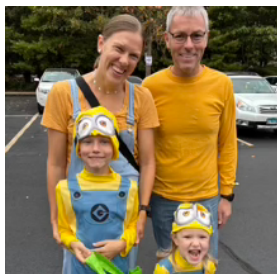


New Beginnings



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Fall Retreat Living on Mission

Hello! We hope this finds you well as October comes to a close. A highlight of October for us is always our annual Fall Retreat. For a number of years now we've joined with Cornerstone Church at Illinois State University. Cornerstone is a Collegiate church that Illini Life planted over 20 years ago. Our campuses being just an hour apart allows us to collaborate on a number of events, and this is a favorite.

This year 120 of us went away to a camp just outside Clinton, IL for this. We brought in a speaker from a Collegiate church in Texas to share about living on mission for Jesus. Over the course of the weekend we had time in large group sessions and some smaller breakout sessions to discuss the why and the how of missional living, seeking to be a light for Jesus wherever we find ourselves and sharing about Him with others.

The retreat wasn't all content though, there were deep times of worship, late-night board games, engaging prayer and reflection, and community-building small group discussion. Not to mention plenty of fun!

On Friday night we had a bonfire with s'mores and an impromptu worship night under the stars. Saturday afternoon there was pick-up basketball and a viewing of the Illini VS Ohio State football game. Sunday was the highlight for many, or at least for Nick, as he hosted 50 runners/walkers in the annual Krispy 5K, a race he's coordinated at the Fall Retreat for many of years now.

The retreat is always a fun and encouraging time for our family as we get so much concentrated time with students. This year, Micah, a senior who just returned to her faith, got connected to Illini Life and came on the retreat as her first event with us. Alissa really hit it off with her and we saw our sweet little 3 year old inviting and including this new student. Pray that Micah continues to feel welcome and rekindles her faith and passion to follow Jesus.

Support Need

It has been awhile since we have shared a support need thanks to so many of you giving so generously! In the past 3 months we have had a significant shift in our support though, with some having to reduce or stop giving. We're currently under funded by \$1,337 per month. We'll share more about that in the future; for now we invite you to pray for God to provide.

Prayer Requests

- Praise God for a successful and fun Fall Retreat.
- Pray for Micah to rekindle her faith and love for Jesus.
- For additional monthly support.

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