



The Smith Family

Missionaries to Kenya East, Africa

July - August 2024

Dear Praying Friends,

The last two months have been some of our busiest yet. In July, our church set up a booth at our local county fair. We had the opportunity to share the gospel with many lost souls. We saw many come to Christ. One of the ladies working the gate came by our booth. She was very interested in what we were doing. A couple weeks later she came by the church, and I was able to lead her to Christ. She has been faithfully attending our services, and has started our discipleship class. Sometimes it is hard to know the difference our evangelistic outreach makes, but when just one person gets saved and their life is forever changed, it makes all the difference.

In August, we had a week long teen work party. It was to help them raise money for teen camp. They cleaned, organized, painted, and the boys even helped dig a trench to try to fix a plumbing issue we have been dealing with. They worked in the morning and afternoon. In the evening, we had activities for them. It was a great opportunity for us to invest in them and make a connection. We had 12 youth that came out each day to help.

At the end of August, we had our very first VBS. The Saturday before, we drove our car through neighborhoods around the church. We had a loud speaker set up inside the car, inviting the kids to come. I know to you it probably seems like we were being a nuisance, but here it is a very common way to promote your church crusades. The first day of VBS we had 64 children in attendance. We finished the last day with 120.

Before I close out this letter, I would like to tell you about a man named Daniel. Daniel came to one of our Sunday morning services about 6 months ago. He was dressed very sloppily and smelled strongly of alcohol. It was obvious that he was hung over. He explained to me, that he just came in to find a place to sit down. He had no real interest in coming to church. I invited him back for the evening service. To my surprise, he actually returned. Afterward, I sat down with him one on one and spent an hour and a half sharing the gospel with him. At the end, he asked, "Can I pray right now?" That evening Daniel put his faith in trust in Christ. Since that day Daniel has never touched alcohol again. He is one of our most faithful church members. He is always happy and makes others laugh. He is such a picture of God's grace of how God can take a broken life and make whole again. I will include some pictures of VBS. Daniel is the one in the zebra costume.

Thank you again for your faithfulness. None of this would be possible without your prayers and sacrificial giving.

In Christ,
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