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Harvester

Dan & Heather Litchfield, guiding people to Christ with Thrive Adventures



Youth Night

“Come on; let’s go into the back where it’s dark and fun!” I called to the kids at youth night. We had been assembled at the altar of the church, where the only lights were on, and had been listing our sins. With each sin, kids were required to move one pew toward the back of the church. That is where I—the “sin master”—was waiting to keep them entertained and to boss them around, ensuring that they stayed away from the lit cross at the front. Meanwhile, Dan was inviting kids quietly one at a time to come up front and leave their sins at the altar. Those who did were encouraged to persuade their friends to also leave the dark and come to the front to give their sins to Christ.

“I didn’t know who to believe,” said one student at the end; “I thought they were trying to ruin our fun!”

The kids were excited to make connections between the activity and our spiritual walk. “That is exactly what Satan tries to do!” gasped a seventh grader as he drew conclusions. The event ended with kids discussing ways to help each other live in the light.

More Than a House

The huge project that has taken up much of our time these past two months has been the addition to our house. We are building a second story to add some living space, along with a garage for both vehicles and storage space for ministry gear. Above the garage we have planned a large open meeting room so that we can host conferences and events and guests. Our desire is to minister from our home, offering hospitality and spiritual growth. As we work, we are praying for the Lord to fill this space. We are grateful to the family and friends who are helping to build this home and ministry from the ground up!

Your prayers make a difference. Thank you.

Youth Night

Nov 28

Pray for fruit as we reach out quarterly to the youth in our community.

Church visits

Nov 3, 18

Pray that the Lord will speak through us and we will share His message.

A Life of Love

Please pray that we would follow the Lord with love, faith, courage, and discernment.



Ministering in the Mess

New Zealand Connection

Dear Kiwi friends, Al and Linda, spent a week with us this past month while our roof was off. Fortunately they were up for an adventure! It literally rained into every room of the house. We were eating lunch at the kitchen table while water poured all around us. Aliza described it as a “backwards flood.” Even so, we were able to laugh together, lift one another up in the Lord, and plan for future partnership in New Zealand.

Weekly Guests

I had no idea how many people vacation in Acadia! We have been immensely blessed by the spontaneous visits of friends from all over Maine, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Vermont, New Hampshire, and Maryland. Dan tore up the dining room wall to make more space at the table, which has given us a wider berth for hosting—but eliminated the pantry. Fortunately we use up food almost as fast as we bring it into the house! ☺

Homeschool Co-op

One of God’s gracious provisions has been the homeschool co-op that we are part of, along with about thirty other families. I have been teaching a Maine Studies course and two spiritual formation classes which are completely experiential. My hope is to help these students practice relating in grace and truth, taking responsibility, and living in community as the Body of Christ. The high school class has 21 kids. Please pray that God will use this class to develop the next generation for His glory!

Equipping the Saints

For the past three weeks we have been visiting churches: giving sermons, teaching Sunday School, and speaking as visiting missionaries. Even Caleb and Emma have had the chance to give presentations about their mission trips. We are grateful for the continued support of the church in the midst of this ministry transition. We are eager to serve the church, too, by offering adventures for spiritual growth and by training people to be spiritual guides in a broken world.

