

# National School Project Shannon Storm

Summer is here and we are preparing for the 2019-2020 school year. I want to share some awesome stats of what God did this past school year in the lives of high schoolers across the nation. To Him be the glory!

- We had the opportunity to coach 104 schools this year.
- Those schools hosted 213 rallies, and went witnessing a total of 141 times! Over 10,000 students heard the gospel this year. How cool is that??
- As a result, 847 people indicated decisions to follow Jesus this year. That's over 4 students per school day. Praise God!

If I have ever had the privilege of meeting up with you in person to talk about what God is doing through National School Project, I've probably mentioned how I fully believe that we are on the verge of something BIG as a ministry. This year is just another confirmation of God's hand in this mission field. With that, we are preparing to reap an even bigger harvest next year by launching a new campaign. The **Meant for More Movement** is an initiative to give 1 million students the opportunity to hear the gospel in 1,000 days. National School Project has a big vision to reach *every* student. In order to accomplish that vision, we need to run hard and fast like lives are on the line, because they are. With over 3 million students graduating from high school each year, the time is now. We partner with ministries like FCA, CRU, and of course local churches to see more students come to know the Lord.

On a personal note, Devin and I exchanged our vows before friends and family on June 28. God is such a generous Father, and I am so grateful for the ways He has absolutely lavished His love on Devin and I in this season.

# Here are a few ways that you can be praying for us:

- Praise God that Devin and I are currently both fully funded! We are so grateful for God's provision in this area of our lives, and want to steward that well. Pray that we would steward our finances well.
- Pray that God would go before us as we prepare for *Meant for More* and gear up for the 2019-2020 school year. "Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain." (Ps. 127:1)

Isn't God good? So cool to reflect on His faithfulness over the past year. From getting fully funded, engaged, and then jumping into full time campus ministry... thank YOU for being here and for investing into this mission field with us. To God be the glory forever and ever!

Shannon & Devin



Congratulations to Justin & Jaclyn Miller on the birth of their daughter! Wrendalyn Miller was born June 17th.

She weighed 8 lbs. 11 oz. and was 21" long.

May God bless your family!

We'd like to offer our sympathies to the families and friends of:

Randy & Gloria Ringhand, and Chad & Brenda Ringhand. Randy's dad and Chad's Grandpa, Walter Ringhand, passed away on Saturday, June 29, 2019.

Doris Kampfer passed away Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup>.

May God comfort each of you and bless you with His peace.

<u>Israel Trip Informational Meeting</u> ~ There will be a brief meeting regarding the proposed 9-Day Trip to Israel being offered to MBC in April of 2020. We'll meet after the 2<sup>nd</sup> service **Today, July 21**st in the Nehemiah Center.

<u>Library</u> ~ The <u>summer reading program</u> will meet one last time this Tuesday afternoon, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 2-3 pm. We will begin the reading challenges again starting in August and going through October.

<u>Green County Food Pantry</u> ~ MBC is volunteering to be packers for the month of **August** at the pantry. We need 2 people every Monday afternoon, starting at 1:30 pm and going until 4 pm or earlier. The job consists of reading food off a pre-made list and putting it in a tote. If you'd like to help, sign up at the Welcome Center or contact Carol Larson, 608-558-1475.

<u>Child Protection Training:</u> Emails have gone out from <u>Protect My Ministry</u> to those who have signed up to help with VBS or the Fusion Chicago mission trip. Protect My Ministry is the online child protection service that our church is using.

- 1. You will need to complete the authorization email first.
- 2. Then you will receive a 2<sup>nd</sup> email with the training and quiz. You must do the online training and pass the quiz in order to be certified.

\*Please check your emails and your Spam folders to make sure that you are receiving these emails. Contact the Office with questions.

Community Celebration Service ~ \*Single service only on Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am at Twining Park, West Shelter (behind the Bandshell). Hotdogs and Brats will be provided. Please bring two additional generous dishes to share. This is a potluck – MBC provides the lunch for those in the community attending. Invite others and join us for food, inflatables, snow-cones, and cotton candy – All are Welcome!



