



December 2005

Dear Friends,

At this time of year, we wish you a special time of remembering Christ's birth.

As we approach home assignment, we want to send you one last update from Ethiopia. We are having a precious time of saying goodbye to people that we love. We feel their love as well.



Just walking around HQ compound, where we have lived for the majority of our time, has reminded us of God's faithfulness. One plot of grass reminds Becky of how God specifically answered prayer. In this plot we had problems with constantly growing termite mounds. To solve the problem we had to dig into the hill and find the termite queen. Our workers started digging. They spent 2 or 3 days digging to no avail. Becky walked by one day and was reminded that God created this queen and He knew where it was. So she prayed with the men doing the digging to ask God to show us where the queen was. A short time later the men shouted in

triumph. They had found the queen! We all praised the Lord for His direction. To this day there are no signs of termites there!

One of Harold's responsibilities has been the management of Theological Education scholarships. Without anyone to take on this job when we leave, the Theo Ed Team has asked if Harold can cover this from the States along with his job in the SIM USA office.

Pray for God's guidance in all this.

This week we heard from the SIM-USA office that as we join home staff our monthly support will increase by \$740. We find this very daunting. But, we praise the Lord for this opportunity to trust Him with our needs. Please **pray** with us about this.



We will be leaving Ethiopia December 12 and spending the rest of the month in Kenya with



Rodney, Faith and our two granddaughters. In addition, Giovanni, Rachel and our four other grandchildren will also be joining us there for Christmas! What fun!! We haven't all been together for five years. **Praise** God with us for this special blessing.

Lord willing, we arrive in the States January 1. We'll drive west arriving in the Northwest February 1. The end of March we'll head to Charlotte where we'll set up house and start working in the SIM USA office. **Pray** for us in our travels. We look forward to seeing you along the way.

In His Service,

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