



# The Tate's

## Bringing Joy in Christ to Kenya



Missionaries to Kenya, East Africa

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## Language, Language & More Language

As we close out the month of March, we have been in Africa for almost two months now and are in the rainy season. It hardly seems possible that it has been that long. We've had bus adventures, gotten used to going into town, seen snakes, contracted malaria (all of us but Amy), and experienced a multitude of new things. However, most of what we've been doing is studying language. It seems like all day, every day we are studying Swahili - either in class, in our small groups, or at home in our apartment. Learning Swahili is not easy. Sometimes I wonder whether I will ever grasp it. Knowing that others have struggled through it before me and still grasped it is encouraging to me. The four months here in Tanzania will help prepare us to

effectively communicate the gospel in Kenya. With God's grace we will learn this language and reach many East Africans for God's glory.



**Roger studying Swahili and still smiling**

We have had witnessing opportunities even here at the Christian language school. One young Tanzanian Julie has been talking to has confessed Christ as his Lord and Savior. Another young Tanzanian man joins us each night for our family devotions. We thank God for these opportunities



**Playing a game at Emily's 13th birthday party**

and pray that even while we are here studying He would use us to further His kingdom on this earth.

Things to pray for:

- That we as-

simulate Swahili into our brains

- That Kenya remain peaceful
- That our shipment arrive safely

in Kitale

- That God be glorified in East

Africa

### **Special Celebrations!**

We celebrated two special events this month in Africa. First, Julie and I celebrated our 16th wedding anniversary. We are thrilled that we could spend it on African soil. Second, Emily celebrated her 13th birthday. We had guests from five different countries and she had "Happy Birthday" sung to her in four different languages. We sang hymns accompanied by African drums and played games (some American and some African). We even had a birthday cake prepared by the school cooks. It was a good time. Wish you could have been here.

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