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Dear Friends,

While we were in Kenya four years ago, we were pondering what the next steps would be for us to continue walking in the path God had chosen for us. That path lead us home to the US for a time of preparation in the aviation field. It appears that our time of preparation is coming to a close and God is once again showing us how His path looks for our family. We are excited to be returning to Kenya to work with our former organization, AIM, in their aviation division, AIMAir.

Nate will be working as an aviation mechanic in the Nairobi hangar, and while Heidi's role is not fully determined, there has been some interest expressed in having her fill some administrative position in one of the offices. Nate will need to be evaluated on his proficiency as a mechanic in a technical evaluation (TE) before we are able to leave. Following a successful TE, he will be given a technical orientation (TO) that will prepare him for AIMAir specific aircraft.

The TE and TO will both be conducted at JAARS (formerly known as Jungle Aviation and Radio Service) in Waxhaw, NC. The TE is tentatively slated for a two week period beginning the first week in August and the TO for 13 weeks beginning in September. Following a successful TO, we will have a few short weeks to prepare to leave the US and join our team in Kenya in January 2013.

To be able to go to the TO in August, we will both have to quit our jobs for another move to the other side of the US. This means that we will be active as missionaries who are living state-side for a few months until our departure. For that to happen, we have to meet a very aggressive goal of raising 100% of our support by July! Yikes! In our human thinking, we look at the timeframe and the economy and other variables and it can look pretty impossible, but as we see in Matthew 19:26, we know that with God all things are possible.

How can you help? There are several ways to help us meet our July target.

How to help:

Commit to being part of our prayer support team. We need people that will sign on the dotted line for this. If you can commit to praying for us daily, weekly or monthly, please let us know so that we can add you to our prayer support team.

Commit to monthly financial support. We raise our salary to be in Kenya and will have 2 high-schoolers and one junior high student next year. Our monthly salary covers expenses such as rent, food, utilities and gasoline.

Send in one-time financial support. Along with our monthly bills, we have outgoing expenses that will allow us to leave the US. One time gifts will help us meet the costs of flying out to Kenya and living in NC for 4-5 months.

If you want to support us financially, there is an easy way to do this online by going to <http://www.aimint.org/usa/>, and following the "Give" link to online giving. From there, you will be able to send in a one-time gift or get the form for automatic withdrawal. Financial support can also be sent direct to AIM with a note stating that it is for Nate and Heidi Hinton to:

**Africa Inland Mission
P.O. Box 3611
Peachtree City, GA 30269-7611**

All gifts are tax deductible.

We have some specific requests that we would appreciate you lifting up in prayer with us:

- 1. Nate to have a clear mind as he prepares for his TE**
- 2. Wide open doors to share our ministry**

3. Full prayer and financial support to be raised quickly

4. Health and rest for our home. We have been battling colds and sinus infections and have some crazy schedules that make sleep and healing difficult.

5. Encouragement when things seem impossible

Thank you all for standing by us through the past few years (and some of you for much longer than that). We do not think lightly of your roles in sending us out in prayer and provision. You are a blessing to us and we pray for you as well.

We look forward to how God is leading us down this path and know that you are walking it with us in some way.

We would love to hear from you!

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