



LeAnn's Ledger

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I can't believe how fast the months are flying by. I feel like I just got here. The Lord has been teaching me so much, about myself and about Him. I had no idea what He had in store for me when I started out on this journey with Him to Africa. I have been blessed by so many things, things that only our loving Father can give.

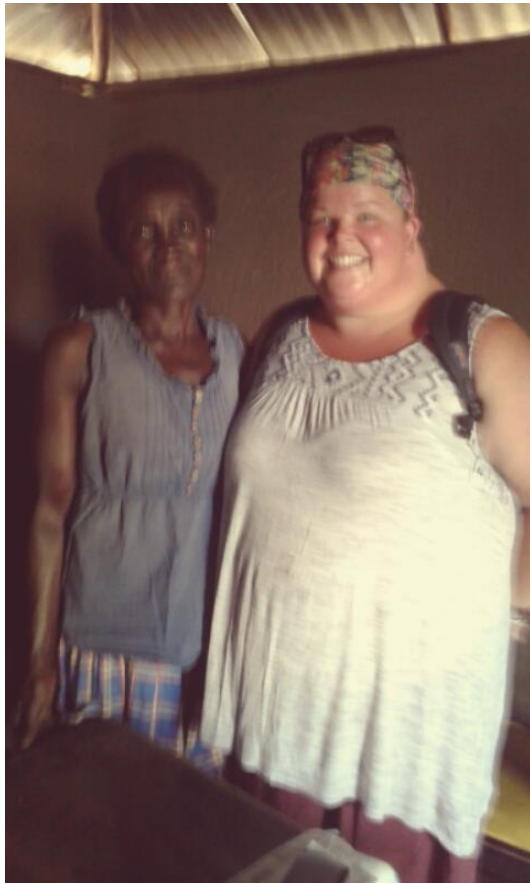
2 Corinthians 9:8

"And God is able to bless you abundantly so that in all things at all times having all that you need you will abound in every good work"



At the beginning of the month of October I had the opportunity to be on the planning committee for the Kisumu Ladies Fall Retreat. As many of you know I love to host and plan a good party/retreat/ladies banquet of any kind. The Lord has blessed me with so many ways to bless others, by doing the things that I love and that He has gifted me for.

- The picture above is of some of the missionary ladies (not all of the ladies who were there that day) from the Kisumu area. They are from all over and it has been my joy to serve them and to serve with them.



- I took one of my classes out door to door. I loved seeing the village and where some of my ladies lived, it was a very special day for us. My desire was to teach the ladies how to go door to door and found that just like me most of them were fearful in going. But we talked through a clear presentation of the Gospel and prayed for boldness and strength and left the rest up to the Lord. It was a great day and I'm hoping to be able to arrange a time to do it again with my class before I leave.

- Above on the right is of the junction where I get on a matatu to my classes. It's a typical picture of piki pikis (motorcycles) waiting to give people rides. At the time of this picture I still had not ridden on a piki, but in the last few weeks the Lord has helped me get over my fear and I have taken a piki to

and from my classes a few times. Pikis get you to places faster and helps to not have to wait for public transportation.



- On the left is one of my classes. I'm going to miss these women and have realized that 6 months is no time at all. A life time is not long enough to spend with these women. As my time here moves along, I find myself thinking and praying to return to Africa. It has shown me, that the women here don't know how to teach the Bible and I would love to be able to help them know how.

- Becci Rohrer came to see me. It was such a blessing to have her here with me for a time. It was nice to have someone here to do things with and talk things over. It was to short but I will forever cherish our time in Africa together.



- It has been a blessing for me to be able to serve the missionary community during my time here as well. The Lord has so graciously allowed me to use my love of hair to serve them by offering haircuts. It was not something that I thought that I would do much of while I was here, but the Lord had other plans. It has turned into a huge desire for me to minister to those who are ministering by giving the women and men a nice haircut that they can be confident in showing to the world. You never know how much you can miss a good haircut until you can't get one. ;)

- It has also been a HUGE blessing to be with my family. I can't even put into words how much they have blessed me. They all have taught me so much. It has been a joy for me to be able to serve them as well.



- The women in my class have been inviting me into their homes and I have been overjoyed to be able to go and visit. Above on the left is Mama One-jeko and Mama Mary. Mama One-jeko (the one standing right next to me) speaks no English, cleans the church where we have classes every day and is a true testament to God's grace. She loves the Lord and is kind, loving, funny, and strong. She told me the other day in class about the Inductive Bible study (learning how to study the Bible for themselves) "I just read a verse here and a verse there, but this way when I read it, it will make more sense". What a blessing it has been for me to be with these women. I'm humbled that the Lord saw fit to send me.

- Above right is me trying to take a picture with the beautiful sunset. I couldn't stop laughing. So much laughter, tears, good people, and life-long friends have been made. This place was in my heart before I came.... and it has captured it again.

PRAISE AND PRAYER

praise:

- Becci getting here safely and having a fruitful time while in country
- The women in my classes understanding the Inductive Bible Study.
- Growth in the Lord

- Different ministry opportunities
- Good health

prayer:

- The women in my classes to keep growing in their relationship with the Lord
- The women of Africa to have a desire to learn to teach the Bible for themselves
- Open doors for future full time ministry
- To be present in my remaining time here
- Boldness and getting outside my comfort zone
- The clear Gospel to be shared and Africans to be saved

