

## Back in the Bush 2016 Mission Letter #4

As we sit here watching a blizzard drop almost two feet of snow it is hard to believe that just a week ago we left the sunny 90 degree weather of Liberia, West Africa. Thank you for your prayers as we have arrived home safely from a very successful 2016 mission trip. We have taken the pictures and recorded the information of 1400+ students and now the task of preparing their profiles for this year's presentations and sponsors is ahead of us.

Every mission trip is different and the impressions each of us leave with fuel our desire to return to Liberia and help as God enables us. The hardest part of every trip is the times we have to look into the faces of desperate parents and tell them the program is closed and there is no room for their child this year. Those are the faces we look for when we return and pray we will have enough sponsors to make room for their children next year.

The moments that cause us to rejoice are those like a 10 year old boy who finally made it onto the tuition sponsorship program of God's Precious Children. As we were filling out his profile finding out where he lived, what his parents' names are, what was he looking forward to learning, etc. one of our questions is "what is it you ask God for? Your sponsor wants to know how to pray for you so what is it you want God to do for you?" This boy looked me squarely in the eyes and said, "I want God to give me an opportunity." For this boy I was able to smile and look into his eyes and say, "God just has. This is your opportunity. Study hard and who knows what doors will be opened to you."

Thank you for the support you give to God's Precious Children that allows us to give over 1400 children an opportunity at a chance for a brighter future through and education in the name of Jesus.

Your friends in Christ,

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