

Genesis Chapter 22

If you are new or visiting; a special warm welcome to you. We trust you enjoy your time with us.

Today we will be having communion. If it is your practice to participate in this we welcome you to join with us in celebrating the Lord's Supper. If this is not your custom or if you are unsure of what to do please just pass the emblems (bread and wine) to the person next to you.

Kalene Mission Hospital

Dear Friends,

Greetings from Kalene. As usual life here is busy and demanding and we are constantly surprised at how long it is since we have written to you. This time we have some good news to report and want to thank those of you who have faithfully prayed for us and for these particular things.

Family

We are pleased and relieved to report that John is back to normal health. After a series of infections in February, we took a week off in early March to Nyangombe mission for a rest. Nyangombe is about 2.5 hours away and has a farm, Bible and Trades training centre in a very quiet location. John spent a lot of time sleeping, resting and "recharging his batteries". The rest of the family did lots of reading and relaxing and enjoyed being together with no schedule to keep to. John's recent illness was a warning to us that we need to do all we can to safeguard his health. This primarily means avoiding malaria. The malaria itself is "OK" but the urological problems and infections

that follow (a reaction that John has which is very rare) are much worse and result in pain and chronic infection which take at least two weeks to settle. It is also important to avoid being overworked. This will include trying to recruit more doctors, nurses and support staff and saying no to the things others can do, to conserve his energy. The children and Rachel are all well. Katherine is growing taller by the day and has asked about getting baptized. This will probably take place in the dry season when the river goes down to a safe level. Matthew and Peter are very keen on riding bikes and playing soccer with their Zambian friends. Peter has taken over Matthew's old bike and is learning to ride a two wheeler. Woodfield children on Kalene Hill.



Opening of Nursing School

The Kalene Nursing School for Zambia Enrolled Nurses opened on 3 March with 28 students. It was a great day to see the students arrive and settle in to their new accommodation after many months of preparation and negotiations. The students have begun well and there is a good atmosphere among the group. Mission staff are responsible for a 7:30am morning devotion on weekdays and are on a roster for a Sunday afternoon church service in the student lounge. John has preached twice so far on a Sunday and tries to attend when he can to play guitar and help with the singing. We still can't believe the great opportunity for evangelism and discipleship this group of students represent.

Please continue to pray for the student's welfare and the smooth running of the school. There are staff houses to be completed as soon as possible, cooking equipment still to be delivered, some staff who wish to come and work, who have not yet been released from their current government employment and finally termites are attacking the library books.

Mission Staff

Many of you will have seen the article we wrote for the March „Treasury“ magazine giving an update of the work at Kalene and the need for more staff. Similar articles have been placed in mission magazines



