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BEV AND KEN, ANNIE, TIM AND PATTY, CRICKET

*“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men
on whom his favor rests” (Luke 2: 14 NIV).*

Dear Family and Friends,

I am most grateful for the opportunity of being able to wish you and your families a very blessed Christmas and a prosperous 2009.

This past year has been filled with God’s blessings. As I look back on the year, I stand amazed at all that God has accomplished through the Rafiki team in Rwanda.

One of our many blessings was the arrival of Annie Kelly. She has nineteen years of teaching experience and will be heading up our Education Program. While we continue to wait for the arrival of the children, Annie is assisting Patty in the training of the mothers. Patty trains the ladies in the ChildCare Program and Annie teaches them English.



ANNIE TEACHING ENGLISH



WORK BEING DONE ON THE CEILING
OF THE RAFIKI KITCHEN

Construction on the dining hall continues. We are grateful that we have not had any accidents even though the men stand on “make-shift” scaffolding to work on the ceiling.



WE DO NOT HAVE ROOFING SHEETS UP OVER THE DINING
HALL PORTION YET; THAT WILL COME NEXT.

The first three children's cottages are complete and ready for the children to arrive. The Rafiki Mothers were excited to be able to help me get the mattresses into the cottages and onto the beds. Now we just need children to sleep in those beds. Toys, books, clothes, bedding—everything is ready!



RAFIKI MOTHERS HELP TO GET THE COTTAGES READY FOR THE CHILDREN

Tim has done a wonderful job of helping Patty and me get all the finishing touches done on the inside of the cottages. It's amazing just how much needs to be done in order to be 100% ready for the children. Little tweaks here and there, and finally it's all done.



TIM HELPS WITH THE FINISHING TOUCHES

Praises:

- For the safe arrival of Annie
- For the first three completed cottages
- For Tim's endless hours of attention to detail in finishing out the insides of the cottages
- For approximately sixty names of orphans to come to Rafiki Village Rwanda from local officials
- For the good health of all on the Village

Please pray:

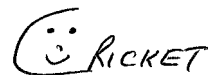
- That we will receive the required documentation for screening and receiving our first children.
- For the annual Rafiki registration renewal and ROS (Rafiki Overseas Staff) visas and work permits for 2009.
- For the safe arrival of Annie's personal belongs from Austin.
- For a reliable car for Annie.
- For safety, accuracy, and integrity for all the workers and contractors

Thank you for your love, prayers, and financial support during this past year. I am blessed to be able to serve the Lord in Rwanda because of your giving to the Lord's work.

May this Christmas be a special time for you and your families as you celebrate the birth of Christ.

Merry Christmas and a blessed 2009!

In Jesus' love and for His glory,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cricket Meyer". The signature is stylized, with a smiley face drawn above the letter 'C'.

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