

Dear Friends and Family,

Thank you for praying for us after the tragedy that took the life of my (Dan's) father and eight other relatives. I have never seen God answer prayers in such personal and real ways for me and for our family. (Pictured below are my siblings and my mom, in purple dress, at the funeral service).

God gave us 'peace that surpasses all human understanding' and strength to go through that intense period. God also enabled us and all the bereaved families, villagers, and community leaders to be united in thought and to work together to organize one funeral for all. Also, we found out that our dad had recommitted his life to Jesus Christ within the last year and had become an active church member. We rejoice that he is with God! And so we praise God, that, 'even though we walked through the darkest valley, your (God) rod and your staff have comforted us. Surely goodness and mercy will follow us all the days of our lives, and so we will dwell in the house of the Lord forever' Ps 23:4,6.



Thank you for your prayers, for words of encouragement, and for phone calls which were comforting to us. Thank you so much for financial assistance which helped cover hospital bills, our travel back to Kenya, and expenses for the funeral service which was attended by over 6,000 people (picture below)! God Bless You!

Please continue to pray for endurance for all of us as we continue to grieve. Also pray for comfort and healing for our staff Jennifer (pictured below) the head teacher of Soi Primary School who lost her husband in the accident and injured her head and hands. She has come a long way and with physical therapy and time, we hope she will be back to work soon.



We are back in the US and have extended our stay to early October to enable us to finish up fundraising engagements.

We will send another email with the latest updates from Dala Development Programs' work in Kenya. God bless you and bye.

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