Dr. Joel & Deborah's Prayer-Newsletter

Medical Missionaries serving in Tanzania with YWAM

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To know God & to make Him known!!!

The front of our home in Mwandege

Is Jesus Your Master?

Dear praying friends & family:

Hi there! Yeah! Deborah came & we had a wonderful 2-wk visit over the Easter holidays. The twins sure love her! Me too! Now, she's back in UK to finish-up her MPH studies.

The medical ministries are going well! God is faithful! We now have someone who's full-time job is to pray with/for all of the mission-clinic-patients. We had 6 people pray to accept Jesus in Nyamisati village in March! We have "morning devotions" for the clinic staff two days a week. We are planning a "retreat" for our clinic staff May 22-23rd. We want the patients to "see Christ" in us. We want to share Jesus with them more.

We are SO THANKFUL for your love & friendship & prayers & support! God bless you BUNCHES! Love ya,

Drs. Joel & Deborah Carpenter

Prayer Requests:

- *Our medical ministries*
- *Our church ministry*
- *Our twins/marriage/family*
- *Our health*
- *Safety/protection*
- *Our co-workers*
- *Our personal spiritual growth*
- *The Twangoma church-plant*
- *Deborah's studies in UK*
- *That many Tanzanians would put their faith in Jesus*

Debi & twins at Easter

Joel & Debi

Pastor Gasper praying for healing

Dr. Joel seeing patients in a mud-&-stick home in Chang'ombe village

What's God been teaching me lately?

Many "Christians" readily admit their sin. They need a Savior. They put their faith in Jesus, who died on the cross to bear the penalty for their sins (John 3:16). But then they stop there. No real change is seen in their lives. True followers of Christ are "new creatures" (2 Corinth. 5:17). They take the next step — to make Jesus their Lord, their Master, the One that they live to please & serve & glorify. (Romans 14:8) Not self. This involves a decision/commitment & a submission of their lives to God's leading & control. They live for God's purposes, looking to bear fruit for His glory, seeking first His Kingdom & His righteousness (Matt. 6:33). As for me & my household, we choose to follow/serve the Lord! (Joshua 24:14-15) Faith without action/deeds is dead (James 2:17,26). Let's show our faith in Jesus by our loving actions, to help & encourage others, for God's glory! Let's be "dead to sin" & "alive to God" (Romans 6:11-14). Let's resolve to not defile our bodies. To be pure. (Daniel 1:8) I am now controlled by the Holy Spirit in me, not by my old sinful nature. (Romans 8:9) I am a "living sacrifice" (Romans 12:1). For me, to live is Christ, to die is gain (Phil. 1:21).

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