

Dear partners,

Tomorrow morning, by God's grace **I will leave for Congo** to conduct a long-awaited training. Our enemy has been active trying to prohibit this training. You may remember last November, my visa was delayed, so the training needed to be postponed. Thankfully, I received my visa for this trip two days ago, but Holly and all three kids have come down with a variety of sicknesses (stomach flu, strep throat, ear and eye infections, bronchitis.) Two are doing better, and two are still in the thick of it, so please **pray for their quick healing** (and that I won't get it – three days on a plane with the flu is not fun!) Through the challenges, **God prevails**, and "greater is He who is in us than he who is in the world." (1 John 4:4) So trusting Him, we press on.

Trainings Last Month

January was a busy month with <u>Global Equipping Division</u> <u>annual meetings</u> in So. Carolina, training pastors in Seattle, preaching in churches and meetings with mission teams. February was no different, but I also



made a trip to East Africa and conducted a pre-training with a group of pastors in **Nairobi, Kenya** as well as a graduation training for my dear brothers in **Dar es Salaam, Tanzania**. The Kenya group is poised to launch their network this coming May, and are strategizing to reach all 37 counties of



Kenya with the material, aiming at 2500 pastors. Awesome! The Tanzania group is a bit unusual, since I have been working very closely with these men for six years from the time we lived there. Over the years, I've seen them grow so much in each training I've given them. With hearts full of joy yet sorrow we concluded the workshop, blessed them with graduation certificates and gifts, and shared in parting prayers. Hopefully soon I'll put together a video to share their precious words of

encouragement recounting how they have developed in their handling of God's Word. To read some of their deeply encouraging testimonies, <u>FOLLOW THIS LINK</u>. To hear about one of my dear friends, Pastor Daniel Ikongo, who was just chosen to be bishop of his denomination, <u>CLICK HERE</u>.

You are our partners, and together we serve a God who is doing amazing works in African pastors. Thank you so much for your "participation in the Gospel." Eric, Holly, Adam, Andrew and Alyssa