



Christmas family photo



Elias loves his giraffe

## VinceAndJoy

Journey with Us.

### 'Tis the Season

'Tis the Season to be jolly and joyous

December came around this year providing a much needed change of pace. As we anticipated the joyous time of celebrating the birth of Jesus, we took a break from work, along with the rest of the Ugandan society, and enjoyed the fellowship of many different people. This holiday season we were definitely jolly and joyous as

we had a truly international time of celebration. Not everyone gets to celebrate with Kenyans, Ugandans, Americans, Brits, Lebanese, Germans, and a few other countries as well.

Pretty much every week seemed to offer some type of festivity. We had a Christmas extravaganza with the other expatriates in our community. The missionary kids put on a great rendition of the nativity with music and all. We also enjoyed musical and dramatic

presentations from various different participants. The evening was quite fun. We also enjoyed a good old fashion cook out on Christmas Eve with the expatriate community.

Our next celebration was with the children at the children's home in Kenya that we work with. It was a special experience to spend that time with the kids. They also put on a rendition of the nativity in Swahili for us and also sang some beautiful songs.

### New Address

Please note we now have a new mailing address in the US.

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### Communication Update

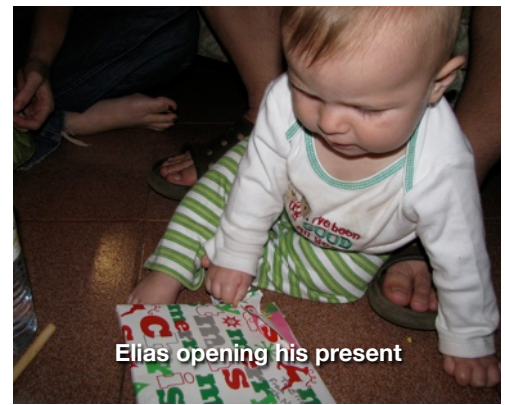
A celebration is not a celebration without food here. People will gather together, talk, laugh, visit all day, but if the host bids the visitors farewell without serving a proper feast, something must be wrong. As we celebrated with our friends this year, we laughed because not only is food served, but celebrations are a time to go all out. Most of the plates that passed by were heaped so full it was a bit amazing that the food didn't topple to the ground. Hey, the celebration was a success!

We ate a feast, laughed as the children competed against staff in relay races, and took the children into town where they each were able to buy their very own set of new clothes. The joy in the faces of everyone of them was well worth it. They have very little, but this Christmas was special for them.

We also celebrated Christmas with our Ugandan friends at our annual Staff Christmas party, and on Christmas day. The Staff party was fun, because before the event we had all the staff "spy" on each other and report on anyone doing their job above and beyond. "Reports" were written out, and each of the staff members was acknowledged and appreciated in front of everyone. It was very fun to see the workers as they were mentioned. Many of them had just been doing their jobs and did not realize they were being watched.

The last group to celebrate the season with was our team. We got together before Christmas to watch the Muppets Christmas Carol on the projector at our house. Then on Christmas day we gathered together, exchanged gifts, watched the kids open their stockings, and ate a wonderful meal (fajitas with all the fixings.)

As the season draws to a close, we are well rested, full of fun and food, and ready to begin the next year strong. Hope you all had a very Merry Christmas as well.■



## Prayer Points

- On January 17-18, a team from the National Council of Higher Education will be coming to Mbale to make an inspection of our facilities to see if they are adequate for starting LivingStone International University. If we pass, the university will start in August.
- We look forward to welcoming back Shawn and Linda, teammates who have been on furlough for the last six months. Pray that their last few days with Stateside friends and family will be good and that they can transition easily to life in Uganda again.
- Pray for us as we need to make a decision about our vehicle situation by the beginning of February. We currently have been borrowing a vehicle, but that will not longer be a possibility, so we are praying that funds will come in for us to be able to buy our own.
- As the new year begins, pray that we can get focus for our ministries and be able to see projects out to completion.
- Pray for us as we make some decisions about our furlough plans this year.

*If you would like to join our Prayer Partners and receive weekly updates through email please contact us to let us know by email [vinceandjoy@gmail.com](mailto:vinceandjoy@gmail.com).*

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## The Financial Report **DEC**

Regular Income	\$6,133.60
Vehicle Income	\$0.00
<b>INCOME TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,133.60</b>

### EXPENSES

#100 - Salary	\$765.00
#110 - Medical Insurance	\$175.00
#120 - Life Insurance	\$20.63
#121 - Investment Life	\$34.17
#130 - Social Security	\$320.84
#141 - IRA	\$125.00
#150 - Housing Allowance	\$500.00
#160 - Utilities	\$350.00
#230 - Team Building	\$170.00
#450 - Compassion	\$50.00
#480 - Translation Work	\$220.00
#490 - Co-Workers	\$250.00
#600 - Supplies Field	\$20.00
#660 - Phones	\$75.00
#700 - For More Support	\$19.38
#730 - Report to Supporters	\$100.00
#800 - Transportation	\$200.00
#806 - Vehicle Maintenance	\$75.00
#860 - Airfare*	\$100.00
#880 - Home Fund*	\$150.00
Vehicle Purchase*	\$0.00
<b>EXPENSES TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,720.02</b>

### SUMMARY

Carry Over from Last Month	<b>-\$714.69</b>
Income Total	\$6,133.60
Expenses Total	\$3,720.02
<b>REMAINING BALANCE</b>	<b>\$1,698.89</b>

*\*These funds are set aside for the future*