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Location: **Olkinyei, KENYA**

Mission: **Church planting and Scripture distribution**



"And whatsoever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him." – Colossians 3:17

It hasn't been a 'normal' January ... though what is normal anymore, anyway?!

Our youngest son has been with us at the Mission, as he was unable to return to boarding school for the month of January due to, you have guessed it, Covid-19, as the school delayed its opening. However, we have been deeply grateful to God for this extra time with our son, and are thankful for the good health that our Father has granted us all.

We have also been deeply grateful for the rain which our Father sent during January, which brought the added blessing of cooling those continuously rather hot days. We don't ever remember it being so hot, though we have previously known the landscape to be as dry and desolate. It has been such a blessing for the whole community to receive this rain, and we thank our Lord for his grace and mercy. Despite seeking to provide fodder for their animals, sadly cattle and sheep died due to the somewhat harsh conditions. Understandably, this rain has been a great blessing.

A new entrance and driveway are having to be made at the Mission, and this has involved quite a lot of hard work, which is presently still ongoing. This, alongside helping one of the local primary schools by carrying sand from a local deposit to the school for using in the concreting of staff lodging, fixing pipes and guttering which were damaged by the monkeys and larger wildlife, fixing

vehicles and fitting solar panels, have certainly ensured that January was far from leisurely! How we thank our Lord for the strength he has given and the stamina and endurance to keep going despite the draining heat.

Furthermore, we are so deeply grateful to our Father that wheelchairs, braille books and some other items were able to be supplied to Ole Sankale Special Needs School by the Mission and how we pray that these will be a blessing to all who receive and use them.

Of course, we give thanks to our Father for the building of his Kingdom in this place and the continued opportunities to teach and preach amongst these beautiful Maasai people. It ever remains a joy to our hearts to see their deep gratitude to our Lord, and their ensuing sincere praise and worship.



Photo: Transporting sand

Prayer points

- Give thanks to our Father with us for his provision and help in all the ongoing work of the Mission.
- Rejoice with us at our Lord's provision of much needed rain.
- Pray that God's Holy Spirit will continue to work in the lives of the beautiful Maasai, convicting men, women and children of their sin and their need of Jesus as their Saviour, and blessing those who do know Jesus as their Saviour with a deeper knowledge of him, enabling them to share with others the source of their hope and joy.
- Remember our children in prayer that they will know our Lord in deeper measure and give their lives fully to him.