

The Cormier Family:

Reaching the Deaf of Kenya With The Gospel of Christ

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Dear Pastors, Supporters, and Praying Friends,

In our last prayer letter, we reported that Sunday Schools in Kenya had reopened after being closed for nearly a year. Our joy was short-lived, however, as Kenya went under its second lock down. During the month of April, churches in our area were not able to meet at all. Sunday's messages were preached from our home, and many of our people were able to join by Zoom. I continued to teach the Wednesday night classes from my house, and the students were able to attend those virtually as well. Unfortunately, because of the lock down, the Rift Valley Baptist College had to once again cancel its classes. Some planned "work and learn" days for our youth were also canceled. These are days where the youth from our church will spend half a day working on the farm in order to earn money for school fees and school materials. In the afternoon, they will be served lunch after which they will be taught from the Bible. Now that churches and Sunday Schools have opened back up, we want to implement this plan in the near future.



Wednesday night Homiletics Class in the downstairs classroom of our house.

The first week of April, I came down with COVID-19. Although I did not have a very bad case, I did quarantine away from my family and everyone else for two weeks. During those two weeks, our fellow missionary, Billy Coley, filled the pulpit for me. In order to help him gain experience in both languages, he continues to preach often at Karen Baptist Church, both in the English service as well as in the Swahili service. His wife, Crystal, plays the piano for our services and helps out in Sunday School. We have really enjoyed working alongside the Coleys these past four months.

The farm aspect of our ministry continues to thrive. Behind our house sits a large tract of land, over half an acre, that we cultivate. The farm not only allows me to employ several men from our church, it is a way for us to reach into the homes of people around us. Every week, we sell organic vegetables, eggs from our chicken coop, and baked goods to people in our community. Many of these people live behind locked gates in well-to-do homes, homes that we never would have gained access to without the



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the vegetables that we deliver to them each week. As I see these same people week after week, I am able to build relationships with them. Over Christmas, we gifted our customers with free muffins and cookies as well as Gospel tracts and Gospel Seed booklets. It is our prayer that God will use the Helping Hands Farm as one more avenue to reach people with the Gospel. Our future plan for the farm is that it will one day fully support the students who will be attending the Deaf Bible College.

In April, the Lord graciously allowed us to purchase a van for our family's needs as well as for ministry use. Last year, when our youngest daughter, Stacy, was born, the car that has served us well for the past ten years was no longer big enough for our family to go places together. So for the past six months, we have prayed every night as a family that God would give us the vehicle that He wanted us to have. Last month, He did so, meeting every one of the desires that we had for a vehicle. Thank you so much for your faithful support and for the special love offerings that you have sent our way. You did not know about the need we were praying for, but God did, and He is ever faithful to meet our needs. Thank you for allowing God to use you in our lives.



Because of Him,
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