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Dear Financial Supporters,

We are deeply grateful for your participation in our journey over the last four years since joining the WorldVenture team in Rwanda. Your financial partnership has made our ministry possible. And, as we hear stories of rising prices in the United States, we are humbled by your sacrificial and faithful giving.

Because of your tangible investment in our ministry, we think it is important to write to you to clarify our plans for our Home Assignment in the United States (August 2008 to July 2009). Though we have briefly described our goals for Home Assignment in our most recent newsletter, we want to answer some general questions that you might have regarding those plans.

1. Is Home Assignment a vacation?

Many of our Rwandan friends assume that going back to the USA is a vacation. Though ideally we will spend some time on vacation, Home Assignment in itself is not a break from ministry, but rather a temporary change in ministry responsibilities. It is an important time to reconnect with churches, supporters, family, friends and our home culture.

2. Are we intending to go back to Rwanda?

YES! We are excited about the next few years of ministry in Rwanda, thinking that they will be some of the most strategic that we'll ever have. After returning to Rwanda in 2009, our plan is to continue teaching in NCM's Pastoral Training School, to begin the first non-denominational English speaking Bible College in Rwanda, and to build the largest theological library in Rwanda.

3. Do we still need monthly support?

We need your faithfulness in giving just as much now as ever. Your support will sustain us during this time of fulfilling different responsibilities and will make it possible for us to return to Rwanda within a year. If we are under-funded, our return will be significantly delayed.

4. What is the point of Home Assignment?

According to WorldVenture (our sending agency), Home Assignment has at least four strategic purposes: (1) to cultivate partnership with our ministry support team (including prayer and financial

supporters); (2) to minister to partner churches; (3) to pursue personal and professional growth opportunities; (4) to meaningfully connect with WorldVenture (including medical exams, psychological testing, board and office interviews, and participation in the mission's annual conference).

Additionally, we have a few other goals for our time in the USA: (1) to reintroduce our children to their home culture and help them start to understand the implications of being Americans raised in Rwanda; (2) to pursue financial, material and personnel needs for our local ministry in Rwanda; (3) to learn French in order to be integrally involved in our children's education in the coming years; (4) to connect with family and friends, most of whom we haven't seen in four years.

5. Will we get a chance to see you?

We will make every effort to visit as many financial supporters as possible. But, we are sure that there are some that we will miss, as we have regular supporters located in twenty states and three countries!

6. How can you pray for us during this transition?

We covet your prayers during this time of transition regarding the following issues:

- (1) *Please pray for our children that they would enjoy this season of new experiences and would appreciate both their American heritage and their unique Rwandan upbringing.*
- (2) *Please pray for wisdom in finding a French language program that will most efficiently serve our needs. There are different options that we are currently exploring – from living in Quebec for a few months to studying in a formal setting in downtown Chicago.*
- (3) *Please pray for New Creation Ministries, that lives would be changed and that churches in Rwanda would indeed function as the Body of Christ at this critical time in the history of the country.*

As we mentioned above, we hope to have the opportunity to give a first-hand ministry report to as many ministry partners as possible. In the meantime, if you have other questions, please contact us via email: TimAndJessica@worldventure.net.

Thanking God to be Serving Together with You,



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