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Blink and it's gone – July, August and now half of September. How does that happen?! It seems to be the yearly pattern – we hit Forma'Camp and life just flies by, then suddenly it's the middle of September! So to catch you up very briefly...

3DCC

Huge thanks to all who prayed us through Forma'Camp. We have received encouraging feedback from some of our campers, so we thought their words would be a worthy description of how it went:

"For sure I thank you a lot, you became special people in my life. You helped me grow well in wisdom and spirit and you made me remember the responsibilities I have for the work of God. May God bless you. What you taught me is changing my life and not only my life but even my friends." ~ Regis

"We see Jesus feeding so many people [John 6]. Thank you so much 3DCC for feeding us for 9 days. Even when there was contribution on the campers part it was like us giving you 5 loaves to feed so many, then God multiplied to feed for 9 days. May God bless you for going above and beyond. May we also keep the same spirit when we organise camps." ~ Dickson

2 Corinthians 5:17

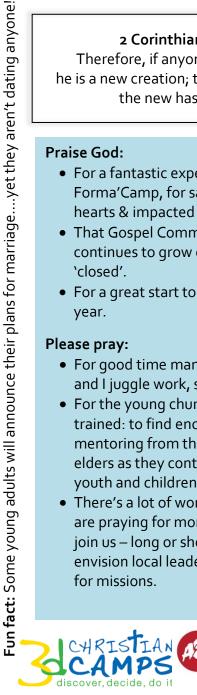
Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

Praise God:

- For a fantastic experience at Forma'Camp, for safety, challenged hearts & impacted lives.
- That Gospel Community Church continues to grow despite being 'closed'.
- For a great start to the new school year.

Please pray:

- For good time management as Pete and I juggle work, study and kids.
- For the young church leaders we have trained: to find encouragement and mentoring from their pastors and elders as they continue serving the youth and children in their churches.
- There's a lot of work to do here. We are praying for more people to come join us - long or short term - as we envision local leaders and equip them for missions.





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Lake Kivu continues to be one of our favourite places to spend time. Kumbya gives us a whole week to enjoy the water and the views.



Pete continues to adjust to his role as Unit Leader. He is also focusing on AIM's vision for this year of mobilising locals to get involved in missions and continuing to disciple some of the young men who have completed camp.

Play Therapy

I'm enjoying my new role at KICS and the challenges and joys of supporting kids from a variety of backgrounds. It's certainly keeping me very busy, but I'm loving that I still get to teach (every class K-5, once a week) but also work 1:1 with kids and use my play therapy training. I'm also seeing a few kids at Lighthouse Counselling (formally Live Again Rwanda) and recently had the opportunity to sit on a panel to discuss kids counselling thanks to Sana Initiative. Study is going well (very appreciative of all the prayers around that!). I'm almost done with the pre-requisite subjects and hope to start my Graduate Diploma of Psychology in February.

Family

Once again we enjoyed the rest, relaxation, teaching and opportunity to connect with friends at Kumbya Conference. We enjoyed it so much that Pete has agreed to be the Convener for Kumbya next year! We said goodbye to little Jubilee after caring for her for 72 days – it was a hard goodbye. Please pray for her and her family as they all adjust to life together. Flora, who we have taken care of in the past, joined us in August while her mum is home in Australia for a bit. The kids have made a good



start at school and we're looking forward to seeing how far they come this school year. Thanks for all your prayers and for partnering with us in the work here; we appreciate you immensely!





Top: Forma'Camp 2018

Bottom: A new school year begins

Our 'extra' girls