

From Kansanga Kampala Uganda

September's Newsletter

Getting Arrested

So the day before we moved to Kansanga, I was driving to pick the boy's up from school. During my drive I was pulled over and Arrested for not having good tires on the vehicle. At first he tried to get me for talking on the phone while driving and that is a 700 USD fine then I told him that I was not talking on the phone I was listening to the radio on the phone because the car radio did not get that station so then he dropped that charge then he charged me for not having my driving permit with me because in Uganda you always have to have it with you because they do not have a filing system like in the States or Europe. The I explained that I

was moving tomorrow and I was in a hurry and forgot my bag so that it was in. So he dropped that charge. Then his partner charged for not have power steering in the car, I told them that I do then they responded with a real man does not need 2 hands on the steering wheel to drive. Then I told them that how we are told to do it in school 9 and 3 so that was dropped. So then he looked at my tires and told me that I have worn out tires I am go to arrest you for bad tires, I said the tires aren't the best I agree but they're still safe to drive on. So on 4 charges I got 3 dropped and the 4th charge I could not get out of so the policeman said you are under arrest lets go to

the police station. So we went to the police station and there I sat for 40 minutes. Until I paid the bribe to leave. I almost talked my way out of it without paying but I was really late to pick the boys up. So I paid the 7 dollar bribe and left.

Then I was talking to people at bible study about it and they reminded me about school, starting. So let me explain here in Uganda when it is Christmas and whenever kids are going back to school from a holiday, which is every 3 month the police pull everyone over for bribes so they can paid their children's school fees. So the money went to paid for some kids education.

School

The boys are in school now and we moved into a new place and the boy's are already enjoying the new school and the new house.

Even thou they preferred the old house that we were in because there were more kids to play with and more things to do. But they are really enjoy walking to school now and not being in traffic for 2 to 3 hours everyday. Now we walk to school and walk home so that is really nice and I enjoy the walk too. I think I enjoy it more than the boys I think because I am behide the computer most of the day if not all day so it is really nice to get out and go for a nice walk in the beautiful weather here in Kansanga Uganda.

Goat Races

On the 3rd of Sept we were invited to the annual charity event called the goat races and it was a lot of fun. I would compare it to would be like the Kentucky Derby. Where its all about wearing nice clothes and big hats. It was a fun thing to go to and all the proceeds go to the Missionaries of the poor which is a NGO here in Kampala that help the Handicap. We are partners with them at the NGO I am working for.



Moving

As I told you in the last couple of newsletters we have been moving around Kampala to save money. Well you will all be happy to know that we found an Apartment in Kansanga and we have moved into. It is right across the street from the boy's new school.

So we are saving money on rent, fuel, and time by moving here. For me it is taking a little more time to get used to the new place but the boys really like it and so I guess it is okay.



Gift from the Cat

One Saturday morning the boys were ready to get out of bed and so I said ok we can get up. So they came into my room and asked if they could watch a movie on the computer, and I was like its ok and to make it more special I told them they can even watch it on my bed. So they were very excited so I put on the movie Ratatotie. The movie is about a rat that cooks. So I went to cook some porridge and all of a sudden Henry yells dad they is a rat in your bed and I was like ok funny joke. So I went in there and there it was a huge rat in the middle of the bed. So I picked the up Garfield and put his nose in it, then he started to eat it. So I then picked it up and threw it outside. Then went straight for the disinfectant and changed the bedding. So what I came up with is when the cat came back in the morning she brought it back and into the house. I was told by some of my cat lover friends in Uganda is that means the cat really likes us. That is a gift from the cat to a human so then I was not so mad when I found it out but I still was still not very happy.



Time in America

On the 18th of September I started my journey back to the states for a quick 3 day adventure.

The Adventure started very early on the 18th . My friend Jimmy also my taxi driver was on the way to pick me up and bring me to the airport. So about 5:30 in the morning I called him and asked where are you and he say I am about 5 minutes away so I was like great. So I hung up the phone and about 10 minutes later he still was not here so I called him back and asked him where are you. He said at your gate and I look and no one was at the gate so I looked up the hill he was at the wrong gate. So I told him no I am the next gate down so he started to back up . Then all of a sudden the tire went into the very deep ditch. So at about 545 in the morning I am in the pouring rain trying to get the car out of the ditch. We finally got it out and then we packed the car and off we went. 36 hours later I landed in Minnesota. While in MN I was on such a tight schedule where I did not even have time to visit anyone I gave 5 presentations in 2 days, I met the Home Study Specialist for the homestudy, the main reason I went back. I got to meet with the school that the boys will be going to, and explain to the kids the differences that Henry and Nathan will be facing and then the 36 hours back home to Uganda.

Trying to save Aida

On Monday Sept 5th I was going to a friends office to do a errand and have some coffee. When I got there it was a sense of nerves and determination. I was informed that a child in their project was very sick a was told she a disease called ——. And she is going to died unless she gets open heart surgery. So the first thing I did is I got out my phone and started calling all of my friends with contacts in the medical field that can help in this situation. Then I jumped onto the computer to get more contacts with emails and going onto hospital websites. It was a busy day and it lasted from 10:00 to 2130. Next month will be a update on the status of Adia!!

Hope you enjoyed Septembers Newsletter

Brad, Henry, Nathan



This passage I have been thinking about and I feel that I have been struggling with, so I am giving it to you too thinking about in your stressful lives. So I hope it helps you !!!

James 1:20 For Man's Anger does not bring about the righteous life that Gods Desires.