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Marigat is a fairly large town about 4 travel hours northwest of Nairobi. There is one paved road, plenty of small stores, and even more goats. While we were there we stayed at the Marigat Catholic Mission, which along with the Irrigation scheme gives a great deal of hope to the town as a whole.



They are some of the best people in Marigat. The sisters at the mission were wonderful, as they kept us fed and busy, whether it be at clinic or helping at St. Francis School. Our free time was spent with the Youth Group, who made our stay in Marigat very fun and exciting.

I never knew who we would meet at clinics! The school kids were so friendly and always ready for a picture. The donkey was a little more hesitant..





Our days were spent working at mobile clinics. This was the Marigat clinic, which was set up in the church on the mission grounds. Marigat clinic could get very busy, as many women and babies came in from all over for immunizations and check-ups.

My job at clinic was to fill the prescriptions written by Sr. Margaret, the nurse, which basically involved dispensing everything from chloroquine to folic acid. I also helped give oral polio immunizations.



I learned so much about myself and met so many wonderful people while I was in Africa. I could not think of a better way to have spent my summer. . .