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God is so good, God is so good, God is so good, He's so good to me.

Our children have been singing this song with gusto AND so have we! Read on to see just a few of the good things God has been doing for us since our last newsletter.

Many of you have been praying for our housing needs and God has answered in a mighty way. Because teammates moved away, we are in the process of moving into a lovely house on the campus of the Rafiki Village.

Because we both teach all day and spend every evening doing prep work, we were concerned about finding time and energy to move to a new home. Not to worry; God is so GOOD!



MINI MISSIONARY RUTH TUTORING VIVIAN

Two very good friends from Seattle, Connie Grenley and Ruth Parks, and a young college student from Texas came to Nigeria to work as MiniMissionaries in our Village. Not only will they teach, tutor, play with children, read to ten children in their cottages at night, and fill in wherever they are needed, but they have also graciously offered to help us move!

Connie, Ruth, and Matthew went to a Rafiki Mission Training. Visit our website, www.rafiki-foundation.org, to see what this entails. MiniMissionaries give the ROS (Rafiki Overseas Staff) the



boost needed to accomplish all that needs to be done to love, educate, train, and play with our children.

Hundreds of people in our community were treated at our medical clinic in April. We are always in need of medical people who are willing to come to help for the two week clinics but can always use anyone who has a willing heart.



SEVERAL OF THE HUNDREDS TREATED AT RAFIKI'S MEDICAL CLINIC

A new student and a new teacher have been added to Gretchen's class. Agah, is a sweet young Nigerian man who has been trained to work with small children. His added presence is very helpful because he is able to translate words or ideas that Gretchen cannot explain; (such as the word *dream*), and he gently helps to teach our seventeen little ones.

Baby Isaac's sister began school this week. We wish you could have seen her huge smile as she walked down the path to school with the other children, her new cloth school bag proudly hanging from her shoulder. She neither speaks nor understands English, but we know she will learn quickly and adapt to her new life in the Village very soon. God is so good!

Our preschoolers received some dress-up clothes, dollies, and matchbox cars. As you can see, they brought great joy to our children immediately.





We will be home in Seattle for three weeks in July. Our official furlough won't be until next summer, so we will not have the luxury of seeing many of you until 2008. We will be seeing doctors and dentists and refilling prescriptions that have to be obtained in the U.S.A. Of course, we hope to have plenty of time to rest and relax with family. Hopefully, we will get to see some of you, too!

We had need of a car while we were in Seattle and God provided not one, but three offers. God is so good! We will have wheels while we are home!

We continue to praise God for you! Without your prayers and support, we would not be in Nigeria working with our orphan children. *Please continue to pray for good health for both of us and safety as we travel in Nigeria and to the U.S.A.*



CONNIE AND RUTH WITH TWO UNKNOWN "NIGERIAN" PEOPLE.

God is so good, our e-mail communication has improved and we hope to be in better touch with you. It continues to be a special gift when someone writes to us. Please drop us a note so that we can know about your lives too!

With JOY in Him,

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P.S. From the Home Office: The Petersons are at 87% of the total needed for their current term two (January 2007 – December 2008).