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"The Lord will guide you always; He will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden like a spring whose waters never fail." Isaiah 58:11 (NIV)

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It was my privilege last week to work alongside the CMF-Turkana team and six Turkana men to figure out how we could jump start a Community Health Evangelism program in the area. If I could use but one word to describe life I witnessed in Turkana, Kenya, it would be ... "harsh." Blistering sun. Severe drought. Scant vegetation. Parched desert plains. Dying animals. Hot, dry wind. Precious little water.

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The Turkana are pastoralists – roughly 340,000 in number – who live in the Rift Valley province of arid northwest Kenya. Livestock is at the center of their nomadic economy. Cattle, goats, and sheep = prosperity and security. Their social alliances and even marriages depend on it. Turkana maintain a very close social and family structure where relationships sustain their communities. Mobility is a key feature to life to search for water and pasture ... a strategy of survival. It is these harsh conditions of their environment that make them a proud, self-sufficient people who are reluctant to give up their way of life.

So can CHE be of help in a place like Turkana? More on that soon! For now please be lifting that in prayer, as well as a few other things on the near horizon:

- October 12-16 Health, Agriculture, Community and Culture Conference, ECHO (Educational Concerns for Hunger Organization), Ft. Myers, FL
- October 26-31 FAME sponsored CHE training (TOT I), Camby, IN
- November 12-14 Global Missions Health Conference, Southeast Christian Church, Louisville, KY
- November 19-22 National Missionary Convention, Peoria, IL

Much love and many blessings as we partner together,

  
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