



Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him and He will make your paths straight.
~Proverbs 3:5 & 6



MARTIN FAMILY MISSION

Fort Portal, Uganda

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Family Life

I returned from Women's Retreat at the end of March, and jumped right back into my job as full-time homemaker and mommy. It was great to come home to many hugs, kisses, and stories. We started the month off by celebrating Easter with our missionary community with an Easter egg hunt and yummy fajita lunch! I just recently finished up a wonderful Beth Moore Study with some missionary friends. We went through the study book entitled, Jesus-90 Days with the One and Only and I highly recommend it! It is designed to be a personal Bible Study, so we would just share our thoughts when we got together and we were all blessed by it. We have been enjoying talking with our families with SKYPE since upgrading to a newer, faster internet! I've spent quite a few days outside with the kids this month and they have enjoyed their new swimming pool that we found in Kampala. We also learned that it doesn't even have to be filled with water for them to enjoy it! I came into the living room one day and found it full of pillows and blankets! Other than that, I've just been preparing food for the Faith Quest Team that is coming from America. We are so excited to welcome them to Fort Portal and have them teach the youth at Camp Saaka. I'm excited to share meals with them and get to know them better.



Anaiah & Evan playing in the kitchen

Ministry Update



Children's Bible Class at Fort Portal town church

It is amazing how time gets away from me sometimes. April was a blur. We spent much of the time preparing and gearing up for Faith Quest. Camp Saaka was in need of preparation and that meant that I was spending my extra time getting the physical things done in order that the camp could run. I have also been spending more time working on my language acquisition, specifically Swahili. Kibi (a Congolese leader in the town church) has been my Swahili language coach as well as a partner in our efforts to start a satellite church in his area of town. We have been meeting regularly for bible study with his family so I have plenty of opportunities to put my new Swahili skills to use. Kibi is well networked with many of the Congolese in the area because he has been in Fort Portal for a long time and he is a well educated older man who has worked in several schools in the area. At the moment he is a French and Swahili language

teacher in a local private university here in Fort Portal. Kibi and his family have been members of the Fort Portal off and on for several years as they have traveled between Uganda and Congo over the past years and have now settled more permanently here in Uganda because of the conflict in Eastern Congo. We have been inviting Kibi's neighbors to join with us in Bible study and worship on Sunday mornings. We have received a few new members to the Bible study who have also visited the town church a few times. We have seen a positive response to our home Bible study efforts and we look forward to how these efforts may work to spread the gospel and further strengthen our church community.