

Missionaries	Chuck and Amy Bemm
Field	Kenya
Birthplaces	Chuck: Lawton, Oklahoma Amy: Geneva, Illinois
Education	Chuck: University of Illinois-Champaign, BS; University of Chicago Medical School, MD; Cincinnati (Ohio) Children's Hospital and Medical Center, General Pediatrics Amy: Illinois State University, BS in social work; University of Illinois-Chicago, master's degree in social work; University of Cincinnati, BS in nursing
Experience	Pediatric care, medical intern training, MK education, orphan ministry, community health and development, discipleship and mentoring, social work, children's church ministry
Testimony	Chuck and Amy and their seven children serve Jesus Christ at Tenwek Hospital in Kenya, East Africa. Chuck was led to Christ through Campus Crusade at the University of Illinois, and Amy was led to Jesus through a friend inviting her to church after graduate school. During medical school in Chicago, Chuck felt God's direction to use medicine to display Jesus' love by caring for the poor. After finishing residency and nursing school in Cincinnati, Chuck and Amy moved to Pittsburgh, where Chuck worked as a pediatrician at an inner-city Christian health center. They began attending a Christian & Missionary Alliance church, where God grew their call to be missionaries. Several years later, while at a medical missions conference, they felt God drawing them to Tenwek Hospital. They have served there since 2004.

Tenwek is a mission hospital that was established in the late 1950s and has grown to be a referral and training facility for rural southwestern Kenya. Because Tenwek believes in caring for the whole person with excellence and compassion in Jesus' name, both in the hospital and beyond its borders, Tenwek also has numerous training programs: nursing school, chaplaincy school, and internship and residency training for physicians.

Chuck is the pediatrician for the hospital and has helped direct the training of medical interns. Amy helps teach the many missionary children in the Tenwek homeschool co-op. Together they work closely with Kenyan leaders and pastors to ensure the spiritual and physical needs of vulnerable and orphaned children around Tenwek are met. These children may be at one of the four local children's homes or living in families. They come alongside these families, frequently working with the local church or Tenwek Community Health and Development to build homes, initiate small businesses, and produce food. Some orphans also receive assistance with school fees. Chuck and Amy also foster babies who have been abandoned or lost their mothers after childbirth.

We praise God for: the knitting together of our family; the opportunity for Abby and David to attend Rift Valley Academy boarding school; God's excellent provision for Tenwek and for us while on homeland ministry assignment; faithful supporting churches and people; and the privilege of serving Jesus at Tenwek.

Please pray for: Tenwek Hospital, as it grows, to keep Jesus the main focus (and for us personally too!); our marriage and parenting; physical protection; Abby and David at boarding school; orphans to commit their lives to Jesus as they see His provision and love; and profitable, intentional mentoring relationships and discipleship with the Kenyan people.

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