

od is so awesome! When we moved to our Unew compound, so much was needed to really get settled. We had a four burner camping stove, but I really wanted an oven for Brooke. We had no storage tank for water (which is necessary as often water is not flowing in the house). We needed a bed, wardrobes, and other things. We also needed to finish the office building which was only a cement block wall structure when we arrived. Our landlord had promised to finish the office building but then said he was out of our three year advance rent payment and didn't have any money to finish. We believed God would come through as He always does; but, though our patience had grown in learning to wait on the Lord, we still had those human feelings of foreboding. Yet, within about two weeks, two individuals sent us large donations! One man we have never met. This money allowed us to buy an oven, bed, wardrobes, water tank, and finish the office building enough to work out of. God never fails!

## SHORT FURLOUGH

We are planning to return to the States for about six months, to get some needed medical care for Brooke, starting in April of 2014. Should any church wish for us to visit please send us an email at Gems4Christ@ymail. com. *Please pray with us that God would:* 

- Send someone to watch over our work while we are gone.
- Lead us to the right personnel for medical care while in the States.
- Help us to be a blessing as we travel and preach.



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#### NOV/DEC 2014 Newsletter

the Williams FAMILY

#### Christmas Crusade

Last year we embarked on our first ever Christmas Crusade. We took our family, another American volunteer, Abraham (our translator), and passed out soap, salt, candy, and gave the gospel. As a result of this first Crusade we started

a church. This year we hope to expand to two villages on December 12-13. God has already done some amazing things and for the follow reasons we are excited about this year:

First, from our report of last year's Crusade, God touched the hearts of a couple of families who began saving their change to help buy soap, salt and candy for this year. What a blessing!

 $S^{\text{econd, the villages we plan to}}_{\text{visit are the two villages on either}}$ 

side of our church. Bonso is a ten to fifteen minute walk through the bush, while Detieso is a twenty to thirty minute walk down a road that is sometimes drivable and sometimes not. We have people attending our church from these villages already and hope to use the next Crusade to lift up Jesus, so He can draw "all men".

Third, our church has started giving so they too can have a part in bringing the gospel to these other villages. Our first two "others" offerings equaled enough to buy about 15 bars of soap. This from people who live in mud huts with tin roofs, cook over wood fires, etc. How precious in the sight of God!

Fourth, we have invited Dr. Bob Hooker from Faith and Family Ministries (www.hookpublications.com) to be our guest speaker at the Crusade. Should anyone want to join us we would love to have you come! We have a decent hotel nearby you can stay in. You could come a few days early and observe our first Prayer Camp which will also feature Dr. Bob Hooker, and you could have one of the best Christmas Seasons you've ever had. That is if you don't get sick! :)

### Jon's Testimony

I invited Jon Baayim to church the day after our V.O.M. (Village Open Air Meeting) at the end of February and realized he was not a church goer when the whole house laughed at him when he said he would come. Later, when I sat and talked with Jon Baayim and questioned him about his eternal destiny, he told me, "I will definitely go to heaven". When I asked him, "Why?" he responded," I was in darkness but I have found the light!" When I questioned him further he explained that

when he heard the gospel preached at the Crusade preceding our opening Sunday service he understood that he was in darkness (dead in his trespasses and sins) and needed the Light (Christ) That

trespasses and sins) and needed the Light (Christ). That night at the V.O.M. he put his faith in Jesus Christ. Jon has continued to grow and was instrumental in helping us set up another V.O.M. in a neighboring village which resulted in four new adults coming to church. Recently, we met Jon's mother who, we were told, is well over one hundred years old. She hobbled up to Abraham, Jon, and I and kept thanking us over and over. She finally explained why she was so thankful. She said, "I am Jon Baayim's mother. It was through you that Jon found God. He is a different man now than he used to be. Thank you for helping Jon find God." How thrilling to hear that Jon not only found the Light and was sharing it, but has also begun to also as a child of the Light. (Ephesians 5:8)

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# **PRAYER CAMP 2014**

We will be hosting a prayer camp for pastors of like faith on December 10-12. This meeting will directly precede our Christmas Crusade! Our guest speaker scheduled is Dr. Bob Hooker of Faith and Family Ministries. It was his example, in 2006, of thirty days of fasting that led me to begin my first thirty day fast which started the journey that has brought me to where I am today. The whole purpose of this Prayer Camp will be to give the pastors an opportunity to get away for three days, be encouraged, uplifted, and spend time alone with God getting His direction for the upcoming new year. Dr. Hooker will teach us what God has done in his life and what He can do in ours.

Lord willing, we will be hosting the meeting at Paradise Resort which is located on the same lake as our church. We are so looking forward to it!

Once again should you want to join us, please email me at Gems4Christ@ymail.com



