



BRUBAKERS PRAYER UPDATE

NEW CREATION MINISTRIES – KIGALI, RWANDA

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DEAR PRAYING FRIENDS –

Where have we been since we wrote last? Illinois, Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Michigan, Wisconsin, Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania – in four weeks. Thanks for your sustaining prayers. We are having a great time visiting with friends and partners of our ministry in Rwanda.

NOTES OF PRAISE –

- **Home Assignment Trips:** Our kids have done remarkably well during our crazy trips around the country. We are very thankful that the Lord has consistently provided us with great families to host us – folks who have been extremely accommodating to us and particularly hospitable to our children. (Not everyone could have patience with three small children living out of suitcases!)
- **NCM Construction:** A few weeks ago, a team of engineers visited our facilities in Kigali to give us advice regarding the future development of unused parts of NCM's land. There is quite a bit that we want to do with the land in preparation for future programs. They left us with many new ideas. All that is left is for us to raise funds to build!
- **Prayer Supporters:** Over the last few weeks we've added over forty addresses to our prayer-update distribution list. We are confident that the Lord is working through the prayers of His people. So, we are excited about the participation of these new prayer-partners. Please let us know how we can be praying for you, as well.



We rarely get a decent picture of ourselves! This photo was taken in Portland, Maine, while visiting with First Baptist Church.

ITEMS FOR PRAYER –

- **Eastern Congo:** One of the worst humanitarian situations in modern history is occurring in Eastern Congo (along the border of Rwanda). There has been particular unrest in the last few weeks as fighting between rebel troops and government soldiers has displaced almost a million people (not to mention six million dead since the fighting began in 1995 after the Rwandan genocide). The conflict has significance to the Rwandan people as the hostilities are related to the tribes within Rwanda, and Rwanda is being internationally accused of sponsoring and supplying the rebel militias with weapons and funds. (Obviously Rwanda denies the allegations.) Please pray for peace, resolution between opposing leaders, and safety for millions of innocent victims.
- **Home Assignment Trips:** We have just begun a six week trip that will take us to both coasts of the country. We are currently in Altoona, PA, visiting with Calvary Baptist Church (November 8-9). We will be with

Abundant Life Community Church in Port Murray, NJ, from November 14-20. On Sunday, November 22, we will be running in the Philadelphia Marathon. On Monday, November 23, we will be speaking about Rwanda all day to students at Tyrone Area High School in central PA. We will be attending a family reunion near Pittsburgh over Thanksgiving. We will be with Grace Community Church in Auburn, Washington, November 29 to December 1. December 2 to 9 we will be visiting Wasilla Bible Church in Wasilla, Alaska. December 10 to 16 we will be visiting Lazy Mountain Bible Church in Palmer, Alaska. From Alaska, Jessica and the children will fly to Chicago. Tim will continue to Pittsburgh, where he will get our car and drive it back to Chicago.

- **NCM Supporters:** As we visit churches around the USA, we are raising funds to sponsor pastors and church leaders who want to study at New Creation Ministries. We are asking people to sponsor a student at NCM for fifty dollars per month (six hundred dollars per year). We're calling it "The 600 Club." We'd love to return to Rwanda next year with at least forty people committed to giving fifty dollars per month for at least one year. Please pray for this goal to be met.
- **Degree Level Christian Leadership School:** NCM is going to begin Rwanda's first non-denominational English speaking Bible college. And, it seems that this vision has come at the right time, as Rwanda's parliament voted a few weeks ago to make English the official language of instruction within Rwandan schools. NCM's degree level program will be equipping the next generation of top level leaders for Rwanda's churches. But, there are many details for which we solicit your prayers – hiring of staff, collection of library materials, establishing an English-literacy program, raising funds, recruiting expatriate teachers, building facilities, and refining the vision.
- **Transitional Stress:** Please continue to pray for our family during this season of visiting many places and meeting with many people. Though all of us (our kids included) enjoy the new and varied experiences, we all realize that "home" is in Rwanda. Martin often prays about going home to Rwanda and still feels very disconnected from America. (He says he likes Rwanda more than America because the mud is better!)

OCTOBER HIGHLIGHT –

A flood of memories came rushing through my mind as I (Tim) watched my children play with the kids of one of my best childhood friends. When we visited a partner church in Manchester, Connecticut, our family stayed with Harold and Jessica Thoma. Harold has been one of my closest friends since we were about five years old. So, it was a thrill to see our kids (now at about the same age we were when we forged our friendship) become instant friends with each other. Jumping in piles of leaves, hiking around on some of the same trails we used as kids, creating spears out of sticks, racing matchbox cars, and wrestling – these are all things which Harold and I did together as kids. It was such a gift to see our kids doing those things together as we sat back and watched.



Tim, Harold & kids in Hebron, Connecticut

Thanks for Praying,

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