KYRGYZSTAN: WHERE WE MET A MUSLIM PEOPLE WITH OPEN ARMS



"Maybe the most memorable moment ...was when the men on our team were invited to share a drink and a toast with the men in the house (of our translator). Kurt offered a wonderful toast and to our delight, our translator's father offered his own, which concluded with a genuine invitation to eat a meal. The offer was tempting, especially when there was mention of roasting a whole sheep for us, but we respectfully

declined. They did not send us away empty-handed, however. We left with tomatoes nd apricots and other fresh produce from their garden. It could be a great blessing to return to this home and to eat with this family. Doors are wide open to reach and love the local people who welcomed us with arms wide open."

- Jason & Abby, Talbot Graduate Student & Special Ed Teacher