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Dust storm, Lake Magadi, Kenya located South West of Nairobi

Lesotho - "The Mountain Kingdom"

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Located high in the mountainous regions of Southern Africa, Lesotho - also called "The Mountain Kingdom" and "The Kingdom in the Sky" - is completely surrounded by the country of South Africa. The Basotho people who call this region home eek out a living as herdsmen and farmers and it is their story and the stories of the missionaries who serve them that we have been asked to help tell.

A team from Daylight Media Ministries will be joining a team from Africa Inland Mission next month in Johannesburg, South Africa. From there, we will travel on to Maseru, Lesotho to shoot two documentary videos to capture these fascinating stories that will inform, challenge and encourage the church.

One assignment will involve capturing and telling the story of how God is using agricultural training as a vehicle to improve the lives of the Basotho people and reach them with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The second project will tell the story of a nomadic population of shepherds. Young boys become responsible for their herds at an early age - some as young as five years old. Because they travel with their flocks in search of good pastures, the shepherds generally don't get to attend school. There is an opportunity to reach them with literacy and discipleship programs.

The objective of these documentaries is to share these exciting opportunities through the stories of God's work in and through His servants there. We are taking a small, two man team from Dallas so we can multiply the efforts of our ministry partners from Africa Inland Mission. Go to <http://www.aim-ofm.org> and click on their "Film" links to see examples of the work we are doing.

Please pray for me and Robert Morris as we prepare to go. Robert is a talented young videographer who worked with me on "Shiloh's Tale" and is preparing to go out to Nairobi on a short term assignment to work with the AIM-OFM team after we get back from Lesotho.



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Nairobi skyline from the game park West of the City

Lesotho Fast Facts

Population: 1,804,000

Capital: Maseru

Language: English, Sesotho,
Zulu, Xhosa

Religion: Christian, Indigenous

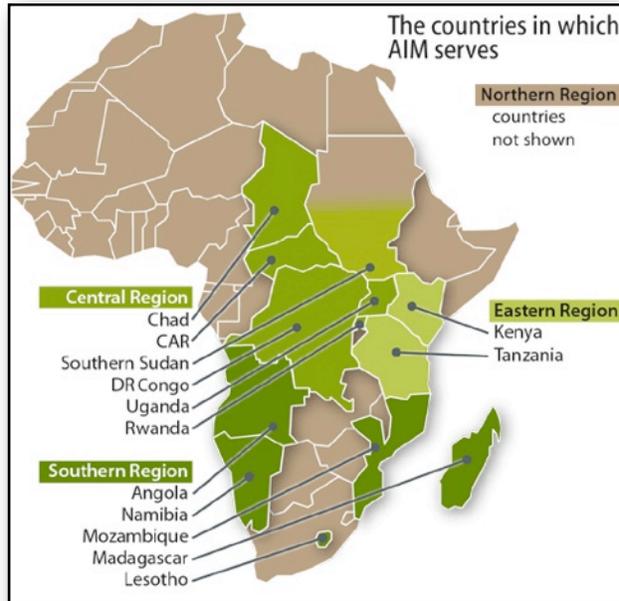
Life Expectancy: 37

GDP Per Capita: US \$2,700

Literacy Percent: 85

Source: NationalGeographic.com

Map Source: aimint.org



Next Steps

I am taking steps to secure non-profit status for *Daylight Media Ministries*. Please pray about that so we can issue tax receipts to our donors. In the mean time, we will continue to partner with Faithful Friend Ministries till we can secure tax-exempt status of our own. They will issue receipts for any donations for these initial projects.

The official *Daylight Media Ministries* website will be launched on November 1, 2009 at the following URL:

<http://www.daylightmedia.org>

In the next few weeks Robert and I will be speaking to individuals, small groups and interested churches about *Daylight Media Ministries* in general and the Lesotho project in particular. Please keep us in mind as we present these opportunities.

Special Project

OFM Media Team Needs

The OFM team in Nairobi has several needs that we would like to help with, so we are taking steps to raise funds to help provide them with additional resources that will enable them to be more effective in their work. 100% of the

donations designated for OFM will go directly to their work.

Electrical power is something we take for granted here, but in Africa, it is less certain. This creates challenges when editing video. As a backup, they need a 5,000 Watt generator capable of producing 50Hz 230 volt power - estimated cost \$1,500.

Hardware & Software:

- Final Cut Studio Pro 3 - need One new full version license - \$999
- Final Cut Pro 7 upgrade - need 1 at \$299
- Final Cut Server ten client license - \$999.
- Aperture 2 - need two at \$199.
- iMac - 24 inch - one at \$3,000
- Color Laser printer - estimated at \$500
- Shipping and import fees \$1,000

Total Needs For This Project:
Approximately \$9,000

Prayer Requests

Read Matthew 14:22-33

That God would remove barriers.

The wind and waves made the going tough for Peter. Ask God to calm the storm for us.

That we would faithfully discern God's leading. Peter first asked Jesus to "command me to come". Ask God to make the way clear.

That God would provide me with work in the interim. Jesus didn't calm the storm till they were both safely back in the boat. For the unseasoned, this may seem like a bad time to get out of the boat to start a ministry, but we will trust and obey the Lord in these uncertain times.

That my gifts and talents would be fully dedicated to God's work. Even the most gifted among us can accomplish more when depending on God.

If You Can Help

Pray of course, but we also have travel and equipment expenses for upcoming trips. Funds are also needed for legal and professional fees associated with the formation of *Daylight Media Ministries*. In the meantime, make your tax deductible check payable to:

Faithful Friend*
Attn: Rod Dixon
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*Until we form our own non-profit, we will be partnering with Faithful Friend so we can issue tax receipts for your donations.