

The Ness family is going to Kenya!

Dear family and friends,

We are excited to share that our family will be returning to Kenya in July 2026! After a 3 month trip to Kenya in 2024, we have felt called to take steps towards returning to Africa as a family. The doors have now opened for us to serve at Rift Valley Academy (RVA) in Kenya through Africa Inland Mission.

After a few weeks of orientation in Nairobi in July, we will travel to the small town of Kijabe to establish a home base for our life and service. We have made an initial commitment to serve at RVA for 2 years, but are open to whatever God has in store beyond that initial commitment, whether at RVA or at another location of His leading. Matt will be helping fill a need at Student Health to start and Amy-Lynn will be working in elementary education at the school. We plan to live on the school campus so we can be actively involved in the community, serving and helping to disciple the kids who attend and board there.

We were both brought up through a Christian educational system (Matt actually attended RVA for part of his Grade 10 year!) and feel passionate about the ministry. RVA has a legacy of more than 100 years of ministry in Central Kenya. Currently, about 500 students from 30 different countries attend the school. Most of the students are the children of missionary families serving across Africa with a variety of churches and sending organizations. The bulk of the student body is made up of boarding students, particularly in the high school. Over 100 staff members serve at the school, filling roles of teachers, dorm parents, administrators, and support personnel.



We are excited to return to a location that we visited in 2024 where we can live and serve as a family unit. In addition to our roles on campus, we hope to be actively engaged as a family with outreach ministries in the surrounding community.



We plan to leave for Kenya in July 2026, as long as we have our needed prayer and financial support in place by that time. Africa Inland Mission is a faith-based mission and, as such, each family needs its own support team: individuals, families, churches, and other groups who agree to pray regularly for their ministry and who help provide finances necessary for living overseas and for ministry expenses.

Please complete the form below if you would like to be kept informed concerning our plans and progress both before we go and once we reach Kenya. <https://form.jotform.com/260395421465256>

Warm regards,

The Ness Family