OUR WORLD IN 2013

TAYLOR FAMILY EDITION

"EDUCATION CAN ONLY HELP US IF IT PRODUCES WISDOM AND WHOLE MEN."

-EF SCHUMACHER

"Love One Another.
As I
Have Loved You."

Consider how our lives, our families, and our communities are transformed when we truly followed Jesus simple but powerful command.

This is the theme that resonates most with us this New Year, as we celebrate Him and prepare for a major family transition: **a move to Kigali, Rwanda** with Wellspring.

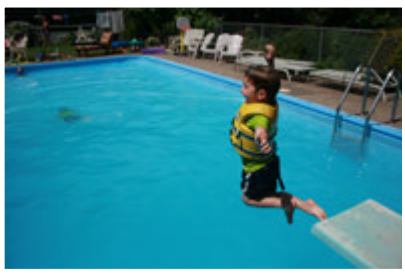
It started with a crazy "what if" conversation after a June 2013 trip to Burundi and a profound worship time with 53 orphaned children.

When Wellspring decided to expand to Burundi we realized a need for someone to replace Jeffery Komant in his role as Rwanda Country Director. The role would include helping start a new regional leadership training program.

And as we prayed together as a family we sensed that God was asking us to put our names forward and consider whether a dream we had when we were first married was being re-ignited. The answer was yes.

We are very excited! We look forward to continuing the work God has started in Rwanda & Burundi, **to see an entire generation of children transformed by his love.**

WE'RE DIVING INTO THE DEEP END. THANKFULLY THE BOYS LOVE SWIMMING!



So our family is moving to Rwanda for at least three years in April 2014. What will that mean?

What will we do?

Richard will be overseeing a team of about 40 local and international staff involved in transforming education in 48 public schools (that serve 1200 teachers and 63,000 children).

He is very excited about the opportunity to work with our team to start a regional training program for Christian leaders with a vision for how education can change their communities.

Ericka will be supporting our boys while also making herself available to volunteer. She is particularly excited about working with mothers and babies at a new Health and Wellness Centre (with a birthing facility) opening in early 2014.

We have applied for the boys to attend Kigali International Community School (KICS), an American curriculum school for missionary children.

We will live in a community fourplex with other Wellspring staff on the site of the Wellspring Academy, Christian Life Assembly Rwanda, and the Health and Wellness Centre.

How can you partner?

We are busy updating paperwork, downsizing, booking tickets, applying for school, buying supplies, and figuring out what life will look like for us there. It's a whirlwind!

We are deeply blessed to have a base of support that will continue with us as we transition to Rwanda, however, there are still some additional financial needs that will help Wellspring and us personally to make this transition easier.

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Many of you already generously support Wellspring and we would not want to take away from that. We will be sending out regular updates through our blog so you can pray and have attached financial information if you would like to help with the transition.

WELLSPRING ACADEMY

48 SCHOOLS and 63,000 CHILDREN

TRAINING CHRISTIAN LEADERS

3 month old Jordan and our friend Peli.

SERVING MOMS & BABIES

Happy New Year!

We would love to hear an update about what God is doing in your life.

We will be posting family updates via e-mail and FB and at our new blog: http://www.asongforrwanda.org