

TBM Events & Ministry Opportunities

At Tentmakers this spring, we have had many opportunities for ministry. We continue to have our Get Cultured events with the international students from the bible school. Recently we were able to host two roundtables for Frontier's Church Planting and Revitalization Conference. We also hosted a presentation with Behold Israel where they were able to share about their growing ministry. In March, we held our Envision Workshop at TBM including workshops on studying foreign languages, tentmaking in ministry, and doctrinal changes in ministry. During these events, Kara helps set up, make snacks, and make coffee (which is very important when dealing with college students and missionaries!), and

Nathaniel taught one of the workshops at Envision. Our next big event will be the Board Meeting and Candidate School in early May.

Kara has a new ministry this semester to lead devotionals with all of the girls from the bible school. This has proven to be a great opportunity to get to know many of the girls and to be able to pour truth into their lives. Through these devotionals, she has been able to meet one-on-one with

several of the girls and get to know them better. They are able to talk about the tough topics, and the girls ask Kara a variety of different questions and just talk through these issues. Kara is praying for further opportunities to continue this ministry next school year.



We will be organizing a Good Friday service at our church and finishing up our AWANA year with our fun fair and awards night in April. Kara is co-directing the VBS again this June, with a theme of shining Jesus's light. Please continue to pray that these programs will reach children's hearts with God's truth.

Traveling East Again

We are expecting to travel east in July. This is a change from previous plans for May, but a schedule change became necessary. We have hopes to visit Michigan, Virginia, and a few places in between during the first three weeks of July. We're hoping to see as many of you as we can while we travel.

Contact Info

We would love to hear how you are doing and what the Lord has been doing in your lives.

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Car Update

Thank you for your prayers regarding our vehicle. God provided for us to repair the van, and we are so grateful for those who helped with that process. It is drivable now, and with a few more minor repairs, it should be ready to travel across the country again. The Navigator suspension went out, too, but it ended up being a minor repair, so we are glad to have all our transportation running again.

<u>Trinidad</u>

Please Pray with Us!

- Praise God for a fruitful trip to Trinidad!
- Praise God for His provision for our vehicle repairs!
- Praise God for all the ways to serve Him!
- Pray with us for our summer plans, including VBS and family travel.
- Pray with us for future international travel opportunities.
- Pray for our family, that we would be effective and godly parents to our children.



The family with some goodies sent from the family in Trinidad.

Thank you for your prayers for our team that went to Trinidad in March. God provided for everyone to go, and it was a very profitable trip. We set out with the theme of encouragement, and that certainly went both ways. We spent several days repainting the church's main meeting room, replacing light bulbs, and cleaning and organizing several areas in the building. The church is glad to have their building clean and ready for a "fresh start," and we were so encouraged to meet the body of believers there

and see them serve each other. We served a dinner for the leadership and led a couple of services, including a youth rally. The skits we shared throughout the week were well appreciated, causing people to think about the truth they contained. By the time we left, there were certainly tears, as God had knit us together over ten days.



Some of our team with the church leaders

Thank you again for your prayers for this trip. I was able to learn more about the training of leadership while I was there and look forward to future conversations. Please continue to pray for upcoming international trips that are still being planned, perhaps in late summer and early 2024. I'll share more as plans are made.

Family News

The children continue to grow quickly. Ariana has really shot up in height this past year. She is about the same height as Juliana now, and both of the girls have almost caught up to Kara. The children are planning to be "done" with school this year in May. Juliana is finishing ninth grade this year and has enjoyed studying topics such as genetics and logic. Ariana is finishing eighth grade and is excited to be starting a new math curriculum. Cassandra is finishing sixth grade and Grant fourth grade. They are enjoying their science book this year that covers the six days of creation and has many fun experiments.

The children have a unique opportunity out here to hear from many pastors and missionaries from all over the world. They attend most of the meetings and roundtables that we have at TBM and are able to glean so much. Please pray for them that they will not take these opportunities for granted, but will use the wisdom that they learn to advance their own Christian walk.

As always, we would love to hear from you and how the Lord is using

you in your unique place. We would love to hear your specific prayer requests. We try to pray for each of you often, and we are so thankful that the Lord has given us such an amazing team of people.

Serving with you,

Nathaniel, Kara, Juliana, Ariana, Cassandra, and Grant M^eRae

