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What we do: Neil works as a surgeon at the local government hospital in Moyo and Sue as a lecturer at Kajokeji Christian College (KCC).

Greetings from Moyo.

Time is flying by and there is not much to report really. Apart from two more kittens, who were hidden away by their mum Miss Percy, and the growth of the two dogs (which belong to our neighbour), who are now very large and boisterous. We continue to miss our growing family and also our friends (who may also be growing in other ways but we would never dare point it out!).

Neil is struggling just as much with the frustrations at the hospital, such as lack of equipment. Fortunately, there are some wonderful individuals and theatre days are now quite timely if not challenging! We would value your prayer both for Neil's ongoing work relationships and regarding the possibility of Neil working at the Kajo-Keji hospital, which is now held up by red tape. This is not helped by the fact that the process of voting in a new bishop has come to a standstill, so we still do not have a bishop for Kajo-Keji, and this is an important figure to enable us to get our work permits renewed.

This is a part of the sense of being somewhat "under attack" spiritually this past season. A trickle of difficulties – from hospital inadequacies to a disagreement with boda boda riders on the muddy roads and having our names falsely used to purchase items in town – worked together to become a bit exhausting this last month or so, and we are reminded that we are here to serve God and his people and it isn't always easy wherever we are. On the positive side, we have also celebrated 41 years of marriage, which is a great joy!

The wet season has dried up again and so we have hot, humid conditions with dry (good) roads, but very dry (bad) fields of crops. I (Sue) am still travelling to South Sudan, staying over one night a week to lecture for two days. Crossing the border has become slightly quicker as the guards mostly know me, but odd, as suddenly hand washing has been re-introduced on the SS side! The college continues well. With some really amazing committed students, and some wonderful conversations which result from all kind of topics, from meat eating to praying.

We both really enjoy the Sunday school planning, team meetings and presentation. We thank God regularly



Mango trees, heavily laden with fruit, continue to decorate (and feed) the town

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for a small but wonderful team of helpers. We are trying once again to introduce smaller groups for deeper discussion and to grow relationships both among ourselves and with God, but this is dependent on the regular attendance of all the leaders, and we continue to have anything from 80 to 100 kids each week.

The other family of God we enjoy is the prison church family. Sue is still involved in Sunday morning services, and we both help with the Bible study on a Thursday afternoon, unless of course Neil is called to the hospital. This work is a combined work with St Paul's, our local Anglican church, the diocese of Kajo-Keji and some brothers in Christ from the Pentecostal church. We recently had a much-

valued visit from an American missionary who works in the camps and Sudan, who brought a box of Bibles, which were greatly appreciated. We always have prisoners asking for Bibles, as well as many other things of course. We have seen some truly transformed men, and please pray with us that they grow in faith, whatever the motivation for joining the meetings is. Also, please pray for them as they are moved to other prisons or released, that they will remain strong in Jesus.

Please pray for the timely renewal of our work permits and residence visas, as some of our colleagues have faced some difficulties in this area. We are due to renew at the end of October.

We are always aware of our frailties. Please pray that we will be wisely generous, aware of God's love for us and for our neighbours, as well as gracious in our response to the many requests we receive.

We hope you are all well. Let us know if there are specific things we need to pray for you too.

God bless you and keep you, go with you and before you, and look out for trucks.

Neil and Sue



Photos from top to bottom: Most families plant a small plot at their homes, as well as keep bigger "gardens" for essential food crops further away. These badly need more rain; Sunday school continues to be both a real blessing and a busy ministry, as well as a lot of fun; kids enjoy a competitive game; Sunday school team meeting



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