

# TELLING THE STORY...



## *What were you doing? How did it go?*

For the past 5 months, the organization I am with sent me around the country to various colleges, universities, and other gatherings to speak specifically about One-Story. I met several people who were very curious about One-Story, and at least two have signed up to go with One-Story this year! There are others who are seriously considering it. At different venues, students came up afterwards and said, "I really want to do this, where do I sign up?" One girl said, "I heard about this two years ago, but didn't do anything about it then. I recently told God that if I could just meet someone who has actually done it, then I would seriously consider going. And look, now I've met you!" My talk generally ended with this statement, "I cannot wait to see what languages are represented in Heaven because of you!" I'm staying in touch with a few of the folks who are going or considering going – I really can't wait to hear of their adventures and the people that hear about our Father because of their obedience!

When I wasn't speaking (I was in airplanes or a home of someone with my organization), I was busy uploading email updates, and entries from my journal from the past two years, to a blog. I wanted to provide curious students with something that gave them an even bigger view into what One-Story is. This would have been so helpful to me! If you want to check it out, or pass it onto someone who might be interested, the website is: [www.elizabethasia.blogspot.com](http://www.elizabethasia.blogspot.com)



## *What are you doing now?*

I am currently transitioning from the One-Story speaking tour to working on an assignment to create a set of Bible Stories in English, that can be used for a variety of ESL contexts – in this country and hopefully overseas. The broad goal is to develop the stories at a sim-

ple level, yet still maintain Biblical accuracy. My plan is to craft some stories, test them with someone who doesn't speak English very well, then rework them. This fits well with my teaching background, as well as one of my long-term goals to combine ESL and story-

ing in some way. I am also dialoguing with my current boss about possibilities for an assignment in the recruitment department. This would allow me to continue with my present company, and also give me time to seek where He wants me to go next.

**NOTE: THIS IS MY LAST HARD-COPY NEWSLETTER. If you do not already receive my newsletters via email and would like to, please email me. If you do not have an email address, please let me know.**

## *Re-Entry to America...How's it been?*



Honestly, I have enjoyed being in America the past 8 months. I spent a lot of time praying about this before coming back, and think God has been gracious to me – it really hasn't been too much of an adjustment, and I think I've been able to embrace life here just as I did while in South Asia. Since I've been back, outside of travelling and speaking for One-Story, I have enjoyed communicating in English and being understood the first time I say something, cutting the grass, painting my room, eating watermelon, ice cream, cookouts in the backyard, 24 hour electricity, and of course just being with my family – all things I missed out on when I was in South Asia.

*(Picture: My brother Mark and me drinking smoothies!)*

## *What are you doing next?*

I have been asked to go to Africa in September or October, for about a month, to do a story training for some national believers there. I would be working alongside of an existing AIDS project that is going on there. While Africa is not necessarily a place I considered before, it does give me additional experience in training nationals in storying – something which I thoroughly enjoyed while in South Asia. There is still a lot to work out with this—Please pray with me about this possibility. For the Fall, I'm not sure what God has planned me. I'm still seriously considering Central Asia/Dry Land, and have continued to stay in contact with the folks I met there.

**Storying  
in  
AFRICA?**

### **P & P**

\* PRAISE HIM for the students who heard about One-Story in the past 5 months and PRAY about how HE might use them to reach the nations.

\* PRAISE HIM for the opportunity to serve in Africa, and PRAY about what purpose that opportunity might have in my life.

\* PRAISE for transition into my new role of crafting stories in English for ESL purposes, and PRAY for the non-English speakers with whom I might get to share Stories.

\* Don't forget to continue to PRAY for the Kahani people – that they would continue to listen to and tell His Stories and follow Him!

\* PRAISE for my Grandma's health! Thank you for your prayers for her! She is doing better! (pic below)



*Picture: On vacation with my family—eating at an African restaurant!*

Partnering with you,

*Elizabeth*

