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Each frustration and difficulty were met by our Beloved who worked in and through each situation, and how could we not but stand in awe of this tender, gracious, Holy God! He encouraged us with his promises, so that we waited in hope to see how he would work everything out.

The month of June has been busy to an extreme, but it has been a joy to see our Lord glorified in the hearts of men, women and children. Three containers now sit in a line at our nearest government primary school: two 20-foot containers and one 40-foot. It has not been easy to get them there, and there have been numerous frustrations and problems, but God made a way. How we praise him!

Where fence posts were mistakenly erected, these have been surveyed and are now rectified, the new dirt road is now passable, and in the fixing of this stretch of road and another one nearer to the school, two small dams have been created (which have already been blessed by our Father with an influx of rainwater). With the rain came the need to help an entrenched lorry carrying materials to the school and Mission, and then came the fixing of this stretch of road (which is still ongoing, as is the making of another small dam).

Aluminium framed toughened glass windows and doors were transported in and fitted into the containers and, at present, Gary is on the final stretch of placing the iron sheets on the roof. The middle container is to be a library, and Gary has already the brackets fitted for the shelves. Painting is ongoing, and it is hoped that soon the store, library and nursery/special needs classroom will be in use. The arrival of these containers brought much excitement for the children, and it has warmed our hearts to see such laughter. Notwithstanding, the digger remains a source of much interest as it works away around

the school, and there was banter with some of the older boys as the new gate provided by the Mission required levelling. There have been so many words of thanks – and all have been directed to the wonderful giver of all these things for us to enjoy. Personally, one of the most memorable moments (and there have been so many) was when a lovely aged Maasai man, being transported on the back of a motorbike, stopped to say with such sincerity, “Thank you” for fixing the road (whilst another load of murrum was being tipped from the trailer). Our hearts ached for this precious soul, and we called out to our Father to grant that he should know him, the one true God, to whom he felt such gratitude for this assistance.

It is our heartfelt prayer that these beautiful people will know our Beloved, who reveals himself so graciously, and will also know the joy, refreshment and amazement that comes as they trust in him – as again, and again, he levels insurmountable mountains. May they know, in a very real and personal way, that God specialises in doing the impossible, and doing those things that no-one else can do.

Thank you for your prayers and seeking God’s Kingdom extended in Maasailand and his will carried out, for his glory.

Prayer points

- Give thanks with us for the wonderful provision of our Lord, and his many blessings to the community, not least his sincere followers, who are sharing his love with others.
- Pray that God’s Holy Spirit will work mightily in the lives of the beautiful Maasai in Olkinyei and beyond, drawing many souls into his Kingdom, and that ultimately our Father will be glorified, honoured and praised.
- Pray for health, strength and safety for all here at the Mission, as much work is being carried out and there is still so very much to do.
- Thank you for praying for the worship leaders, evangelists and Gary as they serve our Father and teach/preach within the services and within the community.
- Remember our children, that they will be drawn even closer to our Beloved and will know and love him more deeply. Thank you.