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God's majestic masterpiece on a canvas sky over Musanze, Rwanda

Wongs in Africa: Intentions

It's been over 7 years since we first landed in Rwanda. At that time we were barely sleeping through the night with a 3 and 2 year old. Language learning was tough, grasping the culture with grace was rough, and doing it with Christlikeness felt more than enough. Fast forward to today, and though we seem like veterans, we still have so much to learn.

Since returning from Canada, we were given an opportunity to dive deep into defining our values as a family, envisioning what God wants us to become in 10 years. I didn't say "Where God wants us to *be*, but to *become*." So much of the Christian life has unfortunately been projected and wrapped around doing (missionaries are the worst), as if to prove to God, ourselves and others that we are becoming more like Him through service. God wants our hearts and our devotion, and service out of intimacy and identity is freeing, not shackling.

We won't drift there aimlessly. In fact, we drift away unless we are intentional with what we feel God has put on our hearts. So with God's grace, we are making some much needed changes in the way we do marriage, family and community. Changes like: not being everything to everyone else at the expense of those you love most... focusing on which relationships we sense bring inspiration in and out... being intentional in all we say and do...



Enjoying a moment with baby Megan, my assistant's firstborn. Emerance struggled with repeated miscarriages. She spent a season weeping before the altar of our church. Like Hannah in the Old Testament, she sought the Lord in anguish. One of the pastors took notice of her and after praying for Emerance and her husband, he declared by the Holy Spirit that the next month she would be pregnant and to believe in faith. The rest is history.

Prayer requests

1. The clinic has been overwhelmingly busy due to the absence of the other dentist with his 3 month leave. Pray for endurance until May when he returns!
2. We are planning a city wide dental conference hosted by His Hands on Africa and a team from the States. We will boldly witness our story of Christ and what He has done in our lives. This will be the first conference of its kind, and especially vital after COVID made it impossible to host something of this scale.

Thank you for your love, support and prayers.

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