



Joel's Journal

Lots of Changes! Visiting USA, Fall '04

Dr. Joel's Schedule:

Medical clinic work & praying with patients— daily

Teach Bible-study/play keyboards for music/worship times — wkly

Friend visitation in Hindu/Muslim homes — weekly

Fly to USA — 26th July.
Family reunion — early August

Speaking/sharing at churches in MN, WI, IL, TN, AL, KS, NM — August 'til November 2004.

Return to Tanzania— 29th Nov. 2004, with YWAM mission

Get married to Dr. Deborah!!!! — 05 Feb. 2005

Prayer Requests:

- Boldness in witnessing & true salvation for these needy & lost Muslim & Hindu people here, in Dar
- Growth & unity in both our Asian church-plant & the Swahili church-plant here
- Medical Ministry/clinic-work — wisdom, healing
- HIV-patient ministry
- Musical/worship ministry
- Safety in travels, & good visits with friends, family, & supporters in the USA
- Personal spiritual growth; quiet-times, prayer, purity
- Growing/deeper relationship with Dr. Deborah

Hi there, friends! How are things? I miss you!

Great news! After MUCH prayer & seeking of God's will, I am happy to announce that I asked Dr. Deborah Kalunga to marry me, & she said "Yes!". We hope to get married in Feb. 2005. Wow! God is GOOD!!

My mission, EFCA-IM, requires that all single missionaries resign from the mission when they get married. Then, if you so choose, you can reapply to be a missionary with them, but as a married couple. For several reasons, I believe God is leading me to change & return to Tanzania under another mission, YWAM (Youth With A Mission). YWAM already has a clinic built here, but no medical staff yet. I will be doing mostly the same type of work as I have been with EFCA-IM. After getting the YWAM-clinic licensed & ready to open, I'll work there most days, praying with patients & sharing about the Lord as opportunities arise. I hope to do more village medical-evangelism-outreaches also.

Would you prayerfully consider continuing to support my ministry here, in Tanzania, as I switch missions? Please continue to send your support to EFCA-IM through November. Then, starting in December 2004, please send them to YWAM. I will let you know the new address to send support checks, once I know it.

Hooray! I am headed home on furlough to the USA from 26th July through 29th November 2004. We are planning a BIG family reunion (hopefully, all NINE of us kids will be there!!), then I will be traveling to visit churches in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Tennessee, Alabama, Kansas, & New Mexico. I also plan to go to a medical conference in Orlando, Florida for one week. It will be a busy 4 months, but I DO hope to see YOU while I'm home.

Thanks so much for your faithful prayers & support! God bless you! Love, Joel



Pics: Village medical outreach with Baptist team 01 July 2004.

What has God been teaching me lately?

Trust God. He is completely faithful, trustworthy, loving, holy, & forgiving. He is good! He wants what is BEST for us, & has a great plan for our lives! He will guide us, if we seek Him. He led us to where we are; we can trust Him to help us through the obstacles in our path ahead.

Be a mirror of God's awesome glory. He is the light; reflect Him to others. Be a faithful ambassador. Share the King's message of hope. May people see what I say & do, & glorify God (not me)! He is worthy!!!



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