



Serving as a medical missionary with YWAM in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

Joel's Journal

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Dr. Joel's Schedule:

Nov: Visit churches in NM & IL

Nov. 28th: Return/fly to Tanzania

Dec: Get settled at YWAM-base

Dec: Start seeing patients again

Praying with patients

Working/sharing with HIV patients

Playing keyboards for church

Joel's Prayer Requests:

- Boldness in witnessing; salvation for the many needy/lost Muslim & Hindu people in Dar.
- Wisdom & compassion in my medical work; God's healing for patients; opportunities to share Jesus with them.
- My musical ministry
- A great marriage with Dr. Deborah
- Perseverance/Patience
- Faithfulness/Purity/Holiness
- Starting ministry in new clinic & with new mission (YWAM)

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Happy Thanksgiving! Merry Christmas!!

We got married!!!

Headed back to Tanzania; Keep praying!

Hi there, friends! May God bless you in BIG ways over these holidays! May you come to know & love Jesus in a deeper, more personal way. He died for your & my sin. He IS the "reason for the season"! Praise God with me for His awesome love to us! God is SO GOOD!!!

I get on the plane & head back to Tanzania on November 28th. I'm excited to get started with "doctoring" at the new YWAM-clinic. Please pray with me for the Lord's healing of these sick & needy (both physically & spiritually) people.

Dr. Deborah came & had a great visit with my family in late September & early October. She had to return to Tanzania to finish her medical internship; She is due to finish in mid-January. If you didn't get to meet her, I sure hope you can next time – when we come home on our first fur-lough together, after 3 years (2007).

Big news!!! My family decided that they could not make it to Tanzania for our wedding in February. Sooooo, Deborah & I decided to have TWO weddings! We got married at the Evangelical Free Church of Naperville, Illinois, on September 26th, 2004! It was a small wedding with mostly just my family there. To see more pictures, go to my new website: www.drjoel.org & click on the "pictures" link. I still can't believe how God has blessed me with such a wonderful wife! He is SO GOOD to me! Thanks for your many prayers!!!

What has God been teaching me lately?

We matter to God. God loves us so much! He wants us to love Him & get to know Him more. Is there a better way to get to know God than by reading His Word? Do we? He wants my worship, my adoration, my giving Him supremacy in my life, my humble acknowledgement that He is my Lord & King. Is Jesus truly my Savior & Lord? Yes, He is my Savior. I believe He died for my sins on the cross. But do I REALLY live for Him? Is He my LORD? Am I living for HIS glory & honor, or my own? Do I deny myself & take up my cross & follow Him? Am I a "living sacrifice", for His glory?! Let's live for Him!!!

I've enjoyed seeing & sharing with so many of you, over the last couple months. I sure love & appreciate you-all! The medical conference in Orlando was great! May God be glorified as I go & share in a few more U.S. churches yet, before I head back to TZ.

Thanks for your prayers! Deborah & I sure need them! God bless you!! Love ya, *Joel*

Many thanks to all of my supporters!!

Look on the attached page to see how to support me financially, after I switch missions to YWAM, starting November 29th, 2004.

