

Mission & Outreach Report for Session March 2015 | Randy Mayfield

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KENYA MISSION TRIP:

We closed out February and brought in March in Missions with a wonderful short-term mission trip to Kenya to share in ministry with our Central missionaries, David & Jane Kendagor. Eleven people represented Central as we organized a week long VBS for 350 elementary kids in Kapenguria (West Pokot) Kenya. Deb Sommer wonderfully led our Kid's Bible Camp and she taught daily on the theme of *"The Lord's Prayer."* Catherine & Sam Stufflebam led the sports teams along with my "Compassion" daughter, Assumpta Uwamariya from Rwanda. Elizabeth Wiese and Mariah DeYoung led the crafts, Justin Mayfield was our camp photographer and all around assistant, Central elder, Joe Gruneisen, along with Central missionary, Solomon Kendagor, taught the pastors in the Bible College and Jane Wiese led the Women's Bible Study. I led the music, did outreach concerts in local High Schools and met with local government leaders and preached on Sunday in Nairobi at New City Church, Nairobi led by our missionaries, Joe and Elfi Mutuuki. It was a great 10 days of ministry...in spite of our team being robbed at our hotel of all of our camera equipment, computers and I-phones. (Ask me about it! My first time being robbed on a mission trip in 35 years!) God protected all of us and He brought the team even closer together after this event.

While I was away in Kenya, I was thrilled to learn that our Mission weekend *"The Music of Johnny Cash"* concert sold out in just over a week. We decided to schedule a second concert on April 25 to help the charity benefiting from the concerts, "Jubilee Christian Development Corporation" in St. Louis. I hope that you will attend to support missions and Jubilee! We have a great team of Central musicians playing in the "All-Star" band.

The weekend after I returned home, I had the privilege of doing a wedding and a two baptisms, followed the next week by two funerals and five more baptisms! I'm glad that I was missed!! :)

COMING UP:

Coming up in April (9-18), we have another short-term mission trip to England to work with our missionaries, Jamal & Merna. We will be sharing in local churches and schools and performing concerts. Several Central members and musicians will be going with me including Carl, Chris & Rebekah Sasse, Chris Lowe, Susan Crecelius, myself and Sharon and my accompanist, Su Mei Kong from Malasia. Central missionaries, Rob & Tunde Futo and their two girls will also join us in England for a few days.

MISSIONS WEEKEND SCHEDULE:

Please plan to join us for our annual Mission's week from **April 21-26** (See schedule below)

Tues. April 21: 11:30 am - Migena Licaj from Albania speaks to Women's Ministries

Wed. April 22: 12 noon - **Klodi Licaj from Albania speaks at the Men's Luncheon**

Fri. April 24th: 7 pm "The Music of Johnny Cash" concert at Westminster Academy (SOLD OUT!)

Sat. April 25th: 9am to 2 pm "Islam, Christianity & Jesus" seminar with special International guests.

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Sun. April 26: Sunday worship and SS classes at 8:30, 9:45 & 11:15 am. Jamal will preach and several of our missionaries will share in Sunday School classes.

Sun. April 26th: 12:30-2 pm Annual Mission Luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. (Special guest speakers)

PERSONAL:

Another "highlight" in April is that Sharon and I will be returning to Alaska for our granddaughter Afton's first birthday! I'll spend a week in Ketchikan and then I'll head down to Guatemala with Central missionaries, **Paul & Elizabeth Branch** and **Michael Miller** for a pastor's conference where I'll lead worship and share in concert.

~Randy