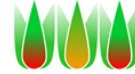


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Pastos Verdes

Mozambique



Muerasse Newsletter November 2025 - February 2026

From a very wet Lichinga! We wish everyone a late, but very Happy and Healthy New Year.

"The Steadfast Love of the Lord never ceases, His mercies never come to an end: They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness." (Lamentations 3:22-23). It is so good to know that the Lord is constant and doesn't change even when our circumstances do and that we can trust in Him!

The Boys

Over these few months we've had lots of birthdays: Herondino turned 15 in October, Sumair 13 and Edi 11 in November, Domingo 16 in December and Estevão 14 in January. We celebrated each month, as a PV family, with a special meal, cake, singing and prayers as usual!

The boys and Juditi (Esperança's daughter) had lots of drama practise, so that they could performed the nativity story to the village children at the Children's Club party. They did really well, with some of them taking on two roles, as our year 9 boys couldn't join in due to exams.



The boys had two parties at IECAVI church – a children's one for Christmas and helped out in the New Year service too. They had a good Christmas day with a special meal, gifts and a film in the evening at our friend's house – Rafaela and Ananias.



They received many visitors over the school Christmas holidays too. Two families came, one to bring a take away lunch and the others brought clothes. The Local Council brought clothes, a local Catholic Church brought food, prayers and words of encouragement and the Governor of Niassa with Social Services came with words of encouragement and football kits for all the boys.



All our boys have passed their school year and start their studies again at the beginning of March (a month later than normal). Our year 9 (now 10) boys managed to pass too despite having had to retake their exams due to a leak on the exam papers in the south of Mozambique!

Children's Club

Before breaking up for the long School Holidays we had our usual Christmas party. We expected about 120 children to come, but 150 turned up and we ran out of food. There was enough for the children, but our boys and Judithi had a treat/trip out after clearing up, as there was none left for them!

We had sports day type games, singing, the boys performed the nativity drama, then party food and prayers. We'll be starting again mid/end of February just before school starts.



Mums and babies



Lisa received a huge amount of baby clothes from a friend who runs the Scout Group near to her parents' house. She also managed to bring lots of knitted sets and socks back from the UK that her cousin and auntie made/gave. The cupboard is full again!



Preaching and Teaching

Lisa preached for the first time at a church in Nomba village, that's been started and run by a Brazilian missionary couple. She taught from Luke 9:57-62 about the cost of following Jesus and how we are to surrender our lives fully to Him, taking up our cross daily and being living sacrifices... The church gave her and a visiting missionary two matching sarongs each after the service, singing and dancing as they presented/put them on them to wear!



A missionary friend had been teaching about children's rights and child protection to the INTEL (nearby Bible School's) Students and on her last week there they received certificates and she asked Lisa to come and share about PV's work with Orphans and the village children.



Team and general news

Esperança and Botomane will step down from serving at PV at the end of February, as their ministry and church responsibilities increase and they are unable to work with us now.

We are pleased that we are about to receive three new team members in February. Lisa will be training them up and teaching them how the ministry programs work. These team members need sponsorship to cover basic living costs as they serve as volunteers here. If you could pray and/or help with this, please contact us for more details.

Rafaela and Ananias helped us out lots, by covering the necessary work of PV whilst we were away. They have their own mission work, but have offered to give PV the equivalent of one day a week's work. Rafaela will continue with therapy with the boys and Ananias will extend pastoral teachings and care to the workers on site, the boys and the village lads that come to play basketball here.

We are thankful to the Lord for these helpers; however, we still need at least two overseas volunteers to cover other ministry areas.

We've had excessive rain this rainy season and in December our food garden flooded and came right up to the boys' home kitchen/dining room. We lost all of our vegetables but everyone was safe. Sadly, the bridge over the river flooded and several houses collapsed, our local barbers/convenience shop flooded too. We are all ok now but the middle and southern parts of Mozambique are in crisis. Over 430+ schools are under water and many people are displaced with their homes and everything in them destroyed. So, the schools will start a month later than normal because of this. Please be praying for all affected.

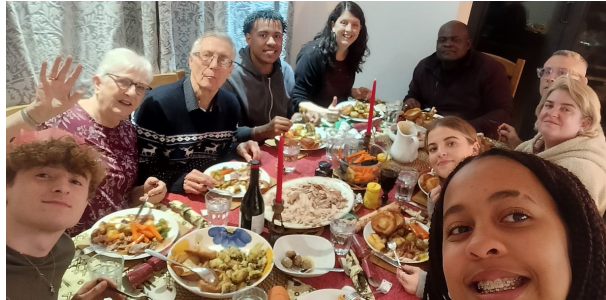


We have wanted for a while to have a sign to direct visitors to the Boys' Home, as there are many private homes on the same site. It has finally been finished and mounted!



Family Life

Our UK trip went well, although we had a funeral and some other sad news too. We were still able to celebrate Christmas with Lisa's brother's family and her parents at his home though and have new year celebrations with cousins.



Hali passed her year 10 exams (GCSE equivalents) and starts her year 11 in March (like A-Levels). Miah is finishing off some projects to complete his second year at college (2025) and starts his last year of electrical training soon.

He managed to finish his practical work (1 month) and join us in the UK later on with Orlando. It was a challenging time of finding a placement, which he did at the local airport and actually getting started, but he was able to complete his year.



Please pray for...

- Protection for us all at PV: Spiritually & Physically
- The new team members to learn and work well with us
- Provision of 2+ overseas (English speaking) volunteers, that we still need to complete the team
- Sponsorship to come in for these new Mozambican volunteers
- Lisa to be able catch up with work, train the new team members well and get all the preparations needed done in good time for the Home Assignment trip to the UK mid-April
- People to respond to the Gospel as we love, serve and share with them and that those that have responded would grow in their faith as they follow him
- The halfway house furniture making... and the preparation/training that Marcio and Domingo need to manage a home/life to go well
- Wisdom to know how to deal with difficult situations that often arise here due to: dishonesty, lying, stealing, laziness and the like.

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