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Greetings,

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We thought October was going to be busy, and it proved to be true. The month started with a teenage youth retreat which included about 35 young folks. It was sponsored and run by Michael Calamia of A World Aware. The teens had a great time and also did some work for us while they were here. They did some bush clearing and also took out a cement wall on our old cattle feeding cement slab. We're trying to level the slab and turn it into a basketball court. As the teenagers departed, we were welcoming three ladies from our home church. They had a great week working with the children on homework and just having fun.



When our ladies left, we picked up another party of seven. The new group included the Hayes family who came for a survey trip (Adam, Jennifer, Ethan (11) and Caeley (10)). The entire group put a large dent in The Fold's to-do list. Included among all of the jobs they completed was installing our burglar bars on all the windows. After a week, we said goodbye to three of our volunteers and then spent two more weeks with the Hayes family getting to know each other and discussing everyone's expectations for a possible long term missionary opportunity. We all felt it would be wonderful for all of us to have them here. They've already started the process of raising funds for their support, and will now get started on their visas and selling what they own. They didn't want to leave here; and we're all hoping it will be a quick process.

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Adam will be bringing a lot of skills to The Fold. He's a mechanic and a welder, and has electrical and plumbing skills. Jennifer is currently a stay-at-home mom who home schools. Those skills will be a huge blessing for our kids since she'll be helping them with their homework. Jennifer will also help with the office work and sorting through all the donated items. Their children, Ethan and Caeley, love it here and really enjoy playing with our children. They currently live in Indiana which is where this year's missionary convention will be held. There were a few booth spots left, so we grabbed one. If you're going to the convention this year, please visit The Prince Ministry in South Africa booth (1509) and meet Adam and Jennifer. We really enjoyed getting to know them better; they just left for home a few days ago.

Our last visitor, Brittney, will be leaving us on 3 November. She's been a huge help to the children with their school work and with fund raising; selling beaded bracelets. The children are really going to miss her. She's been with us for three months. We don't expect our next visitors until January or February. But already we have two Christmas parties scheduled for our children, and with donations that have recently been left, we plan a huge feast for Christmas this year.



We also have two new children this month. They are cousins, and both orphans. Their names are Oneile (3) and Teyani (5). We will also be getting three more children in mid-December. Those three are currently in school and the school year ends the first week of December. We didn't want to transfer them this close to the end of the school year. This will only leave two bed spaces in our homes. We've already promised those spots to two other children that we expect will be arriving sometime soon.

Our truck has not fared well this month in regards to windows. On the way to town on a wet day, some vehicles passing us threw up a stone and broke a rear passenger window. Luckily in town they just happened to have the right window in stock and gave us a huge discount since it was for a children's home. Exactly a week later, a storm took out a large tree near our front gate, which also smashed our little vegetable selling hut. Paul used a chain to try and pull the tree branch free, but the chain broke and flew right through the rear window of the canopy on the truck. We were very blessed no one was injured. This window is going to take a little more time to get replaced. Jennifer captured the entire thing on video. The insurance company will pay for most of the replacement costs and our insurance will not go up. With all the storms we had we also lost phone coverage for two days and the internet was down about five days. But this is the start of the rainy season and now our brown dead grass and trees have really greened up.

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Four of our children have been in the school play this last week. They have been practicing since they started attending the school. I think they had a lot of fun with it and we enjoyed watching it. I guess this is a yearly fund raising event for the school, so they will be doing this again.

I think we've mentioned before that a rugby team in England is fund raising for us this season. They have an event coming up that involves horse racing and some of the rugby members I believe will be doing something between the races. It sounds like a lot of fun. The Gloucester rugby team community is also planning on bringing a group of people to visit The Fold in July next year to spend some time with our children. They'll be bringing some children from one of their local schools, and that school will be fund raising for us for the year. Next year is looking to be awesome. We already have a huge interest from people who want to come visit us.

For those who use Goodsearch, Goodsearch has updated their website. Please check your browser. You may have to refresh, or even reregister to get your searches and shopping counted. It was a few weeks before I realized my searches weren't being counted.

Prayer requests: Short and long term volunteers. Adam and Jennifer Hayes, their fundraising and quick return. Fundraising for additional expenses.

Praises: Adam and Jennifer Hayes, our future helpers. Brittney and the skills she brought to The Fold. All our October visitors. Local interests in The Fold are increasing.

God bless,
Paul and Micky Prince

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