



# The Hamley Herald



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## Re-acclimating to Life in the States

We have been back to the States for over a month now, and we are finally starting to truly adapt to American foods and schedule. That's not to say that we don't sneak in a siesta every chance we get!

We spent our first month back visiting churches throughout North and South Carolina, Tennessee, and Kentucky. Right before we took ten days off for vacation, we visited with some churches in Erie area, PA. Judging by the number of slushy cups littering our car when we finished this first leg of our tour, we decided that Sonic should become our corporate sponsor!

## A Time of Rest for the Weary

After our whirlwind tour of the New South conference (Part I), we both went our separate ways to take some time relaxing, doing what we each love to do the most. For Michael, this meant braving the wilderness with his brother while canoe-camping in Ontario's Algonquin Provincial Park. The two spent quality time together canoeing on lakes and rapids, traversing 175 miles of the park on water and on foot (with a canoe overhead!) We are grateful that the Lord kept them safe in the wild and during the long drive home.



Carrie decided to spend her time with friends in Lansing, MI and then in Ventura, CA with folks she had grown to know and love at the Refresh conference we attended earlier this summer in Switzerland. The couple she stayed with were the conference hosts, and were delighted to host Carrie once more, showing her the best of their region, including Malibu beach, the Long Beach Aquarium, the Santa Barbara Zoo, and a stroll down the Walk of Fame in Hollywood. A few church members treated Carrie to her favorite activity in the world when they took her diving in the Channel Islands off the coast of Ventura. What a blessing to spend time with some amazing, godly people and have a chance to truly relax and unwind!

## Attention All Financial Supporters

We want to give a heartfelt thank you to all who have given towards our financial support over the past several years. We recently learned that many of you are finding it necessary to discontinue support due to unemployment and/or financial hardship. If this is the case (we pray it isn't), please let us know so that we can find someone willing to give in your place. Perhaps you could help us by praying for or finding someone willing to cover the amount you have been giving so that once our visas are issued, we are able to return promptly to the field.

## September Partnership Building Schedule

- Aug. 24–Sept. 3 VACATION! ©
- Sept. 6: Greensburg FMC, PA
- Sept. 9: Warren Co. Christian High School (a.m.)
- Sept. 9: Youngsville FMC, PA (p.m.)
- Sept. 10: Warren County Area Churches
- Sept. 11: Warren FMC, PA
- Sept. 13: Titusville FMC, PA (a.m.)
- Sept. 13: Sugar Grove FMC, PA (p.m.)
- Sept. 16: Franklin FMC, PA
- Sept. 20: Oil City FMC, PA (a.m.)
- Sept. 20: Light and Life FMC, DuBois, PA (p.m.)
- Sept. 22: Egypt FMC, Brockway, PA
- Sept. 23: Coudersport FMC, PA (area churches invited)
- Sept. 26–27: New Life Community Chapel (formerly Van FMC, PA), missions conference
- Sept. 30: Pine City FMC, PA

## Praises

- A beautiful wedding for Carrie's sister, and a wonderful time of fellowship with family
- Safety and enjoyment on our recent vacation

## Prayer Requests

- For our Spanish visas. The rules keep changing, so we have not been able to officially apply yet.
- For Carrie's sister Amy and Chris as they begin their life together
- For endurance, as we visit supporting churches



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*"Finally, brothers and sisters, pray that the message of the Lord would spread rapidly and be honored, just as it was with you."  
-2 Thess. 3:1*