

# The McClerkin Messenger

November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014

Dear Family and Friends,

I landed in South Sudan on Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>, just three days before the arrival of the Hope4Sudan medical team. Those few days were packed with both preparation and celebration as I worked and visited with old friends. On Saturday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, we had a “party” on the compound – slaughtering a goat to cook over the fire and fixin’ up some beans and ugali (cornmeal mush) to go along with it. The boarding boys at the Hope4Sudan compound had a grand time of it as we swapped stories and caught up with one another’s lives.

One compound boy in particular, **Ramaduke**, has been very special to me over the last few years. He is a Toposa about 19 years of age, who has a real knack for business. He became a Believer a couple years ago but is still working through some strong cultural characteristics which need to be conformed to the image of Christ. *Please pray for the Spirit’s transforming work to be realized in a deeper way in Ramaduke’s life and that Ramaduke will be open and eager for this work.*

With Ramaduke in 2010  
(On front fold photo, he is the boy in the pink shirt.)

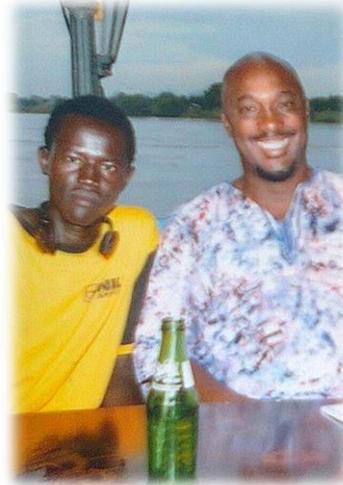
I also enjoyed time with “my boys” – Lokale and Omer. They are both about 11 years old and like fishing, shooting slingshots, and getting into the kind of mischief most 11 yr.-old boys are so good at finding. ☺

My old friend, **Ruben**, also came to visit. This young man, at only 19 years, is an investigative officer under the South Sudanese government. I met him several years ago when he was only 11 and working in his brother’s general store in Kapoeta. His English at that time was very impressive, and I later found out he was schooling in Uganda. The Lord opened the door for me to build a relationship with this young man which has continued even until now.



Ruben is a Believer of the Bor Dinka tribe. In addition to his work, he is currently taking electrical engineering classes at a university in Juba.

*Please remember this young man in prayer – that he would abide in Christ and that his faith would stand strong on God’s Word.*



Taking Soda with Ruben  
July 2013, Juba, S. Sudan

*“I bow my knees before the Father...that according to the riches of His glory He may grant you to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith...that you may know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.”*

Eph. 3:14,16,17a,19

## Praises!

- The Hope4Sudan Medical Team was a wonderful success! You can check out their photos and news items next week on [www.hope4sudan.org](http://www.hope4sudan.org).
- This week, I received my official letter approving me to begin my studies towards becoming an accredited minister in the Appalachian Conference! *Pray with me in this endeavor!*

Much love from our home to yours,  
*Greg, Latoya & Ethan*

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*I can  
drive  
all by  
myself!*



### *Ethan's Corner*

It was a magical moment when Ethan stepped through the doors of Rivergate Mall in Goodlettsville, Tennessee. Shiny cars just his size were parked within reach, and they were simply *begging* him to jump in their driver seats. As soon as he'd sat himself behind the wheel, a contented quiet overtook him. What a wondrous feeling - to drive at only 2!

At Ethan's last eye appointment the doctor decided he will need another surgery. The date for this surgery has not yet been set, but *please keep this matter in prayer.*



*I spent extra time with Daddy before his big trip to South Sudan.*