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Changes

Pryor's in PNG July 2022

Name Change

On July 2nd Naleh Dawn Pryor became Naleh Dawn Duncan. We traveled to Ada, OK to witness the wedding ceremony, and what a happy day it was celebrating with family and friends. She and Ryan will be completing their schooling at Lubbock Christian University in Lubbock, TX this fall and we are excited to see what the Lord has in store for them both as they start their new path together.

Reluctant Change

Change is not always easy. Some changes you hope will never come. If you follow us on social media, you know that the Samban Clinic is currently closed. Since our departure from the village, there have been a few altercations between some local men, alcohol has contributed to the problems. The most recent episode resulted in the serious injury of four men. Our clinic attempted to intervene and break up the fight and treated those who came seeking help at the clinic. However, members of one side of the fight were not pleased with how things were handled and demanded the clinic be closed. There were threats against staff and the facilities even though they were bystanders in the altercation. The staff are no longer in Samban because we were concerned for their safety. We would appreciate prayers for all involved including those in the villages who we hope will follow the steps required for reconciliation and restoration of the clinic.

Change in Scenery

As many of you know we are on the last leg of our US road trip. Our travels have taken us from NY to AZ from IN to FL from OK to TX and TN. We have already put 15,000+ miles on our car and with gas prices what they are I am not going to mention the cost of travel. But we have seen some amazing sites in the US and met some dear old friends and made many new ones as well. We are definitely road weary and longing to stay in one place for more than a couple of days at a time. But as our journey winds to an end we look back with gratitude at the ways we have been protected in our journeys. We were blessed by our visits and the words of encouragement spoken by family, friends, and supporters along the way. Our next change in scenery will be on July 26th as we leave Indiana and fly towards our PNG home.

Long Awaited Change

In July of 2017, we met and brought our son Israel home. We later formally adopted him in April of 2018 in Papua New Guinea. As the laws require, we waited two years before applying for US citizenship for Israel. Though he previously traveled with us on a visitor visa, we have looked forward to completing his immigration so that he too can be an American citizen like the rest of our family. On his 5th birthday, which coincidentally is Flag Day, we completed the process and Israel became an American Citizen. He also retains his PNG citizenship, making his travel between countries much easier now. This is one change we have waited for for a long time and are so thankful to see.

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We stopped at several state parks and monuments. Israel in particular enjoyed the hiking on the trails.

All the boys helped out with the building and hanging of some barn doors. It was good to be working outside instead of riding in the car.

A Special Thank You

We would like to give recognition to Birdwell & Guffey Family Dentistry in Knoxville, TN. A donation of an Autoclave for sterilizing medical instruments was truly a surprise and a massive blessing. We look forward to getting it back to PNG for use.



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