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Kenya, January 2017

Dear family and friends,

We wish you a blessed happy New Year. We - that means Dani's parents: Christine and Lothar Wolff. We want to use this prayerletter to describe our impressions to you from our visit at Kenya about Dani's and Robert's every day life:

On the 21st of December 2016 we travelled to Kenya to spend Christmas together with Dani. Robert planned to see his family in Tanzania for Christmas like usual. Therefore we wanted to spend the Christmas season with Dani to give her fellowship.

We arrived on the 22nd of December 2016 in the afternoon at Nairobi International Airport, Nairobi is the capital of Kenya. Shortly before the landing – still inside the airplane – we got shocked while reading the entry requirements for Kenya: "no food can be imported"... and our suitcases were filled with cheese, sausages and sweets... We were wondering because when we sent parcels to Dani we are always sending bacon, sausages and sweeties, too... What should we do now?

We prayed and prayed again, because we took all the food with us to make Dani enjoying Christmas... In the airport hall we saw that people on the left and on the right were opening their suitcases. Now it was us to pass the customs. A friendly officer asked us: "Why are you travelling to Kenya over Christmas?" We told him that our daughter is living at Nakuru and that she is working as a missionary with Scripture Union Kenya. He smiled at us and just said: "You may pass!" We are allowed to pass without opening our suitcases!!! All Glory to God!!!

They did not take all those nice stuff which Dani was not able to eat in the last two years being in Kenya!!! It was amazing!!! God is good and he is listening to our prayers!!! Praise him!!!

Finally we were leaving the airport and we could hug Dani after two years the first time!!! She has organized a Christian taxi driver to pick us with her car. After passing the jam at Nairobi, the driver explained us about the Rift Valley. Next to Lake Naivasha we bought two very cheap fish, around 40 cm each.

We took almost four hours to reach the home of Dani and Robert at 9:30 p.m. Dani went inside first to lock the dogs who were protecting the compound, so that we were able to get out from the car safely.

**Posterity
will serve him;
future generations
will be told
about the Lord.**

Psalm 22: 30

**(This verse
we got on our
first day at Kenya.)**



*Christmas with Dani
at Kenya*



*Dani's manager and a special
German decoration for Advent*



Dani's Christmas Dekoration



A star as a lamp holder

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The house was smelling nicely because of the German bread Dani made by herself and it was wonderfully decorated with many lights, an artificial Christmas Tree – almost 1,20 m – and a manger and lots of other stuff... The two big cats “Tiger and Cheeta” welcomed us and started to breastfeed their eight kitties...

On the next morning we were amazed to see the wonderful garden with lots of vegetables like cauliflower, carrots, spinach, potatoes etc. In front of the house there are two big trees giving us shadow. The avocados were not yet ripe, but the orange tree was full of oranges and also the lemon tree. All around the compound you can see banana trees.

One of Dani's neighbour is called Nancy. Her husband had lost his job and she is working for Dani in the garden since almost two years now. She is also assisting Dani by slaughtering the chicken and the rabbits, and by cleaning the house. She is a wonderful lady and we are happy that she is able to assist Dani in so many ways.

Also two of her sons who have finished their Secondary School just now, are earning some pocket money by helping Dani in the garden during their holiday by cuttings trees and many others things... So Dani got an opportunity to assist an entire family...

Also there is a vet – a young man – who is giving Dani a lot of useful hints how to keep the animals. For the hints Dani is not paying anything and his treatments are cheaper because Dani is putting also his eggs into the incubator. So people assist each other in Africa...

Sometimes we as parents fear for Dani's safety in Kenya. One day a friendly police officer came to visit us and he explained that the home place of Dani and Robert is really safe. A few years ago the area was not very safe. Then they built a police station a few hundreds of meters far from Kadala's home and shot some thieves. Now everybody fears the action of the police. The policeman told us that every evening they are patrolling the entire area. Therefore now the area is total safe... As a Christmas gift Dani gave him a puppy and four kitties for his farm and some German Christmas cookies which she made herself.

Most of the Kenyans are celebrating Christmas on the First Christmas Day and not on the Christmas Eve like we Europeans do. Therefore we invited Nancy, two of her sons, her daughter and her granddaughter to celebrate Christmas with us.

The day before, we went to the market to buy some small gifts: The market... You cannot image ... a large crowd... pushing and pushing each others...

Crossing the road next to the market... cars over cars... no one giving way for you... no one follows any rules... chaotic... I (Christine) feared a lot. I was holding Dani's hand hoping that no one is driving into us...



Dani's dogs



8 sweet, tiny kitties



Dani's selfmade puppets



Nancy repairing the pipes in the garden



Dani's Bananas



Dani's Oranges



Dani's Broiler – 7 kg each !!!

Suddenly someone opened the first zipper at Dani's backpack. But nothing was inside... Dani knows how to take care that nothing gets stolen... We were so happy to be safe back home!!!

