

Sent: Sunday, October 28, 2007 4:31:11 AM  
Subject: Update from Africa  
Hey Everyone,

We are still here and doing fine!!! It is Sunday morning about 11:00am. This is the first access we have had to a computer. We are in an internet cafe just about a mile from where we are staying. We should be able to come here every few days for the next week so feel free to reply. We should be able to get it.

Our 40/40 experience has been good but challenging. The seminary where we are staying is kind of like staying at an older church camp in the states. We have a room that is about 18 ft by 15 ft with bunk beds for each of us. Samantha and I have the top and Becky and Trey have the bottom. We are all sleeping very well and the kids are eating very well which is a huge answer to prayer. We go to bed early, around 8:00 or 8:30 because there is not much else to do. The weather was very hot for the first couple of days but it has been much cooler since then.

We have breakfast every morning around 7:00 am then we meet in small groups for prayer and worship, then we have been going out into Lusaka in teams of three (2 missionaries and 1 Zambian helper) Becky and I are on different teams. We get around Lusaka on the public busses which are 12 - 15 passenger vans that carry 20-25 people. It is pretty crowded. No ... it is very crowded!!!

Our experiences out in the community have been good but often hard. You see lots of hurting people, lots of poverty and despair, but you also see God working everywhere. Yesterday my partner and I visited with two people (a man and a woman) in a very poverty stricken compound. We visited with them seperately. The purpose was just to practice communicating with and greeting Africans but as we visited both said the had never accepted Christ and they wanted to pray to receive Him. That was very exciting. The lady said that she had a dream the night before that 3 men were praying for her and would come to visit her ... pretty cool, huh.

As far as other adventures we had our first African medical experience ... and no it wasn't Trey. Miss Samantha went to a water park with the kids at school. They had a great time but toward the end of the day she jumped in a pool and hit her shin on a concrete step that was kind of hard to see. She got a nice gash in her shin that took four stitches to repair. We went to a very nice clinic and a British doctor named Dr. Bush sewed her up. He did a great job and it is healing very quickly!!! It cost 310,000 kwacha which is the Zambian currency. That's about \$75.00. Of course the IMB pays for all of our medical expenses.

Well that is about all I have time for. There is plenty more to say. We could probably write a book already. We look forward to hearing from all of you and we look forward to getting our communications established where we can visit more regularly after we finish with 40/40.

Love,

Truman, Becky, Samantha, and Trey