

"[will sing to the ford as long as [live; [will sing praise to my God while [have being." -Psalm 104:33

Dear friends and supporters,

It has been a beautiful whirlwind of a month. God has done so much, and there are still many things we are trusting Him with. In the middle of it all, the Lord has been encountering me so often with the power of praise and song. God is worthy of our songs - no matter the season!

Every Heart is a Burning Flame

Ministry has begun! Probably not quite in the way that you would think, but God is moving in these small, everyday transitions. This month has been full of growing relationships. As a team, we have begun 1) attending a church every week until we begin to meet as our own church community in January, 2) meeting twice a week to invest in our team and pray over our church plant, and 3) getting to know and invest in our communities. As of this week, we have all found our homes! All three families are living in slightly different areas, although still near to Westlands (our target neighborhood), but we have already seen opportunities to start knowing and loving the neighbors and communities that God has



given to us. As we are settling and continuing to fundraise, we have been surprised by all the everyday divine appointments God has for us, in the form of barbers, taxi drivers, house cleaners, and so many more. As we interact with our neighbors and the beautiful people of Nairobi, my heart is filled with a song I used to listen to:



"ford, [wanna see the world with those eyes.] wanna look into the night and see a million suns rise...every heart is a burning flame."

We want to remember the importance of this type of ministry in everything we do, even though it seems small. Sharing a testimony at a barbershop or hearing about the life of a worn-out lady cleaning is a part of the heart of our Savior. Because people are not just faces we see at the grocery store, they are souls that have the potential to be a million suns rising from the darkness in the light of our precious Jesus. What a privilege to get to love with our whole lives.

Trust and Obey

We are praising God and still praying for provision at the same time. The Lord has provided 90% of our monthly support, and all of our startup costs - which is a huge praise! We are so excited to have many more lovely people join our team over the last months.

This leaves us with 10% left to raise as well as a few thousand additional one-time fund needs. We have been continuing to meet and try to make as many connections as possible to help finish up this last stretch. It has been quite an exercise of faith to continue trusting God in the middle. There have been many times over this past month that



we have felt very stuck in our support raising, and tempted to feel like God has been slow in providing this last amount that



we need to be fully funded to fully dive into ministry. The good news is that, even in the waiting, we are able to have confidence that, although God's timing is different than we would choose, it is always good and He is always faithful. We continue to work hard and invite more people to our support team, but that is ever paired with faith in our trustworthy Father.

"Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey."



- Please pray that the Lord would continue to open doors for our team to invest in our community, in our every day lives and also as we will soon begin intentional evangelism.
- Pray that God would open every door for our financial needs to be met, and that God would bring people that truly want to be a part of the vision God has given us.
- Pray for the sweet people that we have already started to get to know, that Jesus would truly meet them where they are, and that He would use our little family to help draw them close to Him.

Thank you for being a part of our journey, and lifting us up through your prayers and

support. We are overjoyed to invite you into this new journey in Kenya. He is for you always,

Support

- Abby, Bereket, and baby Eellana

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