Dispatches: Visiting a Masaai village

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The
Buckner
Vision
group
visits
with
Masaai
villagers.
(Photos
by Ken
Camp)

Dispatches: Visiting a Masaai village

By Ken Camp

Managing Editor

Tuesday, Feb. 20, Masaai Mara wildlife preserve, Kenya

The past two days, our team members have grown to love the natural beauty of God's creation in Africa, and we have grown to love each other. Yesterday morning, we left Nairobi on a single-engine turboprop plane and flew west over the Rift Valley, landing on a dirt airstrip at the Masaai Mara

wildlife preserve.



Lioness with cub at the Masaai Mara wildlife preserve.

Dispatches: In Nairobi's Gehenna

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"Pastor Eutychus"-Euticauls Wambua Nzengu, who has served 20 years ministering in Nairobi's Korogocho slum-visits with Lee and Susan Bush from First Baptist Church in Athens, members of a Buckner mission vision team. In the background is the city's largest garbage dump. (Photos by Ken Camp)

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Wednesday, Feb. 21, Nairobi, Korogocho slum

Today we saw the presence of Christ in the heart of hell.

Dispatches: Sent to live at New Life Home

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Linda
and
Ken
Hall at
the
New
Life
Home
for
babies
in
Nairobi.
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Camp)

Dispatches: Sent to live at New Life Home

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Thursday, Feb. 22, Nairobi, New Life Home

When I heard we were going to visit a home for HIV/AIDS orphans, I expected to see a hospice. But children in the New Life Home are not sent there to die; they are sent there to live.

Dispatches: Laying a cornerstone in Ethiopia

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Friday, Feb. 23, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Contrasts. That's the only word to describe our experience in the last couple of days.

Dispatches: A bright hope for foster children

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Getahun Tesema of **Bright Home** ministries interpets for Carol McEntyre as she brings a word of encouragement to women in a sewing class. The vocational training is designed to help women learn a trade and escape poverty— and in some cases, a life of prostitution. (Photos by Ken Camp)

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Saturday, Feb. 24, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

After seeing some of Getahun's ministries this morning and visiting with him, I've decided "Bright Hope" is aptly named.

Pastors, laymen challenged at Panhandle conference

March 16, 2007 Updated: 3/16/07 New officers for the Panhandle-Plains Pastors' and Laymen's Conference include (from left) President Richard Laverty of First Baptist in Perryton, President-Elect Steve Martin of Parkview Baptist in Plainview, First Vice President Troy Richardson of Temple Baptist in Amarillo, Second Vice President Gerald Bastin of First Baptist in Crowell and Secretary/Treasurer Charles Bassett of First Baptist in Weatherford. (Photo by Teresa Young)

Rx for church leaders:

Both rest and joy

By Teresa Young

Wayland Baptist University

PLAINVIEW—Church leaders should find both rest and joy in Jesus Christ as they serve their congregations and communities, speakers told participants at the 86th annual Panhandle-Plains Pastors' and Laymen's Conference at Wayland Baptist University.

D. L. Lowrie, pastor emeritus of the First Baptist Church in Lubbock, brought words of encouragement to pastors and laity in a series of messages about encountering Jesus in everyday situations of service and ministry.

Baptist workers provide training to church leaders in China

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break at the
Hua Mei
Pastor's
Retreat, the
participants
spontaneously
began singing
hymns at the
base of Mount
Gonga. (CBF
photos
courtesy of
the Cayards)

Baptist workers provide training to church leaders in China

By Laurie Entrekin

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship

SICHUAN PROVINCE, China (ABP) — What's the greatest spiritual need in China today?

Bill and Michelle Cayard, Houston-natives who have worked in China since 2003, believe the country desperately needs more churches and trained leadership.

Don't ignore date violence, youth ministers told

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Don't ignore date violence, youth ministers told

By George Henson

Staff Writer

DALLAS—Abuse and violence in dating relationships is too prevalent to ignore, a gathering of youth ministers learned at a workshop at Lakeside Baptist Church in Dallas.

Representatives from