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Advancing the Gospel through
Christian Education Worldwide

August 2026 Family / "All In" for a New School Year

Dear Friends and Family,

August has brought the beginning of a new school year, meaningful opportunities for ministry, encouraging family milestones, and a few unexpected challenges. Through each of these, we continue to see God's faithfulness and remain grateful for your prayers, encouragement, and partnership.



Light Purses, Steadfast Hearts

Tannia recently had the privilege of facilitating a session for the Hispanic women's Bible study at The Mountain Church in Sandy, Utah. It was a **wonderful time of fellowship and spiritual encouragement**. Her teaching, "Light Purses, Steadfast Hearts," was based on Isaiah 40:29-31 and explored the biblical **theme of active waiting**. The session focused on the picture found in the Hebrew word qavah—waiting on the Lord in a way that binds or "braids" our hearts closely with Him.

Rather than seeing seasons of waiting as empty or inactive, Tannia encouraged the women to recognize them as opportunities for God to renew our strength, deepen our dependence upon Him, and prepare us for what He has ahead. We are **grateful for opportunities like this to connect** with and encourage believers in our new community.

Continued Recovery

My recovery from knee surgery continues. It has taken considerably longer than I had hoped, but I am **seeing progress and am grateful for the improvement**. Thank you to everyone who has prayed and checked in with me. Continued prayers for complete healing, restored strength, and patience with the recovery process are appreciated.

"All In" at Intermountain Christian School

The new school year is here! Our theme at Intermountain Christian School this year is "All In," based on Mark 12:30 and its call to love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength.

Our desire is that this theme will characterize our entire school community—not simply in academics, but in our worship, relationships, service, and commitment to Christ. We are encouraging students, faculty, staff, and families to be **fully invested in the mission God has given us** as a Christian school.

Last night was our *Welcome Back Night*, and it was exciting to see returning students and families filling the campus again. Students were setting up lockers, visiting their new classrooms, reconnecting with friends, and meeting teachers. With food trucks, laughter, conversations, and lots of energy throughout the evening, it was a **wonderful reminder of the community God has built at ICS**.

Classes begin tomorrow, August 19, and we are excited for all that God has ahead.



An Unexpected Staffing Need

Just as we prepared to begin the year, one of our teachers unexpectedly resigned. As a result, **we are urgently seeking a Middle School STEM teacher**.

Only a few weeks ago, we were celebrating being fully staffed for the year, so this was certainly not something we anticipated. Please pray that God will quickly provide the right teacher—someone who loves Christ, loves students, and is prepared to serve well within our school community.

Praying for a Full Campus



We are also praising God that ICS is beginning the school year at approximately **94% of capacity**, and applications are still being processed.

This is an encouraging affirmation of the **growing demand for Christ-centered education in the Salt Lake Valley**. Please join us in praying that God will continue to bring the families He desires to ICS and that we will soon be able to celebrate a completely full campus.

Building Partnerships with the Local Church

One of my priorities since arriving in Utah has been intentionally building relationships with pastors and ministry leaders throughout the Salt Lake region.

Over the past several months, I have had the opportunity to **connect personally with more than 30 local pastors and ministry leaders**. I am grateful for these developing friendships and

continue to seek wisdom on how ICS can best partner with and serve the local church.

As the only accredited K-12 Christian school in Utah, I believe there is **tremendous opportunity for ICS to help advance the Gospel** and strengthen Christian families throughout the region. Please pray for wisdom, trust, and meaningful partnerships as these relationships continue to develop.



One Month Until Panama

We are now just about a month away from the Global Leadership Conference in Panama.

I continue preparing for the sessions I will facilitate for **school leaders gathering from around the world**. I am grateful for the opportunity to encourage and equip educational leaders and to share principles of trusted, Christ-centered leadership in an international setting.

Emma Earns Her Yellow Belt!

We also had an exciting family milestone this month as Emma earned her yellow belt in karate! We are proud of the determination and perseverance she has demonstrated as she continues to learn and develop new skills.

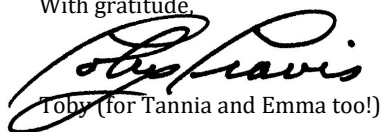
It was a fun achievement to celebrate and another encouraging step forward for her.

Thank You for Your Partnership

As this new school year approaches, **we remain deeply aware that our work in Utah and beyond is sustained through the faithful**. We remain deeply grateful for each person who prays for us, encourages us, and financially supports our ministry. Your partnership allows us to serve Christian schools, strengthen educational leaders, invest in families, and pursue opportunities to advance the Gospel through Christian education.

Thank you for standing with us as this new chapter continues to unfold. We are grateful for what God has already done and expectant for what He will do in the months ahead.

With gratitude,


Toby (for Tannia and Emma too!)



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