

# Assiduous August

## International Day

18 hours before the event eminent thunderstorms threatened the completely outdoor, no backup plan event! Through the Lord's wisdom and the gracious staff of Remington's Event Center, we were able to hide from the storms and welcome the nations.

Despite the stormy weather, students from 25 countries poured in and a global community formed right here in Springfield, MO. The students and locals shared a meal, played classic American games and watched performances by the Red Bridge Bluegrass Band, Petra Ballet Company and Real Encounter BMX riders.

We continue to pray that the friendships started at the event would continue to grow and that no student would leave the US without experiencing the gospel. International Day was a beautiful picture of God's sovereign hand and his desire to gather the nations.

To Him be all the praise for what has happened and what is yet to come.



That the deaf may hear...

Plans for the outreach to the deaf of Botswana are shaping up. With much prayer, patience, and promise, we are beginning to see each little detail fall into place. Throughout our trip, we will visit 3 deaf schools in three different regions of the country. The Lord has assembled a beautiful team of deaf and hearing that all come with incredible gifting and a unified heart for the deaf to know their King. Your prayers are still greatly needed in regards to finding housing in the city of Maun and arranging ground transportation for the team during our stay. Also please join us in prayer as we seek the Lord's divine orchestration of the ministry that will happen.

## SETTING SAIL

A few months ago, I shared a little about the vision trips we had on the horizon! Well the horizon seems to be quickly approaching. This December we will be headed to South East Asia to meet a new unreached people group. We will be going with a larger group and start out with a week of ministry in the city working with college students. This will give us time to adjust to the culture and settle in. Then, during the second week, a small group of our staff will travel to a more remote location and meet several unreached people groups.

"Some sat in darkness and in the shadow of death prisoners in affliction and in irons...He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death and burst their bonds apart." Psalms 107:10;14 These people groups have lived in isolation from the gospel. They live in a mountainous region and are held by the bonds of animism and Buddhism. We are so excited for what the Lord will do during this time and for the long-term ministry that will be developed. We pray that the Lord would clearly reveal a creative access to allow us to work in and around these regions. Our loudest cry is that the Lord would begin to BURST bondage and push out the shadows and lies written on this people. We pray that He would mark them with His truth.

## Awareness

As we venture into South East Asia, we begin to look at the sin that strangles these peoples and the freedom and promise the Lord desires to bring to this land. South East Asia has a beautiful culture, but they are plagued with opium addiction. This addiction removes their desire to eat or drink, completely alters their mental state, degrades their teeth and eventually leads to death. This is a work of the adversary to cloud their hearts and minds from their Creator. Pray that the Lord would free them from this bondage and provide jobs outside of the opium industry. Please pray that the Lord would direct us in ministry to South East Asia!

NOTE: In light of stewardship and in respect of my piggy bank, I would love to have your EMAIL so I can send my updates to you electronically.

From my heart...

“Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.” – 1 Peter 2:2-3

Yesterday I sat in the park as a toddler “ran by”. You know the kind of running where arms flail and each tiny stride takes all their might. Off balanced and unsteady, they charge ahead with an uncanny face of frustration and determination. It took me back to the days of watching my mama’s hands form braids and stir hot chocolate, when all my fingers made were tangles and spills. I remember practicing for hours and then giving up hope that my hands would ever embody the grace and talent of my mother’s.

Then I recalled that magical day where I neatly wove three strands of hair and I swirled a spoon with out a splatter. Physical coordination takes time. Muscles must strengthen, the brain must be trained and the body develops in such a way that the unachievable suddenly becomes natural. At age 4 I could not will my fingers to braid, regardless of my understanding, observation and practice. But at age 10, all of those observations and practice came to fruition as my physical capabilities caught up with my desires.

Perhaps we have a sense of spiritual coordination as well. Those moments where you want to act in a certain way, have knowledge, speak naturally out of the overflow of your heart, but all that comes out are flailing arms and frustration. Perhaps we need to fully accept God’s grace through our growth and settle in for the process of sanctification. Perhaps it’s not about over practice and working for perfection, but about feeding on all that is good and true and holy; feeding on Christ love and His word. Just like our tiny bodies, as we continually feed on good, sustaining, life-giving milk we may just walk into a beautiful stride.

My brother got hitched! I gained a great new sister, Tara, and a ton of memories at their amazing wedding.



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### Lessons Learned in Support Raising

#### 1. Support Raising is tough

A regular paycheck and benefits can be tempting. Support raising brings you to a whole new level of dependency and humility. While these lessons are tough they are irreplaceable to my spiritual growth.

#### 2. Support raising is a blessing

Often times when I think about support raising and the work it takes I forget the immense blessing. This summer has given me a chance to reconnect with a lot of my team members. I get to share in the lives of so many incredible people and their never-ending support and encouragement area constant blessing. I am humbled to be a part of such a beautiful community.

#### 3. Support raising is team work

Support raising is not about me. I started with the mindset that support raising was the Lord’s plan for my provision, but it is really a team of believers coming together. It requires the body of Christ to join, intertwine and invest in one another so that a people may know His name. I’ve learned I’m not alone: my supporters are sharing the heart and mission of what is happening here. Together we share in the harvest

#### 4. Support raising is not finished

This process takes time. Longer than I desired, but in the Lord’s perfect timing. I am currently at 45% of my monthly support goal. This means I still need \$1500 in monthly commitments. I am so thankful to the incredible team the Lord has developed and I anxiously await those who will jump on! Support raising is a process for everyone so if you think the Lord may be asking you to join this team I would ask that you spend time in prayer. If you decide to join the team then send me an email, text, phone call or facebook message. I would love to talk to you personally to share my heart and more about what the Lord is doing with this support team. If you have questions on how to give do not hesitate to ask!

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