But in town we visited also the Christian bookshop for Scripture Union at Nakuru. We meet Dani's colleague Joseph and his fiancée Silvia and all bookshop staff. We were amazed about all the Christian literature. And we found also some books which we have in a German edition by ourselves.

In Nakuru West Mall there was the only Christmas decoration we found in the entire town: a large artificial Christmas tree... That was the only Christmas decoration we saw in the entire Kenya!!! Amazing... In Germany we have Christmas trees at any corner and stars and lights everywhere on the roads. And here was almost nothing. What a strange world!!!

On Christmas Eve we ate very nice and delicious food:

Dani was making two of her self slaughtered rabbits, a large fish and also self slaughtered broilers... and chapattis... For the first time in my life I (Christine) was cutting the chips... and we ate a fruit salad with all those nice African fruits like pawpaw, mangos, passion fruits, bananas... with ice cream... It was so nice tasty!!! Also the Kenyan family enjoyed the food and they were allowed to carry the entire leftovers home... After the food Nancy went straight to the kitchen by herself to clean the dishes, the family went home after everything was tidied up again.

On the First Christmas Day we went to a church. The pastor spoke about Jesus coming and what it meant for us and the choir, the youth, the children and the entire church sung Christmas Carols. It was nice. But very strange for us to celebrate Christmas with a outside temperature from 25 °C on 2000 m above sea level... while in Germany we have at Christmas minus temperatures, snow... and we live around 350 m above sea level...

After Christmas we made a short trip to Kapkuikui, the place where Dani and Robert lived and worked for two years. We went to the spare pool with its hot water spring. At the pool we met another German family – missionaries from Eldoret.

Also Nancy, her two teenager sons and her granddaughter went with us. 7 people in one car!!! 5 people behind!!! Smashed together, in a car for a three hours drive!!! That is normal here at Kenya... Dani carried food and beverages for all of us: Chicken wings, meat balls, pancake etc... As a Christmas gift Dani gave two frozen broilers to this mission family... It was a fantastic meeting and we became close friends...

The canopy of the car was empty. Therefore on the way home we bought six sacks of charcoal for Nancy. The charcoal in Bogoria is so cheap than Nancy can earn 700 KES (= 7 €) more by selling them at Nakuru... Also we bought 30 paw paws each for 30 KES (= 30 cents) for selling in Nakuru... On the next day the two boys cleaned the car...



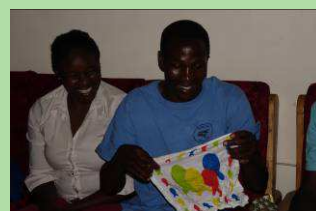
Some little rabbit babies



At the Nakuru Bookshop of Scripture Union Kenya



Our Christmas Party



Opening gifts



*Family Martens
Dani's friends from Eldoret*



*Nancy, grand daughter and Dani
while swimming*



Lothar repairing the lights

For us as parents it was so amazing to see the happiness and love of the children and adults to welcome Dani again at Kapkuikui after she was working there for two years...

Lothar tried to help Dani as much as possible:

The lights in the car were fixed upside down... the lights were also in the wrong position... screws were loose... Lothar was trying to improve the safety of the car as much as possible. Also he fixed the cover of the poultry house, improved the rabbit house and fixed some lights and sockets in the house. Together with Nancy's son Patrick he repaired the fence, too. He repaired as much things as possible...

Another friend of Dani – an American pastor – was inviting us for supper to a hotel under American leadership... But we preferred to eat at Dani's place... Dani is filtering the water twice: once before it enters the house and she is also a water filter for drinking water...

Also we met other friends of Dani – a South African missionary couple – Lydia and Wilco who are also working among Kenyan children. Lydia is a wonderful lady and Dani is able to pray together with her...

On our last evening we had an amazing meeting with the directors from „Lighthouse Academy“. „Lighthouse Academy“ has a Nursery, a Primary and a Secondary School – day and boarding. The husband was the former chairman of Scripture Union Nakuru. Dani has a good relationship to this couple...

On the 3rd of January 2017 we went back to Nairobi. But we used the day to visit the National office of Scripture Union Kenya and to meet Dani's boss – another Nancy ☺ - and her colleagues. Together with Nancy we went for a nice lunch. That was the end of our journey... on the same evening we went back to Germany...

For us it was not easy to say bye to each other...
We all had tears in our eyes...

We as Dani's parents want to thank your for all your prayers and your financial support for our daughter and also our son in law.

But because of a financial change in Germany in the beginning of 2016 Dani needs more support for her salary, insurances etc... That is very challenging... She still has a very large lack of support... Please pray that people may become willing to support our daughter regularly that she is able to continue her ministry in Kenya. Thank you.

May God bless all of you,
Yours

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