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Living the Adventure Ministries guides the way to a growing relationship with Jesus through mission experiences.

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Malawi Trip Coming Together

The schedule is coming together for our next trip to Malawi. In collaboration with Bishop John Chirwa, we are planning a Christian Ashram experience in Marka, one of the villages where we started microcredit and plan to distribute some audio Bibles. We will then travel to Nkhatabay, where we have our other microcredit ministry. At Nkhatabay, we will lead leadership seminars for church leaders, ordain four new pastors, dedicate a new building, and spend time working with the village leaders on visions for the future. Our trip will wrap-up in the Lilongwe area where we will spend time with mechanics, artists, tailors, etc. as we seek to proclaim the Kingdom of God to them, while collaborating on future training.

Please join me in prayer as we have a few people still praying about traveling with us in November. If this group travels with us, we will likely have medical clinics and hands-on teaching about motor repair and mechanics. If you feel called to travel with us, contact Matt (matt@livingtheadventure.net or 618-830-6670) to discuss the trip. We will depart on October 31 and return on November 15.

Summer Ministry Report

The Holy Spirit showed up in powerful ways during our summer ministry opportunities. I was blessed to travel to Berwick, Nova Scotia to serve as the evangelist for the Atlantic Christian Ashram. Nearly 350 people gathered for a six-day retreat where we spent time in worship, Bible Study, small groups, silence, recreation, and fellowship. There were at least two young people who decided to follow Jesus for the first time. There were reports of rededications, healing, and clear vision for the future. I was blessed to see some of the beauty of Nova Scotia before I headed back to the airport for my next ministry opportunity.

From Nova Scotia, I traveled to Vancouver, British Columbia to speak at the British Columbia Christian Ashram for two days and then to preach at All Saints Community Church on Sunday morning. The British Columbia Christian Ashram is a hybrid ashram where people from around the world join our sessions via Zoom. It was great to see some of our international ministry

partners (John and Annie Chirwa in Malawi) and meet new brothers and sisters in Christ. People who attended the Ashram responded well to the messages and felt they had a better understanding of the Kingdom of God.

After being home for a short period of time, I traveled to Philadelphia to lead the Grace-Trinity Church retreat. The retreat was held in the mountains north of Philadelphia and we were truly blessed with beautiful weather and wonderful times of worship and study together. Our focus was on Kingdom of God relationships, which there was a wonderful response. On Sunday morning, I had the opportunity to pray for relationships and to pray for healing through the ministry of anointing and laying on of hands. I look forward to more opportunities to work with the Grace-Trinity Church as we look for new opportunities to serve in mission together.

Night of Prayer and Praise

We will have another Night of Prayer and Praise on Sunday, September 21 at Benton First United Methodist Church in Benton, Illinois. The service will begin at 6pm and will wrap up around 7:30pm. The Night of Prayer and Praise is a 90-minute experience of focusing our lives on Jesus as we join our voices in singing and our hearts in prayer. We would love to see you there!

Join Us in Prayer

The Living the Adventure Board of Directors will meet on September 6. As we pursue God's call for our shared ministry, please pray for Nick, Alisha, Erica, Brad, Mark, Tom, Kevin, and Matt as they meet. We know God is using this ministry in powerful ways and we look forward to sharing some new ideas with you in the coming months.

Financial Support

We are grateful for your ongoing love and support for Living the Adventure Ministries. Your generosity and prayers make it possible for Matt to travel and proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom of God around the world. As we approach the end of the year, we want to invite you to help us end this year financially strong and set us up for some great opportunities in 2026? Contributions can be sent in the enclosed envelope or made on our website (livingtheadventure.net).

Upcoming Events

We are working on scheduling events for 2026.
Contact us to plan an event.

- Aug. 21-23—UCAI Annual Meeting (OKC)
- Aug. 24—Rush Springs UMC Pulpit Supply (OK)
- Sept. 6—LTA Board of Director’s Meeting
- Sept. 7-10—Woodbury Church Revival
- Sept. 14-17—Whitehall Presbyterian Church Revival

Haitian Art

At the Living the Adventure Ministries Office, we continue to sell metal art from Haiti. We offer a wide range of products, including garden stakes, jewelry, wall art, gifts and Christmas decorations and ornaments.

Each purchase supports our ongoing mission work in Haiti and around the world. Our office is at 652 Illinois Route 15 in Albion.