

December 2023

In this Christmas season, as we look back on 2023, we are grateful to God for many blessings and answered prayers. As we shared with many of our supporting churches, we have seen God at work in the following ways in our ministry:

- In our many interactions with students inside and outside of the classroom. Teaching is rewarding, but it was also nice to bond with students in less formal settings like off-campus trips, fellowships, and tea time with casual conversations.
- In our relationships with Christian colleagues at St Paul's. As the faculty and staff of St Paul's University have grown over the years, many well-qualified people have been added. These talented Kenyan Christians also serve here with dedication.





• In our student's lives after graduation. It is always rewarding to see how our students go out to serve God and humanity. For example, one of Jane's students is counseling men in his area struggling with alcoholism, and one of Rowland's students is serving as a youth pastor. Many lives are being touched and the love of God is expressed through these and other students.

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- In the churches and fellowship groups we are a part of. The Reformed Church of East Africa added new congregations and ordained more men and women. Jane's spiritual formation group added more Kenyan women wanting to be mentored.
- In the good connections we made as we traveled and visited over half of our 19 supporting churches. Your prayers, concern, and care for us were encouraging. It was also inspiring to see and hear about the work churches are doing locally and globally.



As we look ahead to 2024, we covet prayers for the following issues and concerns:

- For the Kenyan economy to improve so that students can find good jobs and pay back their student loans so that the government can afford to offer more financial aid.
- For the Kenyan weather so that parents and families of our students can grow more crops and afford to pay their portion of university tuition, room, and board.
- For us and our Kenyan colleagues working and teaching at St Paul's. Pray that we have the time and energy to form meaningful relationships with our entering students.



Merry Christmas,

Rowland and Jane