

Greetings MKs!

It feels like it has been forever since I have written you. We are close to the summer programs, and we are all getting excited! I am looking forward to seeing many of you in just a few weeks. You may be packing up your house right now—or just packing up your room, getting ready for your transition back to the States! Whatever the case is, I pray you are doing well, and ready for your move.

We have had quite a few tornadoes come through Springfield this spring. It has been a very unusual year. This week we are going to get over 80 degrees Fahrenheit for the first time this year! That is amazing. So much for global warming!

Last week I was talking with my neighbor about his storm shelter. He actually has a basement, which is completely underground, and surrounded by concrete. When they go down into their shelter, they are totally secure from any tornado that could destroy their home. They are underground! In our house, we have a “walk-out basement,” which has 1 closet that has 3 walls made up of concrete. It is not quite as safe as their basement, but still a decent storm shelter. Thankfully, we have not had to go into that closet at all! We have been downstairs many times, waiting for the “right time” to go into the closet—but we have never had to!

Here is what I have been thinking: Psalm 91:1-4 says, “He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress, my God in whom I trust. Surely he will save you from the fowler’s snare and from the deadly pestilence. He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge...” We have a shelter! God is our shelter. He is the perfect shelter that secures us on all sides! Does that mean that we won’t go through struggles or difficulties? No. It means His arms are around us. When you go through struggles and trials, allow God to strengthen you. Many times in the book of Psalms, God is referred to as the “Rock.” He is stable, solid, and powerful! You can trust in Him.

I pray that as you go through struggles you will look to God to be your strength. Place your trust in Him, and watch how He protects you! We are quite secure in our basement; however, we know that our true security comes from our father, and nothing man-made!

Keep in touch with us! Looking forward to seeing some of you this summer!

By the way, we still have room on the MK Missions Trip to Tanzania. If mom and dad have funds in their (00) – they can help substantially with the costs of this trip! Talk to you parents, and email me, if you are interested!

The music pastor at our church (Park Crest Assembly of God) has written a bunch of worship songs that he wanted all of you to know about. You can check them out at his website: www.brentshannonjohnson.com. If you have your own stuff online, or that I can send to other MKs, let me know!

Blessings,
Bwana Chad