

But you,
**be strong, and do not lose courage,
for there is reward for your work. 2 Chron. 15:17 NASB**

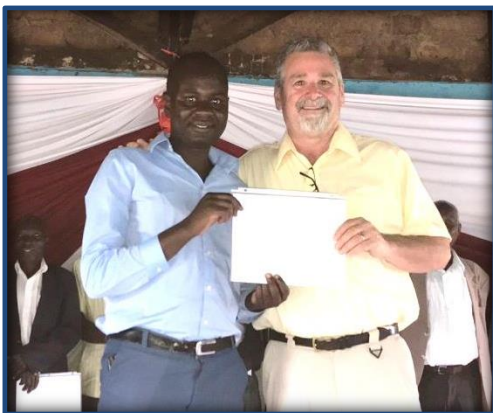
We praise God for His strength during these different days in which we are living. We thank God for this season of refreshment in the Lord! We are doing very well.

Jambo! Our Lord continues to encourage us day by day as we have been waiting upon him. We are very thankful for your prayers on our behalf and on behalf of our brothers and sisters in East Africa. They are still under the many added difficulties due to Covid 19 which we had noted in our last newsletter.
Exciting! Our 3rd grandson, Kaden was born on 6/ , to David and Hannah.

FYI, A quick lesson in Swahili...

*Jambo: The initial greeting. Jambosan: The responsive greeting
Bwana Asifiwe: Bwana – Lord; Asifiwe – be praise*

Ministry Opportunities - Our planned trip to Iowa which was postponed due to Covid 19, Lord willing, will happen August 2nd. Both of us will be sharing about our recent trip to Africa and the MLI program.



THE MLI SPOTLIGHT

Pastor Joe is from Luhya, which is in western Kenya. I hope you are encouraged to pray for him and his family. Mark and Garrett first met Joel in 2017 when serving in Kaimosi, KE.

Your name Joel Muruva

Your Wife's name Jane Muruva

Your children's names & ages

Bryton Barasa, age 11

And parental guidance of...

Charity Kazungu, age 16 & Alex Rabugi, age 12

What is your job & church ministry?

I work as a kiosk vendor to support my family. I am the church secretary and the associate pastor of Kapkatoi Church of Christ. I also coordinate and lead the MLI classes for the local church leaders.

How has MLI helped you and the church leaders?

The MLI program has been giving us a better understanding of the scriptures and how to interpret them. Thus enhancing better preaching and teaching for our community.

What do you enjoy doing when not working?

I enjoy riding a motor bike, reading story books and watching movies.

What are the greatest hardships your community has?

Most of the community is still holding a traditional circumcision and remembrance of the dead person after 40 days.

What Scripture encourages you & why?

John 3:16. No matter how I am God loves me and He is wishing me the best (eternal life) if I only believe in Him.



Thanks again for praying for us and our brethren in East Africa!

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