



Russ & Beth White

Tenwek Hospital
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In April, Russ's brother Wes died here at Tenwek Hospital. So many of you reached out to us when we shared that burden, and we thank you for your prayers and loving encouragement. God has worked faithfully to begin healing our hearts. Please continue to pray for his wife Cindy, their grown children and grandchildren, Russ and his siblings, and those Wes ministered to and worked with.



Cindy, her youngest son Aiden, and her sister Carol were with us for over a week after Wes died. We were all surrounded and loved by our community, coworkers, missionaries, and friends as they cared for us and helped with making countless arrangements. What a privilege it was to be cared for so lovingly. We were able to go on two outings, too, and were grateful for the reprieve.



One of the outings was to be a day-trip to the Mara. We were able to see all sorts of animals in such a beautiful setting, reminding us of what an amazing Creator God is! On our way home, we got hopelessly stuck in the mud despite the efforts of at least a dozen men working tirelessly to dig us out! So our day trip turned into an overnight at a fairly nearby safari camp! Cindy's reading the next morning included these verses from Psalm 69:

1 Save me, O God,
for the waters have come up to my neck.
2 I sink in the miry depths,
where there is no foothold.
I have come into the deep waters;
the floods engulf me.
3 I am worn out calling for help;
my throat is parched.
My eyes fail,
looking for my God.



What a metaphor for the despair we can feel in sorrow and trouble! But we were reminded of God's promise in Isaiah 43:

2 When you pass through the waters,
I will be with you;
and when you pass through the rivers,
they will not sweep over you.
When you walk through the fire,
you will not be burned;
the flames will not set you ablaze.
3 For I am the LORD, your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior;
... you are precious and honored in my sight, and ... I love you...

Travels

We have traveled a lot since the end of April. Highlights were a continuing medical education conference in Greece provided by CMDA, a fact-finding trip to an amazing hospital in India for Russ, and a trip to the US for me to meet our newest grandson Eli, a sweetheart! I got to fly back to Kenya with Adam & Rachel and their two sets of twins, also so very dear, who came to visit us and Rachel's parents, who also live here in Kenya. Anna and her husband Justin joined us and are still with us!



Thomas, Caleb, Evan, Henry, Eli



Eli Christopher



The gang at Tenwek

Thank you!



Thank you for your generous giving towards our matching fund for Cardiothoracic Equipment and throughout the year toward our ministry. We are humbled by the way God works through His people and provides for us each step of the way. Thank you also for praying for us, for the work going on here, for our trainees, and for our patients. We all keenly sense God's hand of blessing and protection in so many ways, and we pray that you will, as well!

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