

### A word from Bobby

#### **ACCESS DENIED**

Recently, I received some very disappointing news from the Delta Airlines. "Boarding declined!" I thought that I was totally prepared for boarding the plane for my intended destination. I had made arrangements for my ticket, transportation, yellow fever card, malaria medicine and my passport. My contact was ready on the other side of the world but there was a little detail that I missed. It is called, the Nigerian transitory visa. The Nigerian transitory visa is necessary for making a transfer in the Nigerian airport from one plane to the next. Panic set in! How and where could I obtain this visa that would allow me access to pass through the Logas, Nigerian airport? The ticket agent at the counter did not know the process of obtaining this visa.

This little detail that I missed cost me my flight and my experience in Kenya for the observing and digging of a new water well in the Nkutu village. Thankfully, Michael Lolwerikoi and Dr. Bill Goold of Asbury Theological Seminary could continue the work in Nkutu and the people of the village would not suffer because of my ignorance and neglect of details.

These are hard phrases to hear, "Access denied, boarding declined or it is too late!" It was an emotional and costly day for me when the ticketing agent said boarding declined. To be turned away or disqualified from the better things of life because of missing the details is difficult to hear and believe. The Nigerian visa experience taught me that I did not want to miss my plane, my family or my God because of missing the important details. Lord help us not to miss the important details or take for granted our lives, family and God.

#### **November**

# Happy Thanksgiving!

#### Our Vision

The vision for this ministry is to equip individuals & local churches to become more actively involved in Christian mission opportunities and service.

#### CLOTHING THE LEAST

Over 5000 hand-made dresses and shorts sets have been made from friends and partners of Unto the Least of His. Rev. Billy & Grace Wicker of Allentown UMC started the most inspiring dream for children. She started a stitch shop for making clothes for the children of the world. Short-term missionaries would take the clothes to different parts of the world. Allentown UMC, Pitts Chapel UMC, Sparks UMC, Unadilla UMC, Montezuma UMC, Pine forest UMC, Dudley UMC, Wesley Chapel UMC, Statesboro UMC, and even the men's prison, Branchville Correction Facility of Tell City, Indiana have been actively involved. This list does not include the Baptist churches and the Presbyterian workers who have joined in the stitching projects. We are excited to see God use ordinary people to do extraordinary works of God!





We would like to thank our partners in this ministry. God has made you a part of this ministry to serve Him and the least.

Thank you!

We would love to come and share our ministry with your church, Sunday school class, circle, civic group, school or community event. Please continue to pray for this ministry as we reach out to the least in our world.

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#### Unto the Least of His Celebration

We will have an Unto the Least of His celebration in the Gene Bates Social Hall at Andrew UMC in Kathleen, GA on November 14, 2009. It will be a low country boil and dessert with Costa Rican coffee or tea. Supper will start at 6:00 p.m. and the program will follow. We have singing, testimonies and an update on the different missions and projects. Please make reservations by contacting Gerald Martin at 478-335-3423 or Bobby Gale at 478-233-0345.





#### UPDATE ON WATER WELL PROJECTS IN KENYA

The new water well projects in Kenya, which we drilled, have a high volume of clean safe drinking water. The shallow water well is at the Loijuk Nomadic village of 3,000 people. I have visited this new site and the people were very desperate and had no water. The few hand-dug water wells had dried up because of the prolonged drought. There have been no rains at all in Northern Kenya.

The second well site is Mbaringon Village Community. There were urgent and emergency cases of typhoid and dysentery in the area. As a result, we decided to drill the water well in this site for quick provision of safe clean drinking water. The population is 6, 000 people including a nearby school with 300 students.

One student died as a result of dysentery and there were other cases of illnesses in the area. This problem of typhoid and water borne diseases will cease as the water wells are completed.

The second water well will be dedicated to the Lord and in memory of the late Rev. Gene Bates and his family.



We would like for you to meet our most recent grandchildren! Alexander Robert and Ava Ann Gale. Alex and Ava were born on Sept. 16. Daniel and Jennifer Gale are doing well as they learn to parent twins! God is good!

## <u>Christmas Party</u>

Drop-in Christmas Party

Dec. 19, 2009 6 to 8 p.m.

Federated Garden Club of Macon.

730 College St. Macon, GA

Music, fellowship and finger foods will be provided

Please mark this date on your calendar!



Bobby Gale and Lonnie Bivins of the Methodist Children's Home enjoy some fresh silver queen corn from Rev. Tommy Veal's garden.