

## THE HAAS HAUS





ABOVE: CAPE POINT

DAVE, BECKY, HOLLY, ANDREW, MARCIA, BARB & MIKE



## Nearing the End of Africa

2015 is the best of times and the worst of times for us. In December we're scheduled to start our USA furlough to raise support. However, God has made it clear to both of us that we won't return to Africa. Apparently we're needed elsewhere. There are many unknowns but we hope to remain with TWR, so later this year, Andrew officially applies to serve a role at TWR's Headquarters in North Carolina. It's exciting to think about new possibilities as well as living closer to family. But South Africa (Johannesburg in particular) is known as an inexpensive place for an expatriate to live. So in 2016 we'll start raising a larger amount of support to be USAbased. We'll still be "missionaries on a field" but many see their financial and prayer support dwindle when they leave Africa because many supporters think "serving Stateside" is somehow of less worth. I assure you, God does not agree.

Holly will complete her introductory online Hebrew course in April. Andrew is done adjusting to serving as Africa Communications Manager but in six months he'll be preparing to leave this new role. We pray the Lord sends his replacement soon so there is some handoff and continuity. Please pray that we can "finish well" here in Africa. We'll keep you posted as things develop further.

## **Vacation with Family**

Holly's parents Dave & Becky (a.k.a. "Pops & Mombee") already knew that 2015 would be our final year here, so they decided to escape to Africa from the Michigan winter for a couple weeks one last time. It was their fifth visit. They brought along two aunts and an uncle for their first trip to South Africa.

## **Vacation Snapshots**

It's helpful to make a memories with family while we're still here. When we're "back home in America" (whatever that means) too few people know our experiences well enough to appreciate what Africa means to us.



We did a horseback safari one day to a noncarnivore area of a game park.



Thank you for your continued prayerful support,

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Table Mountain from Cape Town's waterfront at sunset