

...and He determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live. He did this so that men would see him.... Acts 17:26

Do you have anything like that... that thing you grab onto and cling to with all your might, till your fingers turn white and you wonder if it will hold? This verse above has been a life line during this, our 5th term of missionary service.... Only 2 ½ years that somehow feel like a life time.... The twists and turns, joys and hurts, questions and changes have been constant and jarring. Yet the words and promises of my God have felt more personal, as if my Savior looks directly into my face and earnestly whispers, "Can you see me? I am in this!"

*Change and transition ...
though very much a part of our lives...
(we've counted 20 houses in our 22
years of marriage!) ... always seems to
shake us... no matter how much we try
to prepare for it!*

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If you have been following our story, you might remember that we set out in Aug. 2016 with great anticipation, to begin our new ministry in the Central African Republic. Only 8 months after creating a home and diving into friendships and ministry, we unexpectedly and hurriedly had to flee our new home. Recuperating in a peaceful corner of Kampala, Uganda, we were ministered to by our amazing leadership team, as we prayed and wondered what would come next. Sept. 2017 found us in Kenya working toward acquiring visas for a surprising, and much anticipated, new role--a return to our old stomping grounds... Mozambique! The Big Move to Pemba came on Oct. 14th 2017, and was filled with the fun of renewing old friendships, and discovering how much had changed. We set up home as soon as possible and once again, dove into life, refreshing our Portuguese and KIMwani, and exploring with excitement the possibilities we saw for the many peoples still unreached by the gospel of life. **And let me tell you... we have LOVED being back in this land!**

Throughout this time, our children have been attending boarding school at the Rift Valley Academy in Kenya. One of the reasons Mozambique seemed like a good option for our family is the easy access to Kenya. With direct flights to Nairobi, we thought we could base here in Pemba and make regular visits to our kids at school. However, as you can imagine, the events of our past years have taken a toll on our family emotionally, spiritually and physically. It has been profoundly painful for us as parents to be separated by such distance while trying to comfort and counsel one another. As we look at some of the deeper things God is revealing in our family, we feel it is vital that we no longer live separately. Through much prayer and counsel, we have decided to move to the Rift Valley Academy. The school has been so supportive, kindly allowing us to base there, so that while our kids have the stability of remaining in their environment, Steve can continue his responsibilities as Northern Mozambique Unit leader, making visits back and forth, while Sharon invests into RVA.

- Our plan at this point is to move to RVA the beginning of January, 2019, and transition out of our job as Unit Leaders of Northern Mozambique, gradually investing more and more into RVA until July 2019, when our daughter Krista graduates from RVA and we head back to the USA for home assignment.

*Sometimes I cringe as I think of letting go of yet another home, friendships, joys, hopes... and the tears flow... but then I'm reminded of the promise I've been given ... "He determined the exact times and places..." and verse 27 declares... "God did this SO that men would seek him....He is not far from each one of us, for in Him we live and move and have our being." So, I grab hold and trust and lean into the One who is writing this story: **Jesus you are my home.**

AND we are GRATEFUL!

* We get to have our kids under our roof again... no more agonizing goodbyes in the school parking lot! *



had such renewal here in this beautiful
land of Mozambique

We've had the joy of walking
with the Costa family
and helping them prepare
for leading the new
outreach team that is to arrive
February! We have become friends
and we can't wait to see what God will do
with this dynamic family!



There are two more families and two single ladies on their way! Please pray for them!



*We've witnessed God's
movement in Namputa, to the
south, where AIM
missionaries work in training
pastors and lay leaders.



*We've been filled with joy to
learn of Mwani's worshipping in
churches here in the city, and
several are reaching out to their
own people as missionaries.

**We've stood in awe of our God as He has used our colleagues in the north to
train and send out Mozambican missionaries to areas untouched by the gospel.*

**We've seen the power of God's word as our neighbors here have
been listening and responding to the truth they are hearing.*

*And to top it all off... We will get to work and minister back at RVA--a school we love! WE have always had a burden for missionary kids and we are thrilled to be given the gift of returning to this special ministry!

**So... there you have it! Another big move for the Entwistles
and another chance to exclaim... God is so good!
We are grateful to you our faithful friends, and family.
We are beyond blessed to have you standing with us.
Forever Grateful, Steve and Sharon Entwistle**



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