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tlc Updates

• All creatures great and small

Sights

Majestic fish eagles, magnificent bee eaters, egrets
Elephants, zebra, ostriches, baboons, warthogs,



Snakes, spiders, ants, bugs, bugs, oh did we say bugs!

Sounds

Cicadas (Chimneys), bees – food for the bee eaters, hippos,
that single mosquito in the bedroom at night - is it inside the
mosquito net?, rain, thunder

• Technology

Since Nampower brought its new transformer online and linked to the power grid that includes the four neighboring countries of Zambia, Zimbabwe, Botswana and South Africa there have been few system wide power outages. While the outages still occur they are not as frequent or as long lasting as before.

telecom Namibia, the provider for our telephone and internet service, has been encountering some significant outages. We can only hope they are in the process of upgrading their systems. The most recently outage brought a halt to all electronic communications (no e-mail, Magic Jack or Skype) and electronic commerce (banks would not cash checks because they could not connect to the financial systems to verify bank accounts, no ATMs worked, no credit card transactions, etc.) in the area for 1 day and continued to interrupt service for several days.

• Namibian Landscape

While the drive to the coast was unsuccessful in getting our shipment, it did provide the opportunity for us to experience more of the beautiful landscape Namibia has to offer...from the bush to the sand dunes to the coast.



• God's angels

The awesome sounds of the young man that sings loud and beautiful praises to God in Silozi and English each morning on his walk to work.

While in Windhoek, after learning that it normally takes several days to get extra pages in our passport we were stopped by the deputy consulate from the US Embassy who noticed that we had passport applications. After a brief chat he said that we could the extra pages in our passport in a couple of hours. His office actually called us when we were delayed in returning to the embassy.

Steve and Kerry Graham and their six wonderful children.

We were introduced to the Grahams by a mutual friend through e-mail. The location in Otjiwarongo was an excellent resting place for us since it was about a 12 hour drive from our home in Katima Mulilo. They welcomed us into their home on two occasions. God Will provide!

The agents at Maersk Line and Woker Freight Services that took time from their busy schedules to talk calmly with two frustrated Americans that arrived totally unprepared for all the processes that needed to be completed before getting our shipment.

SDA choirs: We had the privilege of driving a Seventh Day Adventist Youth Choir to a competition. They sang the entire way there and the entire way back. WOW!! What a blessing!



Horseback riding: We were able to arrange for 3 children at a time to go horseback riding. They used to have horses here so some of the kids who really loved to ride were very excited about this opportunity except for the fact that it happens at 7am on a Saturday.



Presidents to the city: Four presidents from the countries of Namibia, Zambia, Botswana and Zimbabwe came to town and we were able to take some of the children to see them. It happened to be on November 12th, our anniversary. We stayed through lunch so we were laughing that we had bread and water for our anniversary lunch.



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Anniversary in Africa: We did go out for dinner on the night of our anniversary but because the presidents were here we could not be served. So, we came home and put a frozen pizza in the oven. We were able to go out and celebrate the next night.



Travis' birthday was on Thanksgiving this year. Well, there is no turkey here in Africa so we had a typical day. We had just returned from the coast the evening before and payroll was due and there were lots of things to catch up on from being gone for 4 days, so it was a busy day. We did go out for an enjoyable dinner. Still no turkey!



Vocational School grads: We had 9 children graduate from level one of vocational school. They now have the start of skills that will be useful for them as they go out in the world and seek a job. Some of the studies included joinery (carpentry) and cabinet making, sewing and bricklaying.



Induna visit and performance: Some of the chiefs from the local village came by to visit. The children prepared a concert and sang and danced for our guests. It was an awesome day as these Indunas had never seen the children perform before.



Pastors' visit: 12 pastors from Katima stopped by to see us. This is a blessing and the beginning of a great building of relationships with local churches.

Slaughtering the Cow: Not a good month for the cow. He was slaughtered and we watched! Travis helped carry the meat but not Lorna. She just watched! We will use some of the beef for the upcoming Christmas parties.



For details on these exciting adventures be sure to visit our blog and photo gallery. On the home page of our website www.tlcinhiservice.org click on the **Read Our Blog** tab and photo gallery tab.



Praises

A BIG THANK YOU to those of you that have made a monthly pledge or provided a one-time donation through The Mission Society to our ministry #538.

I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. Philippians 1:3-6

