



# THE HESELSCHWERDT FAMILY

MISSIONARIES TO EAST AFRICA

May 2024

Dear Pastors, Friends, and Co-laborers,

Looking back at the month of May, we could say it was a month of firsts! First, we as a group of believers are so thankful and blessed for our supporting churches that gave the money needed for the purchase of the church van! It was very much needed, and after looking with our mechanic, we found the perfect van. It took some time to paint it and change the seating, but we now officially have a church van and have started picking up and dropping off for church on Sundays! Thank you again for those who gave toward this need! The second thing we started this month was special music during the service on Sunday mornings—and I don't mean it was special because I was singing! 😊 Our teens have been practicing, and they sang our very first special on Sunday morning! They did great, and we look forward to them singing many more specials in the near future.

We have been excited to see many first-time visitors in church this month, along with their excitement to want to keep coming to church! Daniel's New Beginners' Class is going strong, and we have seen some spiritual growth in those attending his class! Ali has also started teaching a kids' class, newborn to age ten, during the preaching time of the main service. She has two of the teens helping her in that class, and they seem to be growing spiritually through the experience. After church, we keep moving forward with the teens in their discipleship class. Please pray for us as we try to prepare for a baptism service next month for some of the adults and several of our teenagers who are eligible.

This month, we did not start Pastors' Practical Training Academy, but we did officially finish with our first class. After 18 months of training, the national pastors now have two months to finish their homework; and, Lord willing, we will be having a graduation ceremony in August for the 13 pastors from our class.

Discipleship and training with Daniel, Lewis, and Fredrick are going well. All three are growing in their walk with the Lord, and Daniel has been a huge blessing in the start of Lighthouse Baptist Church! Please pray for us as we try to prepare all the needed paperwork to be registered officially with the government of Kenya. It will be a long process, but we are asking for you to pray with us that by October, we will be officially

Jeffrey

*Moving into a new house closer to the church!*

Hannah

*Getting the church van for the church!*

Esther

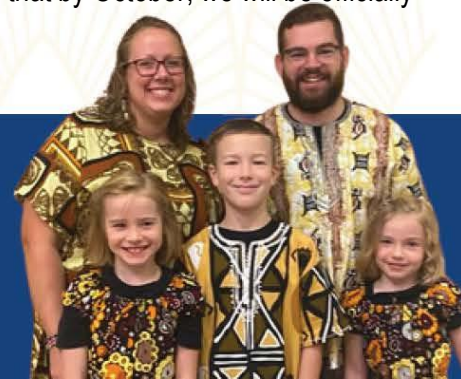
*Having my own room for the first time in our new home!*

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registered and that by November, we will be ready for our Charter Service. We are excited, as my best friend, Pastor Jeff Lynn, and his wife will be coming in November to preach our Charter Service.

Thank you as always for your prayers and support in the Lord's work here in Kenya, East Africa!

Your co-laborers for lost souls across East Africa,

**THE HESELSCHWERDT FAMILY**

Brandon, Ali, Jeffrey, Hannah, and Esther  
Romans 10:14



Ali doing discipleship with two of our ladies who recently got saved and having been coming to church



One of our teens earning her Bible



Asante Sana ("Thank you very much") to all those who gave toward the church van!



Ali's class



Daniel teaching the New Beginners' Class



A full house for church—  
Praise the Lord!