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Dear Margante & Josh,

We are having one fascinating experience after another. We've been here to work in Lagos and despite the inconveniences (no water sometimes, humidity & heat, inefficiency & lack of punctuality) we're enjoying it. We're living in the hospital compound in a suburb 15 minutes from Lagos. Lagos itself is a busy city teeming with people, noise, color, traffic jams & accidents. We spent a week up in northern Nigeria collecting blood samples - only 5 flats on our trip which is a story in itself. We were 6 plus a baby plus driver in an old Volkswagon bus on the road for a day and a half. Part of it all is like Africa of the movies - revolving ceiling fans, mosquitos netting over the beds, & stewards to cook and clean (I'm getting spoiled) We'll leave Nigeria next Tuesday for East Africa to see the animal parks. The only animals we've seen so far are goats - then on to Tel Aviv

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and Athens & then home by July 7<sup>th</sup>.

Norm's research project has been going very well despite the many difficulties and he's just turned on by the whole African scene.

Love,

Midge & Norman