

## They Made It!

We have been having an exciting time around here. I was told that the permits for the tractor and the sawmill would run out in April. So on faith the new Legal Representative, Pita, and the sawmill operator, Mulonda, went to the town of Mwenga. That is where Ed had contracted with a property owner to cut his trees. Our payment will be an equal amount of trees to cut. The church people began clearing our portion of the path into the woods and only asked for \$300 to feed everyone that was working. It was a great bargain so I took it. On Thursday, December 5, at 5:45 AM the Nissan Patrol and the tractor left my driveway. They went to the big container where we store the sawmill and hooked it up. They had a lot of trouble on the road. On a good trip it should only take 5-6 hours to get to Mwenga. The trip yesterday took 16 ½ hours. At one point the sawmill almost slid off the road but they kept it on. They are exhausted but very happy to have arrived. I just learned that Mulonda, the tractor, and the sawmill are all safely in the woods and getting set up! Please join me in thanking the church that sent the money to move on with this project and praising God for watching over the work.

Thanks to the generosity of the same supporting church that sent the money for the sawmill project I was able to have the wall around my property raised higher and now razor wire is being installed at the top. This will help keep any thieves or anyone wanting to do harm out of my yard and house.

The new, taller wall in front of my house.



We now have 21 new mamas at Tracy's Heart Center. For the teaching they are receiving right now all 21 are coming each morning. I have been helping the church leadership with a garden project out of town. In exchange for that help they set aside a portion of the garden space for Tracy's Heart Center. I took a vanload of people out to see the garden on December 4. The garden is 9 hectares, which is a little over 22 acres. One hectare or 2.47 acres was set-aside for THC. Everyone was laughing when we saw that the corn planted on THC.s acres was much taller than all the rest! It is all doing well but Tracy's Heart Center's has been especially blessed.

We held a two-day seminar at Tracy's Heart Center to teach the church leaders and pastors how to use the Moringa Tree for food and medicine. After teaching them all the uses we went outside where each person planted some seeds to get more Moringa Trees started. The Moringa has many, many uses and is full of vitamins. We will be planting some in my backyard and out of town in the garden. Even the three highest church leaders were down in the dirt panting seeds!



I hope you are enjoying the Christmas holidays. May God bless each of you. Love, Brenda