

A new year is here and there will be many opportunities for all of us to trust in the Lord. "It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man" (Psalm 118:8). We must be careful and ready for whatever lies ahead.

New Life

Thank you one and all for the Christmas cards, emails, and Skype calls over the holidays. "As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country" (Proverbs 25:25). One of the cards mentioned, "Awaiting news of your first grandchild; what a joyous event. Truly the Lord is choosing to increase our joy in Him as we worship Him anew." Asanta Sana; Erokamano; Muchas Gracias!



Genesis 1:27-28 says, "So God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He him; male and female created He them. And God blessed them, and God said unto them, be fruitful, and multiply." Our eldest son, Aaron, and his wife, Melissa, are the excited parents of Raquel Arleen Warn. "Children are a

heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is His reward" (Psalm 127:3).

Congratulations Aaron and Melissa!



Christmas African Style

Ask any child in Africa about Christmas, you'll hear about food, and if it's a deluxe Christmas, maybe a new set of clothes! They may go hungry other days of the year but on this day their stomachs will be full: chapatti, kuku (chicken), rice, beans, and sweets!



Children, no matter where they are in the world, have a special place in God's heart. Children, Christmas, giving, and joy go together. Our holidays here were filled with meeting the needs of many children. It's great to see how God provided for the parties. Once again the children from Carpio, Costa Rica sent their hard earned money to give our children food—physical and spiritual (in the form of New Testaments). Thank you!



On a personal note, to add to our excitement our daughter, Elizabeth, and her husband, Lowell, were able to travel from southern California to join in on the fun. Afterwards we spent Christmas tent camping on the Maasai Mara! No, not the "luxury" tent camping, but



the real thing with a variety of night visitors sniffing at our tents: Cape buffalo, hyenas, topi, hyrax, and a troop of banded mongoose. Plus,



there were several day visitors that paraded pass including giraffes, impalas, and even some “mzungus” (westerners) in a hot air balloon. We’re not sure who was watching whom!

Some picture highlights from the holidays.



On our one day safari we saw all of the “big five” — elephant, rhino, leopard, lion, and buffalo. Our guide, who has 20 years experience, made an unsolicited remark at the close of the day, “This safari was led by

God. Some people come and stay for weeks and still don’t get to see all five.” Thank you, Lord!

Visit to the States

We will be in Costa Rica February 1-25 and then to California February 26-mid April. We want to connect with as many of you as possible. If you would like to set something up, please email us at warnink@gmail.com.

Thank you for all your support and prayers! May this New Year be the best ever. “Even so come quickly Lord Jesus!”

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