ANC Comics of the baby in womb

Here are possible comics with ANC messages. I did this example art just to demonstrate the idea. If the ideas are worth pursuing, I will look for more gifted artists to do over. Please suggest improvements to the text and humor.

Womb with a view

| I’m hungry       | Mommy, please send down some more beans and vegetables. I need a meal, too! | Sometimes I have to remind her that she is eating for both of us! |

[Should have womb same size, but baby gets larger.]

Hi there.
I eat food here too.

Womb with a view

| Mommy, please go to the clinic for those anti-worm pills. | I’m the only guest invited into my Mommy! |
Mommy, remember that when you get a mosquito bite, we both get malaria!

*OR*
Even if the mosquito says it does not have malaria, please sleep under your bednet anyway!

[Image should be close-up of mom’s shoulder getting a mosquito bite, but not this close.]
[Option: add an enormous mosquito biting the baby’s shoulder]
[Option: show mom under bednet with voice coming from her womb]

image from: http://www.flyingblueclubafrica.com/binaries/content/gallery/fbcom/fbcomafrica/Article+content/using-stinky-feet-to-fight-of-mosquitoes-and-malaria-article.jpg

[Punch line adapted from a John Mayer joke on *Comedy fights Malaria*]

Or:

- *Our house should be for our family, not mosquitoes!*
- *A bednet is kind of like a womb for mommies!*

**Womb with a view**

Hey, what is going on out there? Is someone trying to shake me out early?

Mommy, please do not do heavy work while I am in here, and be sure to rest extra.

I need more time till I am ready to meet you and Daddy!

*Options:*
• 1st frame could show mom working
• 3rd frame: I cannot get my beauty rest while my whole world is shaking!
• 3rd frame: You will have plenty to carry once I arrive.
Womb with a view

The food in this womb is good, but I need even more to grow strong!

Mommy, please visit the health facility for the vitamins I need.

It can be a hassle for Mommy to get to the health facility, but I’m worth it!

Options:

- First frame has mommy voice saying, “I have so much to do, and this pregnancy tires me out!
- 3rd frame shows mom at health facility and voice coming from her womb

Womb with a view

Mommy, have you been to the clinic for your HIV test?

No, I am not calling because I want you to avoid getting me sick.

I love you. If you have any disease, I want you to get treatment so you can be my mommy a long time!
Womb with a view

Daddy, soon I will need you to be strong and protect me from dangerous animals. Now I need you to be strong and protect me by letting the health facility do its job.

Sometimes it is easier for my Daddy to fight wild animals than to survive when my mommy is at the health facility, but he is strong enough to do it!

Options:

- 3rd frame shows mom at health facility and voice coming from her womb
- 3rd frame: Barak Obama is the strongest Luo man in the world. I bet his kids had good health care before and after they were born!
- I knew my Daddy was a strong and powerful man!

Q: Will any dads see these comics? Is the message coming through?
Mommy, have you been smoking or spending time near a smoky cookfire with the windows shut? | Smoke is not good for you, or me either! | Smoke can’t get in my eyes, but it hurts me anyway!

Alternative for the first frame:

Mommy, have you been drinking untreated water? | When you drink water with germs in it from someone’s poop, I get sick as well! | Mommy should not bring poop in with the water. There will be enough poop in the house when I arrive!

Note: Will integrate cigarette better with the picture, if this approach is promising.
Womb with a view

Hey, it is almost time for me to get outta here, but is everyone ready? Who will watch the other kids when Mommy goes to deliver me? What happens if I get stuck – can they pay to get Mommy and me to the hospital? What if it is night-time – I cannot see the sun, you know!

Mommy, did you arrange everything to get me out safely?

Oh, you already have a birth plan that answers all my questions? Wow!

I’ve been planning to meet my Mommy and Daddy for nine months. It is great they have been planning to meet me, as well!!

[The third frame is supposed to show the baby headed out; beyond my ability to draw]

[Option: 3rd frame shows mom at health facility and voice coming from her womb]

The third frame could stand alone, almost

Options for all comics

• Baby can be bossier, like a drill sergeant.
• We can hold a contest for better punch lines, funnier images, different messages, etc.
• For a Luo audience, mention that “Barak Obama’s children had…” or “…did not have…”
• Salome suggests: We can use a pregnant mother’s photo with the baby speaking from her womb. The size of the baby can remain the same.