

The McClerkin Messenger

June 23rd, 2015

Dear Friends and Family,

Our date of departure has now been set! On September 7th, we will begin our journey to East Africa and the work God has called us to fulfill. Excitement grows as we think of the upcoming transition. Despite its challenges, we anticipate God's continued faithfulness.

Thank you to all the churches, organizations, and individuals who are making this mission possible!



At Stanley PH Church

At New Hope Outreach
Worship Center



What we look forward to in returning...

I (Greg) am very eager to visit with the compound boys and the kids at Hope4Sudan Primary School. It's always a joy to observe their growth physically and spiritually, and to see their big smiles! My favorite pastime in Toposaland is sitting with the natives, listening to all their stories as they catch me up on their lives and on the local news. After arriving, this time of fellowship will be a first order of business.

Latoya is happiest at the thought of getting back to her Sunday School class and seeing the spiritual growth in the kids. She's also eager to meet the new female teachers on the compound and to rekindle the women's ministry there.



Ethan in S. Sudan (2013)



Ethan today!

As for Ethan, he's grown quite a bit since the last time he was in South Sudan! Although he doesn't remember anything from his previous stay, we imagine his favorite thing will be the making of new friends and the learning of new games.

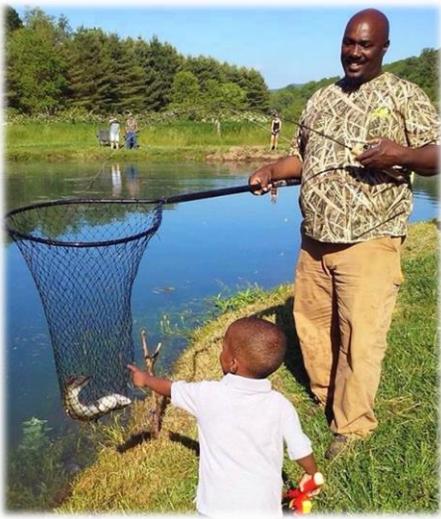
Asaph wrote in Psalm 73:28, *"As for me, the nearness of God is my good. I have made the Lord God my refuge that I may proclaim His works publicly."* As our family prepares to embark on the mission to which God has called us, we ask that you would **pray this verse over us**. May the nearness of God be our good. And may we make the Lord our daily refuge so that we can effectively proclaim His works!

Special thanks to Bethel Life Worship Center in Greenville, Pennsylvania, for your continuous support and prayer. We love and appreciate you, church family!

From our home to yours,
Greg, Latoya & Ethan

You can help send us to South Sudan by **partnering with us** monthly or by giving a one-time donation online at <http://donations.iphc.org/missionaries/gregory-mcclerkin-support-account>.

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World Missions Ministries, P.O. Box 12609, Oklahoma City, OK 73157
(Earmark checks & money orders: "90358SXMCCLERKING.")



First-time fishing with Dad!

Ethan's Corner

On May 30th, we were invited to participate in “Fish Day” at Rural Retreat PH Church. Neither Latoya nor Ethan had ever been fishing, so this was an opportunity not to be missed!

“Fish Day” dawned bright and beautiful, and our little family eagerly headed for the pond where everyone was gathering. Ethan and Latoya were soon learning the tricks of the trade and reeling in their catches, Ethan especially in awe of his prizes. I spent most of my time baiting hooks and cleaning fish. 😊

When the hour for lunch arrived, our family enjoyed feasting and fellowship with the church folk. A good ole country time full of memories!