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A New Challenge in Africa

Since he officially joined TWR in April 2009, Andrew has coordinated expansion of Unreached People Group (UPG) ministry. While this was important and rewarding work, he's had a growing desire to express more of his creative side. In July, Andrew began serving as Communications Manager. This change should greatly benefit TWR Africa. He leads a small but talented team who handle graphic design, web design, video editing, social media and other PR and marketing work. Interestingly, Andrew's last UPG project was writing a magazine for Communication Support Services (CSS) to explain the ministry in West Africa and help raise funds for future ministry. Now he leads this team.

Please pray CSS is able to set the right course for the coming year and give God glory for the great things He is doing across the continent.

Fun with Facial Hair

One of the lighthearted things we've been doing is seeing who likes big beards more. Andrew took a month's break from trimming his beard in late April and was going to trim it when Holly suggested a wager. He's been growing it ever since and whoever says it's time to trim first declares the other person the winner. The prize is dinner at a restaurant of the winner's choice so it's a win/win bet.



WEST AFRICA UPG
MAGAZINE COVER
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The Wonder of God's Creation

July 20th, Holly completed a five-week course called *Astronomy & Design*. She explored concepts related to the biblical and scientific data about the origin and design of the universe. This is her third online course as she pursues an advanced certificate in science apologetics for evangelism.

It's amazing to learn more about the workings of the universe like nebula left over from exploding stars. Nebula are pretty to look at but how they work relates to God's amazing care for humanity in creating a uniquely just right planet for us to live.



BEARD IN MAY



BEARD IN AUGUST



CAT'S EYE NEBULA

Departures and Returns

A part of missionary life seems to be always saying goodbye. Coworkers often become close as we socialize outside the office with people who understand the need for connection, since our families are far away. In His wisdom, God often leads these dear friends on to different adventures. In the photo below are our friends Barbara and Bob Bartz. Over the past nine months, we've spent several weekends with them at the home of mutual friends (Andree and Derek.) So I'm glad that someone mentioned years ago that "no two Christians ever say goodbye for the last time." It's an important point to remember.



ANDREW, HOLLY, BARB, BOB, ANDREE & DEREK

We're very thankful to welcome Ryan Seal and his wife Elyse at this time. Ryan and Andrew have been good friends for the past six years, but he left two years ago to get married and raise enough support to start their life together on the mission field. We all look forward to forming a strong bond of friendship to help each other through whatever may be ahead.



ELYSE & RYAN

Thank you for your prayers and support,

Andrew & Holly

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Did You Know?

The world's largest diamond was the Cullinan, found in South Africa in 1905. It weighed 3,106.75 carats (1.37 lb.) uncut.

It was cut into the Great Star of Africa (530.2 carats), the Lesser Star of Africa (317.40 carats), and 104 other nearly flawless diamonds which now form part of the British crown jewels.

The Lesser and Greater Star of Africa are set into the Imperial State Crown and Sovereign's Scepter respectively.

