



Muutuki Update

**Joe & Elfi
in Nairobi, Kenya**

April 2026

Dear Family, Praying, and Supporting Friends,

We have just celebrated Easter and were reminded of the great hope we have in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ—that He has conquered death and now lives to intercede for us.

Elfi and I are grateful to stay connected with you and would like to share both challenging and encouraging updates from our ministry.

First, a difficult update. About five years ago, we shared the joyful news that God had provided an associate pastor after nearly twenty years of prayer and searching. Many of you rejoiced and

prayed with us as we welcomed him into the ministry here in Nairobi.

However, over the past year, concerns emerged regarding personal matters that required careful pastoral attention. I (Joe) met with him on several occasions, and together with our church leadership, we sought a way forward. Sadly, the situation did not move toward the repentance and restoration we had hoped for. After much prayer and deliberation, we released him from his pastoral responsibilities in March. We ask for your prayers for all involved, trusting God's grace to bring healing and restoration in His time.



All of our children were here visiting in January and February. It was such a joy to bond with them

Now, some encouraging news. In the past month, the Lord has been at work in a remarkable way. Four women from a Central Asian country have come to faith in Christ and have expressed a desire to become members of New City Fellowship. Currently, over 30 people from this same background are attending our Sunday services regularly.

Prayer Requests:

- Please pray for the **four women and their children who have recently come to faith**. After their conversion became known in their community, they lost their financial support from the mosque. As a result, they are facing significant needs, including housing, food, and school fees for their three children.

If you feel led to assist, we are seeking to raise **\$23,100** to support them through this year.

- **Please also pray for Elfi and me**. We had planned to travel to Germany this summer to visit our children and grandchildren and attend to some routine medical check-ups. However, at this time, I (Joe) am unable to travel due to the current leadership needs in the church.
- In addition, 11 individuals—all from a M*slim background—are preparing for church membership, along with several others, bringing the total to about 17 people. **This represents the largest group seeking membership in the history of New City Fellowship.**

We remain deeply thankful for your continued prayers, encouragement, and partnership in the gospel.

May the Lord bless you and fill you with His peace.

Grace and Peace,

Joe and Elfi

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