

## Merry Christmas



Micah Joy, Paul, Miriam, Donna & Nehemiah

### Ministry with TWR by Paul

From our last newsletter you will remember that I was working on a booklet called TWR Statement of Doctrinal Position: What it Says, What it Means and Why You Should Care (WIS WIM WYSC). This booklet was to help with the trainings and teachings. WIS WIM WYSC has hit a snag as it needs approval from a higher level in TWR than anticipated. This has been a disappointment and has put a wrinkle in some plans.

In September, I was able to do a Spiritual Growth Through Doctrine seminar in South Africa. God truly blessed this seminar. Here is a link to watch a short video (less than four minutes) of a few testimonies about how God used the seminar: <http://vimeo.com/thecoxfamily/2014-09vlog-spiritual-growth>.

As part of my role with TWR as the Director of Discipleship for the Africa region, I was able to teach Elements of Greek to pastors at Africa Theological Seminary (ATS - [www.atseminary.ac.ke](http://www.atseminary.ac.ke)) in Kitale, Kenya. I was very honored to have this opportunity to help pastors grow in their ability to study God's Word. ATS operates on an "in-service" model where those in ministry can remain in ministry while taking classes. Most students will come to ATS for five weeks, three times a year for intensive classes. After the classes, the students return to their ministry with practical assignments that are designed to help them integrate the course material with their ministry. The assignments are turned in the next time the students come to ATS for their next set of courses.

## Top Ten Christmas Wish List

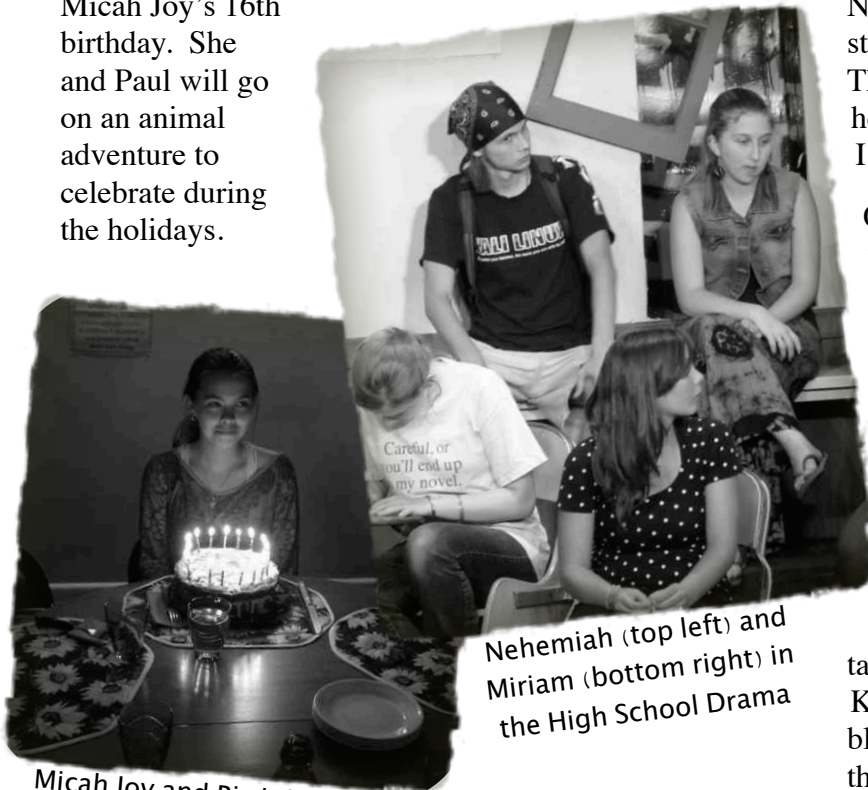
10. A Christmas tree
9. A completed PhD for Paul (apart from Divine intervention this is still a number of years away)
8. Better water supply for RVA
7. Open doors for Paul's ministry
6. Continued connections into the Kenyan community
5. Playground for the Safe House
4. A path for Nehemiah that continues to honor God as he embarks on adulthood
3. Rain in the drought and desert areas of Africa
2. Street children sleeping in warm, safe places

and the number one Christmas wish

1. Peace on earth and good will toward men

## Ministry with Kids – Ours and Others (by Donna)

One of the greatest joys of living in Kenya has been being closer to our kids. I know I have said this many times, but I am still amazed at God's goodness. Last month, we had the joy of seeing all three kids involved in the High School Drama. Nehemiah left the technical duties to Micah Joy this time, so that he could join Miriam in acting in the play. The play and the performances of our three children (two acting and one on lights) were **WONDERFUL!** We also had the privilege of having lots of kids in our home for free weekends, as well as dorm sitting for the girls' dorm. **FUN, FUN, FUN.** In November, we celebrated Micah Joy's 16th birthday. She and Paul will go on an animal adventure to celebrate during the holidays.



Micah Joy and Birthday Cake

Nehemiah (top left) and Miriam (bottom right) in the High School Drama

The Kenyan schools finish their year in November. I have been busy helping with end of the year activities, staff development workshops, and preparing some changes for the next school year (starts in January) at Helping Hands (an inclusion school that helps meet the needs of handicap children - [helpinghandsofkenya.com](http://helpinghandsofkenya.com)). I love working with these great kids! Since the locals' schools end in November, Christmas celebrations start early. Since Halloween and Thanksgiving are not celebrated here, I will take all of the Christmas I can get!

Our December plans include a trip to Uganda to visit my nephew, Brad, and his family before they head to South Sudan to serve with Every Village ([everyvillage.org](http://everyvillage.org)). The kids and I will also spend some extra time at the Safe House where I do a bible club. The Safe House is a temporary shelter for children. This is the first place they go when they have been taken out of their homes by the Kenyan authorities. It is such a blessing for me to spend time with these special kids.

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