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## November News

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The rains are on the way here in Tanzania. We came back in mid-October to the hottest and driest time of year, no rain since April. We have had a few rain showers but it will really start again in December. Everything seems to just hold on, including the trees and the animals, waiting for the rain.

### Electricity-Woohoo

And guess what, we are finally going to have electricity after 1-1/2 years in our house. Hopefully this next week, wow!

How many of the moms/wives (or dads or even kids) out there would take bucket baths and have only a few hours a day of generator electricity for this long?

My family is great!

We now have a solar hot water system and soon solar electricity.

Man, are we moving up in the world...

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## Summer in Denmark



As always, it was good to go back to Denmark, visit the castle where we got married, seems almost like yesterday. I feel like a king when I go to “our castle”.

We enjoyed visiting friends, sharing in churches as well as a wedding and a fun family reunion. For the girls there was also a music summer camp, Legoland, Tivoli Gardens, and even a game of touch rugby in the middle of Copenhagen! Eating Danish cheese and pastries, drinking lots of tea and having some ‘rødgrød med fløde’. Try to say that three times! Sure tastes good, no matter how you say it!

Naomi got to go to a Christian school for a month and a half, even while the rest of us went to Israel, and she did really well. We are keeping up the good work back here with daily Danish lessons.

The girls have now started up school again since our time in Denmark and Israel. They are also happy to be back to their weekly volleyball games and touch rugby practice.

Our chicken, duck and rabbit population have increased. One turkey was eaten by a wild bush cat and we have two less goats; one given to a friend and another in the freezer. The dogs continue to chase monkeys and we still have an occasional snake sighting, but nothing to be too worried about.

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## Israel / Jerusalem



I was invited to help set up an international conference in Jerusalem, so Acacia, Mikaela and I went for three weeks. Very busy time setting up, speaking, but a great time meeting people from all over the world. Jette joined us about a week later and we enjoyed visiting many of the biblical sites.

The Western Wall (also known as the Wailing Wall) was a highlight for me; often going there to see and experience it. One of my biggest take-aways was the dedication of the religious Jews. So dedicated to the Torah; not just the men but I saw small boys and girls so dedicated. The Jewish family culture is also very strong, their faith is not just an individual thing but a whole extended family practice.

Lots of holy days and special Shabbats, it seemed. During the Feasts of Tabernacles, there was one day where the whole country was shut down, no driving, all streets closed, even the airport was closed. If you drove, you could get stoned. Families came out on the roads and kids rode bikes, skateboards, etc. all over the streets. How great is that!

At the same time, we heard about lots of tension between Israelis and Palestinians. Let us continue to pray for the peace of Jerusalem, but pray also for the Palestinians. They too need a touch from the Holy Spirit!

On the way back from Israel we had a layover in Bulgaria and we had to actually get our passports stamped, (entry and exit) and walk outside to the next terminal, so we consider this going to a new country, right? The only bummer part was that the only gift-shop in the airport was closed. It had a sign ("Back in 15 minutes"). Well, we were not in the airport more than about 15 minutes, so I had no chance of buying a Bulgaria mug to add to our collection...

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**Rachel:**

Most of you know that Rachel left in the beginning of May, long time. She has been in Idaho, working this summer with a ministry called Youth Dynamics. Now she has a part time job with her uncle Jack in Colorado.

There is a Danish ministry that works in Israel and has a volunteer group come out twice a year. Rachel has been accepted to join this team, so she will go in January for four months before returning to Idaho for her last summer outreach.

Go, Rachel, Go!

Rachel will be coming back here for Christmas, very nice, but I can “smell the smoke” already. Mikaela has moved in to Rachel’s room, so there might be a heated discussion on the horizon. Stay tuned....

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## **Maasai, Transformation Challenges.**



In August I went to another conference in Kenya, at least 5,000 people gathered under the big tent and another 5,000 joined us outside. Right at the base of Mt. Kilimanjaro. I generally make a big wooden cross, and then carry it through the audience. "Who will carry the cross throughout Maasai land?" I cry out. Before long someone will come and take the cross, then another and soon a hundred, then a thousand, all wanting to carry the cross.

Fun story - I took a selfie with two older Maasai ladies and showed it to them, they had never seen themselves in a camera; this was their highlight of the conference. They laughed and cheered. I instantly became their favorite....

God is moving among the Maasai but many of their traditions are far from transformed. No time to say much, but one thing I will mention is the issue of female circumcision, or FGM. This takes place about the age of 11-14. Many of these girls are now trying to get away from this practice, with fear they flee their homes. My pastor friend, Mark, has taken in about 50 of these girls. His church was attacked last month, and several of the moms of these girls, who are siding with their daughters, were hurt with knives. This is not a game in their culture and anyone who brings change is a target.

I have located a Lutheran school that is helping with this and would love to send many of these girls to this school. The cost is 700\$ per year per student. If any of you, your business or your church, would like to sponsor any of these girls, please let us know. With the help of some, we have already sent 5 girls to YWAM, but this is only a temporary solution, whereas sending them to a real school for some years will be a great advantage for them long-term.

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**Upcoming Ministry:**

- = Church planting workshop with key African leaders. Last week of November.
- = Day with local pastors to cast vision for our local community. 24<sup>th</sup> Nov
- = Maasai Conference, first week of December, here in Tanzania.
- = First week of January, sports ministry in Burundi. This is a result of the sports discipleship school in Zambia. Amen
- = 4<sup>th</sup> Musketeer ministry for men in Egypt last week of January.
- = 10 days of leadership and church development, including evening conference and crusades in Ethiopia. First week of February.
- = Sports Discipleship school in Zambia, April.
- = Planning and hoping to come to the USA end of April.

**Last time I spoke in Ethiopia it was 10 hours each day for 5 straight days. No one went home, their hunger was so beautiful.**

**This is the key; what do you hunger for?**

**Do we really hunger for the move of God or is it just a Sunday thing?**

**It must be a full life thing. Some of us used to be hungry but there has been a long dry spell. It's time once again!**

**Big Hugs:**

A big hug and thank you to my awesome wife Jette who keeps the home running and teaches the girls while I am out. She is the best..

Thank you to all our wonderful supporters!  
It is just amazing how we are able to do what we  
do, it makes me wonder sometimes.  
God bless you!

From Lyle, Jette and the girls.

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