



# The ROSE Family

## Missionaries to Kenya, East Africa

“...Immediately we endeavoured to go... assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them.” -Acts 16:10



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Dear friends,

Thank you for your continued prayers for us! We could not do what God has asked us to do without your help. The task that God has given us is tremendous, both in size and quality. We have the Gospel, the life-changing message of hope, forgiveness, and relationship with God to share with people. And, there are so many people here. Each day we are reminded of just how many. It is hard to describe the scene as you drive or walk down the roads—there are people everywhere. Many of these precious souls still do not know salvation through faith in Christ.

As Matthew stood looking down an African footpath, he asked a local man, “Are there any houses down there?” “Kuna watu wengi (There are many people),” came the reply. As he walked down the path, he met another man, Stephen. “Do you know that you will go to be with God in Heaven when you die?” “No, I don’t know,” said Stephen. Another person, a woman, the same day gave a similar answer. Both of these individuals cannot speak good English, and we are not yet speaking fluent Swahili, so Matthew left them with a Swahili Gospel tract. We ask that you please pray that God would reach their hearts through the message of these tracts.

Our Swahili is progressing well, but we desire to become conversational and soon share the Gospel more efficiently with the people around us. There is only the final exam remaining in our Swahili course, but we must continue to use and practice the language daily to become fluent. Please continue to pray with us that God will help us master Swahili.

Our vehicle is still at the body shop. The repairs have just been completed. We are only waiting on our insurance to inspect the vehicle and release it back to us. We have heard that this can take a long time in Kenya and are praying to receive it before the end of March. While waiting on our vehicle, God has given us a good taxi driver who charges reasonable rates. Matthew has developed a friendship with him, and they have had some good spiritual conversations. He says that he is a Christian. We are praying that through our testimony, this man will grow closer to Christ.

God has given us good health since we arrived on the field. Not all missionaries have experienced this blessing, and we do not take it for granted. The girls are enjoying life in Kenya as much as we are. Esther, our middle daughter, celebrated her seventh birthday in January. We praise the Lord that Matthew’s paperwork is now complete for three years! We are now waiting for visas to be issued for Rebecca and the girls. Lord willing, we will soon relocate to the town of Kericho. We appreciate your continued prayers as we begin to search for a suitable house to rent.

### **We praise the Lord for:**

Opportunities to share the Gospel  
A good taxi driver  
Matthew’s finished paperwork

### **We pray for:**

The salvation of the man and woman who received tracts  
Our quick mastery of Swahili language  
God to provide a suitable house to rent in Kericho

Your Missionaries to Kenya,

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