

Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. John 15:4

*Susan Overton
in Kenya*



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PRAYER REQUESTS & Support Needs

✠ Please pray for a youth leader to come forward and for me to be able to start the transition to someone else.

✠ Please pray for my finances as they are very low again.

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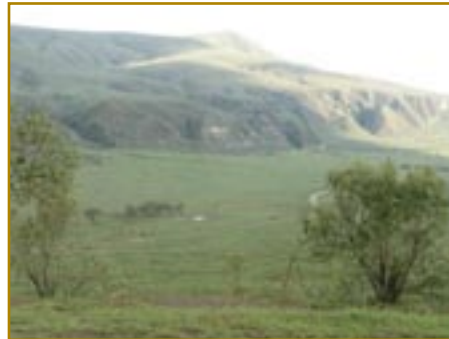
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*Hello
everyone,*

I hope you are all doing great and enjoying the colors of Fall. I love



watching the seasons change and have missed that being over here. Although I've missed a few seasons, I still have no regrets! What a great time this has been.

*Group with
No Name*

Is there anything easy in Kenya? I was planning to take about 10 to 15 teens hiking about 2 hours out of town. However, I have a very small car and can only fit a total of four including myself, so I had arranged to have two other adults join us. They often help me with the teen activities and have helped me with the transportation problem before, so I thought all was

well. And it was well until Friday afternoon about 4pm. I started receiving phone calls from the adults helping me and within a few hours of each other explaining how they could no longer help to due to car problems or family issues and they had to cancel. I was absolutely stunned at this and panic was definitely setting in at the thought of how I was going to stuff up to 15 teens into my small car. I knew that was not realistically going to happen. However, I also knew trying to find an affordable van and driver within the next few hours was going to be a bit of a challenge. Since we don't exactly have car rentals, you can't run and fix the problem so I tried the few contacts I knew to help me. By the way, when you rent a van you get the van and driver regardless, it's just the way it's done around here. Most of the quotes were about \$150.00 and that wasn't an option for my budget. As you can see things were not looking good, and I literally stopped where I was and started praying. I have to tell you about one hour later I received another call from a guy asking if I needed any more help for the trip. I immediately asked how big his car was, he said it seats about 8 teens plus himself. I was absolutely ecstatic and that's how God works. When we can't, He does... and He did! It turned out to be an awesome trip and we ended up with just enough seats to take everyone. Praise the Lord!

We went up to a place called Hells Gate and rightfully so because as you hike there are deep canyons to cross



Hell's Gate



and some pretty scary climbing as well. Its a lot of fun out there but I was exhausted and the next day my muscles were telling me how young I'm not... I was very sore! Even the teens were exhausted by the end of the day!



Giraffe

On the way out of the park we got to see lots of animals and it was so amazing! I love Africa for the beauty! As we drove around we saw several giraffes with little babies and tons of zebra's, baboons and buffalo. It was an awesome way to end the day. The Lord definitely blessed us all on that trip!

Transition Home

I am writing this with a heavy heart and ask for you to please continue to pray about bringing forth a leader to



A Group With No name

take over the teen group. As I have met with the Pastor and several leaders within the church, I'm saddened to say that at this point there is nobody who will be taking over The Group with No Name after I leave. They will have someone who will teach on Sundays but as for much more than that, it doesn't look real hopeful. The pizza parties, the weekly and monthly activities and the bible studies will all most likely stop for now. I am really struggling with this and trying very hard to understand that God has a bigger plan than I can see.

Within a few weeks of me being here I was asked 'What do want to see while I'm here?' And my answer was 'I am here to make a difference, even if its just one teens life and to show them how much Jesus loves them, I want to teach them the Word of God.' As I look over the past 10 months I can honestly say I have done exactly what I came to do, and now its time to give these awesome teens back to the Lord and let him continue however he sees fit. Only I didn't realize how hard this would be.

Isaiah 55:8-9

"For My thoughts are not your

thoughts, neither are your ways," declares the Lord. "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways and My thoughts than your thoughts."

It has been such a blessing and a privilege to have built a teen group from scratch. I have planted the Word of God and have spent many months teaching them and giving them the proper tools they need to grow on their own, ie bibles and daily devotions. Now I'm trying to remember that they are not my teens to keep they are Gods, and I will trust him to take care of each one of them.

Isaiah 55:11

So is My word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to Me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.

Please pray for strength for me as I close this chapter in my life as it's a difficult process.

Also I will be returning to the US in early November and I ask for your continued support during these final months as I close things out. I am currently \$600.00 short and ask that you pray with me for God to supply my needs.

Serving the Lord,
Susan