

AMOS FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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GLOBAL FARM IN FT. MYERS, FLORIDA

On October 13th to 17th, Rebecca and I, along with our teammates Chris and David, flew to Fort Myers, FL to be part of a development workshop. ECHO is a demonstration farm and teaching facility that trains missionaries, doctors, Peace Corp volunteers, etc. appropriate technologies to use in third world cultures. Our class had missionaries going to China, Cambodia, Togo, Philippines, and Papua New Guinea.

At ECHO, we spent half the day in the classroom with Dr. Daniel Fountain, 30+ year missionary to the Congo who helped establish numerous clinics and a hospital in the country. He has written numerous books and articles about how to appropriately encourage development. The other half of the day was spent on the farm learning about composting, soil management, latrines, farming techniques, handling animals, etc.

We learned more than we can write in this small space. If we find a need for this in Rwanda, we hope to start a demonstration farm where we can teach simple things like nutrition, health care, farming, and more. By addressing the people's physical needs (Mt. 25), this will help us earn the right to speak concerning their spiritual needs.

We were so impressed by ECHO that Heath will go back there on Nov. 10th for two more weeks of hands-on training.

HEATH'S NEWS

We have been kept busy as beavers in Fort Worth. With the end of October has come a rush to finish up our remaining weeks at Richland Hills. Our team has been learning about a church planting movement by David Watson who has seen God start thousands of churches in Asia and Africa. He teaches a biblical pattern of missions through inductive Bible study and obedience based discipleship. Watson is scheduled to be in Rwanda in August 2009.

As October ends, we are sad to say goodbye. Not only do we say goodbye to our new friends, but to some things that have become familiar. Our teammates leave shortly for Rwanda and instead of seeing each other daily, it'll be 5 months before we join them. We leave our wonderful home at the Byron Nelson Ranch and Ms. Peggy Nelson who has been extremely



Looking at some rice at the demonstration farm in Florida. Yummy!

hospitable to us. No longer will we share our house with the Kimbrows, whom we dearly love, or hear the footsteps of their two wonderful children - Ian and Lola. It is with both joy and sadness that we leave for Lubbock in just a few days. We are thankful that God has the lead in our lives.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- THANK GOD FOR OUR TIME IN FORT WORTH
- TEAMMATES FLY TO RWANDA ON DEC. 2ND
- SAFE ARRIVAL OF BABY PETE IN FEBRUARY
- HARVEST WEEKEND AT RHCC
- PEACE IN THE CONGO

HARVEST WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

Harvest Weekend at Richland Hills Church of Christ is a fund raising weekend for all for all of their mission works around the world. In this one weekend-November 8-9th, the church raises all of the money that will fund their missions efforts for the year to come. So as you can imagine, this is a big weekend, for which we have been praying and planning for months.

Among some of the activities are an All-Night Prayer Vigil, which happened on October 31st. Heath, David and Chris were the organizers and planners of this evening, and much work has gone into it. They had various speakers, prayer stations, worship time, and a special Lord's Supper time. It was an amazing night and we know the Lord was present and praised.

Also, we will have a banquet with many missions supporters and friends who have committed to us in prayer. The following night RHCC is hosting a concert

to raise funds for the Harvest as well. Caedman's Call will perform on Saturday, November 8th.

Thank you for your prayers for this weekend, as we grow closer to leaving for Rwanda.



I am tasting some Cranberry Hibiscus on the Global Farm in Florida. This plant is full of nutrition and is quite tasty. I loved learning about so many new plants that are full of nutritional value.

REBECCA'S LOOK AT THINGS

Romans 12: 10-13 *Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.*

Heath and I have truly seen this passage of scripture come to life in our time here in Ft. Worth. We have been surrounded by love from the church family that we are so new to. We have been welcomed as though we have been members for years, as so many people have had us into their homes, prayed over us and spent time getting to know us. We have even had to turn people down for invitations, simply because we do not have any nights left to go anywhere else.

As we have been able to be a part of so many lives here, we will truly leave being blessed by the Lord though these people. Each family, not only has wanted to feed us, but they have fervently asked to

pray with us and to continue in prayer with us. As we get ready to leave in a week, we give glory and honor to our Father for the goodness and love He has shown us through the people of Richland Hills. We are thankful to sincerely call them family and co-workers.



Pete James legs about 6 weeks ago. We are so thankful and full of joy! Pete is now 25 weeks old!

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