Dear Family and Friends,

I have been asked to co-lead a small medical team from our church to Kenya from April 17th through the 25th. I'll be serving the medical and dental group by taking care of logistical and shepherding needs.

Our church, Grace Church, has partnered with Bernard Kabari Mwangi for over 7 years. Bernard is a native of Kenya and is a dynamic person who is a gifted leader, discipler and teacher. Our partnership with Bernard and Aberdare Baptists Convection (ABC) in Central Kenya gives Grace another opportunity to work with an organization that shares our vision – making mature disciples of Christ and equipping people for a life of spiritual passion. Since 2008, Grace has sent several teams annually to Kenya focusing on pastoral teaching, church leadership training, and medical care. These teams serve alongside members of local churches and pastors. Our goal in Kenya is to expand our partnership with Bernard and ABC through partnering with local churches, training pastors and leaders, and equipping the church of Kenya to address the needs of its people. We believe our opportunities for service in Kenya align well with our strengths as a church – biblical teaching & training, and serving through hands-on ministry that provides basic life needs.

Our team will work with the local church providing basic medical care for people who have little to no access to a hospital or even a clinic. The medical team will see as many people as they can from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm for four consecutive days. This is a great opportunity to encourage, empower and lend our tangible support to the local church that is positively effecting change and taking part in the holistic redemptive process of Jesus Christ in Kenya. Please call me or e-mail if you have any questions.

I am asking you to prayerfully consider assisting me with your prayers and financial support. I understand that some of you to whom I am sending this letter may not be in a position to assist financially, however I wanted you to be aware of what I believe is a God ordained stretching of my faith. I covet your prayers. I would ask that you would pray for our safety, health and most importantly effectiveness in supporting, not hindering, Bernard's ministry.

I need to raise approximately \$3,000. If you are in a position to help me financially, checks can be made out to Grace Church and sent to 2801 Pelham Rd, Greenville, SC 29615. In the memo line please put NAME - Kenya April 2015. If you would prefer you can give online using the following link. <u>http://gracechurchsc.org/contact/online-giving</u>. Select the one time gift tab, and once again in the drop down memo line type NAME - Kenya April 2015.

Thank you for your prayers and support,

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Date