UPDATE FROM THE MUUTUKIS

Joe & Elfi in Nairobi, Kenya

"God is good, all the time" April 2022 Update

Family, friends, supporters and prayer warriors. We pray you are keeping well.

As we ushered in 2022, we can say God has been good to us in many ways. As a country we no longer have to wear masks unless you choose to do it voluntarily. COVID-19 related deaths since the pandemic broke out have so far been 5,648 in the country as of today. We do not think anyone can explain the low death rate but God has been good to us as a country.

For the first time in 9 years all of our kids were able to be home at the same time. We had a full house as you see in this photo as each came with a friend. It was such a joy to



see them and for them to include us in their vacation at the coast for few days. It was also exciting to see the young man getting married to our daughter ask her for marriage in one of the evenings while here. We do have a wedding slated for September this year in Germany where both live and work.

The ladies' retreat is back! The photo below was taken 3 years ago in 2019 but due to the pandemic their retreat which was an annual event never took place.



We are so thankful that now they can resume retreats again. Elfi expects about 30 women to attend on the 30th of April. One of the ladies, Kimberly Apel will speak on the topic of "grief". *Remember our ladies in prayer*. We continue to worship at the Amani ya juu gardens on Sundays. This has been a huge blessing after being kicked out of the school where we used to meet due to the pandemic. It remains open from Monday through Saturday as a restaurant but free for us on Sundays. And, oh yes, we now have to remove these masks!!



Pray with us as on April 17th our church worship team hosts a concert to raise funds to support our ministry to the physically challenged, *Overcomers by Grace* (OBG). With cost of living being harsh and gasoline prices going up the worship team is giving a free concert with good will collections going to help the ministry. Many of the physically challenged come from M*background. This is a great time to share with them of God's love as they continue to fast during this month of Ramadhan. Sabia, the widow who runs the ministry is holding a baby (see photo at top right).



And yes, God is good all the time because Christ is the greatest gift that God gave to the world. Those of us who are in Christ, "are a new creation the old is gone...all this is from God who reconciled us to himself through Christ... God has made us his ambassadors..." 2 Corinthians 5:17-20. We are thankful to serve this God in small and big ways in our community here in Nairobi.

Wishing you all happy and blessed Easter and remember, *"the Lord is risen"* in this we rejoice even more.

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