



## DAN, SARAH, AND EZRA EBERLE

spring 2019

### Dedication & Celebration Bible Translation Consultants

A very special event happened on April 6th! After many years of training, nine Deaf and six hearing DOOR staff became linguistic consultants and translation consultants for sign languages, respectively. One of the greatest needs in sign language Bible translation is the need for consultants. These new consultants are a huge praise and answer to many prayers.



#### Luka

One of these newly certified consultants is Luka Lengewa. Last summer, we asked you

“ Please pray for Luka and his family as he continues to battle cancer. ”

to pray for him and his family as he was undergoing treatment for esophageal cancer.

Since that time, he was able to go to India and receive medical treatment. God has blessed this family in many ways. Luka and his wife, Grace, recently added another beautiful baby to their family of all boys. Please keep praying for them as he continues to undergo treatment in Kenya.

### Survey Workshop

On February 4th we began a Survey Workshop on the following topics:

- overview of why we need survey
- overview of the tools we use in surveying sign languages
- sociolinguistics of Deaf communities
- budgeting and trip planning
- Survey Practicum
- report writing and presentation

We will complete this Survey Workshop on April 26th.



We did a ropes course as a team building activity.

## What's Next for Us?

### Madagascar Survey

We will be traveling to Madagascar to assist in a sociolinguistic survey of the Deaf community there. We will have three Deaf colleagues going with us, two of which have been training with us from the beginning of February.

### Back to the US!

Once we complete our fieldwork in Madagascar, we will return to Kenya for a short time before returning to the US for a much needed rest. **Please pray for us as we return home.** It's only been a few months since we left, but we've been fully immersed in Kenyan culture and Deaf cultures from all over the world. **Ezra loves the freedom of living on campus and the community that comes with it.** Returning to the US will be an adjustment for all of us.



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Recently we had an opportunity to go on a day safari in the Nairobi National Park. We saw so many beautiful animals that God created, and were in awe of how amazing they are in their natural habitat. That adventure made us think about God creating humans in His own image and how beautiful that is. **We are happy to be here in this land where God is using Deaf people to reach other Deaf people for Christ in their heart language!**

## The Home Front

### Vacation Bible School

Sarah has been teaching/helping part-time with the survey workshop while also spending time with the kids on campus. She has been doing a reading time nearly every day for around 30 minutes each time. **She did a small VBS style camp for the kids on campus the last week of April. After taking several weeks to adjust to life here, Ezra loves going outside and playing with all the kids. He has made many friends.**



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