

# *The Cormier Family: Reaching the Deaf of Kenya With The Gospel of Christ*

November - December 2022

Dear Pastors, Supporters, and Praying Friends,

We hope that each of you had a blessed time during the Christmas season. Thank you for all of the cards and Christmas greetings that you sent our way. It is always a blessing to know that our family is remembered and prayed for as we serve the Lord in Kenya.

In November, my homiletics students were able to be involved in a preacher boys' contest at Bethel Baptist Church on the other side of Nairobi. This was a wonderful opportunity for them to meet other men who desire to serve God and to grow in their preaching abilities. They learned a lot from it.

Midway through the month of November, we were blessed to see a young man give his heart to Christ. God began dealing with Peter's heart after he moved to Karen to attend college. Having visited a Baptist church once with his parents while he was growing up, Peter knew that the Baptists could tell him how to be saved. Seeing our church sign out front, one Sunday when our auditorium was full, Peter stepped into Karen Baptist Church and walked all the way to the front to find a seat. This is very unusual in Kenyan culture, but Peter was determined to find the Lord. After the service, when our song leader greeted him, Peter said without hesitation, "I want to know how to be saved." After Peter was shown the way of salvation, he bowed his head and asked Christ to come into his heart. This really encouraged our family and our church. We praise God that Peter has been faithfully coming to church.

During the first weekend of December, my family and I traveled to Butula to visit Pastor Ephraim and the people of Butula Baptist Church. That Saturday, Jessi taught four sessions to the ladies and teen girls while I taught the men. Outside under the trees, our son, Seth, also taught the children a Bible story. On Sunday, Seth and I once again taught classes after which I preached to the church. As a family, we thoroughly enjoyed our time out west. It is our prayer that God will use His Word to grow those believers in their walk with God.

The day after we got back from Butula, we began a two-week youth conference for the young people of Karen Baptist Church. During the conference, sixteen young people memorized 1,483 verses collectively and were taught a series of lessons on dating and courtship. In those lessons, I stressed the importance of waiting on God to bring the mate that He has planned for their lives. On the last day of the conference, my wife and Billy Coley taught split sessions for the boys and the girls in which they told their love stories, how God did exceeding abundantly because they waited on Him.

In December, we also traveled to Nakuru where my wife taught the mother/daughter banquet at Grace Bible Baptist church. It was a blessing to see many of our friends.

Two weeks after that, we were privileged to host a large youth group from Grace Bible Baptist Church. For two days, sixty-nine young people and thirteen adults camped out in our yard in tents. Each day after enjoying some fun adventures around Nairobi, they returned to hold a church service around the bonfire in our back yard. It was truly a blessing to be able to play a small part in this endeavor.

As always, we want to thank you for your faithful support and prayers for our family. We love and appreciate all of you.

Because of Him,  
B.J. Cormier



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