# Sunday, July 28

The Gathering 9 am & Café 10:30 am Annual Congregational Mtg. ~ 12:15 pm, S Iglesia Biblica Service ~ 2 pm – 4 pm, NC VBS decorating ~ 3 pm

#### Monday, July 29

VBS begins ~ 9:00 am - Noon Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

### Tuesday, July 30

VBS ~ 9:00 am - Noon Library Open ~ 10 am - Noon & 1-3 pm Worship Leader Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

#### Wednesday, July 31

VBS ~ 9:00 am - Noon Women's Study ~ 6:30-8:30 pm, NC



### Thursday, Aug. 1

VBS ~ 9:00 am - Noon Iglesia Biblica Prayer Meeting ~ 6 pm, LL #101

NA ~ 7 pm, LL #102

# Friday, Aug. 2

VBS ~ 9:00 am - Noon \*Softball Schedule Change:

Team A – 7:30 pm, West

Team B - 7:30 pm, East

Team C Ump – 7:30 pm, East

Team C - 8:30 pm, East

Team A Ump – 8:30 pm, East

Team A – 9:30 pm, East

# Saturday, Aug. 3

Iglesia Worship Prac. ~ 5:30 pm, NC

#### Sunday, Aug. 4

Community Celebration Service ~ Single service at 10:30 am, Twining Park Iglesia Biblica Service ~ 2 pm – 4 pm, NC

# Monday, Aug. 5

Food Pantry Packing ~ 1:30-4 pm, Green County Food Pantry

# Week of July 21-27

# Today, Sunday, July 21

The Lord's Table The Gathering 9 am & Café 10:30 am Israel Trip Mtg. ~ noon, NC Iglesia Biblica Service ~ 2 pm - 4 pm, NC

#### Monday, July 22

VBS: Prayer/hand out invites ~ 4:30 pm Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

#### Tuesday, July 23

Pleasant View Service ~ 9:30 am Library Open ~ 10 am - Noon & 1-3 pm Library Reading Program ~ 2-3 pm, NC Board of Deacons Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #106

### Wednesday, July 24

Women's Study ~ 6:30-8:30 pm, NC

#### Thursday, July 25

Iglesia Biblica Prayer Meeting ~ 6 pm, II #101 NA ~ 7 pm, LL #102

#### Friday, July 26

Iglesia Worship Prac. ~ 5 pm, NC \*Softball Schedule Change:

Team B - 7:30 pm, West

Team B - 8:30 pm West

Team B Ump - 9:30 pm, West

Team A - 8:30 pm, East

Team A Ump - 9:30 pm, East

Team C - 9:30 pm, East

#### Saturday, July 27

VBS decorating ~ 4:00-7:00 pm

# **Prayer Focus – His House Ministry** Ministry Leader: Anna Ritschard Please Pray:

- 1. Prayer for direction on prioritizing and organizing necessary projects.
- 2. Thankful for a good ministry team!

Entire Bible	Family Plan
Dan 1-2, John 1	Mark 12:28-34
Dan 3-4, Prov 26	Matt 24:1-44
Dan 5-6, John 2	Matt 25:31-46
Dan 7-8, Psalm 119:65-80	Luke 22:1-38
Dan 9-10, John 3	John 14
Dan 11-12, Psalm 119:81-96	



This Week New City Catechism: Part 2, Question 44



Our Elders are prepared to answer your questions regarding the MBC Evangelical Free Church of America affiliation. Please see one of them prior to our Annual Congregational Meeting July 28th!

Annual Congregational Meeting ~ next Sunday, July 28th at 12:15 pm in the Sanctuary. We will be voting on affiliation with the EFCA. If you are a member in good standing of Monroe Bible Church and unable to attend this meeting, you may pick up an absentee ballot from the church office and sign the voting register. Fill out your ballot, place it in a sealed envelope, and return the ballot to the office any time during office hours before noon Friday, July 26th. Pick up your copy of the meeting Agenda, Treasurer's Report, and Ministry Leader Annual Reports at the Welcome Center.

**Deacons** ~ Richard Peach and Randy Whyte were previously Deacons and they have graciously offered to return to the Board of Deacons. If you believe either of these men do not meet the character and conduct qualifications outlined in 1 Timothy 3 and Titus 1, please bring your concern confidentially to an Elder Today, July 21st.

