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Dear Supporters and Friends,

Hello from Kisii, Kenya. Thank you for your prayers concerning our travel safety, because we had good flights and service the whole way without any problems. The kids had a great time too. We arrived in Nairobi, got some paperwork done, and got our phones and our e-mail up and running. We also had to replace the 4-wheel-drive transmission on our van; it had gone out before we left for furlough. It ended up costing us \$1,000 more than we expected. But it was the only part available in the country, and we had to replace it immediately. We stayed in Nairobi for about 10 days before coming home to Kisii.

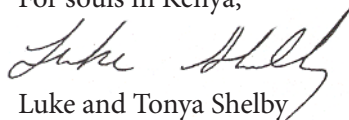
When we picked up our van from the mechanic (who had just changed a tire), we loaded all of our luggage (20+ pieces) on the top and inside of the van. We got about two miles down the road and as we were climbing a steep hill I heard the back axle make a funny noise. I stopped immediately to take a look, and all the lug nuts were missing. When I looked around, I saw three out of six lug nuts in the middle of the road. Anyway, the tire stayed upright, the van did not teeter, I was able to get help from that same mechanic to bring me some more lug nuts, and I made sure they were on TIGHT this time. We praise the Lord for taking care of us, because if it were not for Him our situation could have been MUCH worse. Again thank you for your prayers on our behalf.

When we finally got back home to Kisii we were busy for about a week getting water pumps for our storage tanks and getting water into the house, as well as hooking up some appliances and our generator because of the frequent power outages. We are still getting used to the power outages (at least a portion of each day), water supply from the rain only, and e-mail working only when it wants to. The phone seems to be doing okay for the time being!

I have been able to meet with a few of our pastors that have come to the house to greet us, and we have talked about some of the plans for the ministry. It is exciting to me to see their excitement and their faithfulness to the Lord's ministry. We have had one saved during a preaching service on Sunday. Praise the Lord!

Please pray about our container. It will arrive in Mombasa on December 7, which is about a 14 hour drive from here. We still need \$3,000 in order to clear it and get it home. If you can help us with this urgent need at all please send it to BIMI as soon as possible, so we can get it by the first of the month. We are already thanking the Lord for how He will meet this need!

For souls in Kenya,


Luke and Tonya Shelby

*"To give light to them
that sit in darkness
and in the shadow of
death..." Luke 1:79*