



# THE BUTLER BULLETIN

| Fall 2024 |

Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think. EPHESIANS 3:20

## Greetings from the Sunshine State!

Things have been very busy for us since we left Ohio in the spring and began this new season of ministry as missionaries with Teen Missions.

## In May, we packed up our home in Ohio and prepared for the move to Florida.

We are living in Teen Missions staff housing (which has been a huge blessing), but it meant we had to do a significant amount of downsizing. It took several weeks, a few garage sales, countless trips to Goodwill, and the help of some amazing friends to get the job done! At the end of May, we were ready to go and hit the road to Florida.



The truck is packed and ready to go!

A few days (and many miles) later, we arrived at our new home. We were greeted with welcome signs and balloons in the house,

groceries in the pantry, and the Teen Missions staff ready to help unload the truck. It took them less than an hour to unload the truck that took days to pack!

We spent the next few days unpacking, but much of the work would have to wait until we returned from the summer in Taiwan.

## It was time to get ready for our team members to arrive at the Lord's Boot Camp!

For the next 10 days, we trained for the mission field with our three assistant leaders and 17 team members (including Nora). We were trained in personal

evangelism, puppets, music, drama, children's programs, cross-cultural ministry, etc. More importantly, we prepared ourselves spiritually for the task ahead with Bible classes, personal devotions, team prayer and the evening rallies. God moved in amazing ways in the lives of our team members!



Teams worshipping during the evening rally.

Craig had the opportunity to fulfill one of his "bucket-list" items by preaching at one of the evening rallies. (It's on YouTube if you'd like to see it - search "Teen Missions Rally, June 23, 2024"). Craig also taught Personal Evangelism classes and Sharon taught puppet classes. It was such a blessing to be used by God to



After our Commissioning service, we headed for Taiwan.

shape the lives of these young missionaries and prepare them for the work that God has planned for them!

## After our training, we headed across the world to the island nation of Taiwan.

The vast majority of the Taiwanese population follows Buddhism, Confucianism, Taoism, and traditional folk religions. Only 4% follow Christ and those who do, often face rejection from their family and friends.



Presenting a drama at Shout Camp in Fulong, Taiwan.

Our team served at three summer camps in Taiwan (Hallelujah Camp, Shout Camp, and Galilee Camp) where we shared the Gospel with the hundreds of children and



Nora handing out balloons in Taipei.

teenagers that attended—most of whom were not believers. The language barrier was challenging at times and our schedule was hectic, but God worked through the team to impact lives!

In between camps, we did presentations in local churches and children's ministries, cleared much-needed overgrown land at a christian campground, and experienced the beauty of the country of Taiwan from one of the tallest buildings in the world - Taipei 101.

Since returning home, we have been unpacking, settling into our new home, and working at the Teen Missions ministry headquarters.

Craig is working with the Program Development and Graphics/IT Departments and Sharon is working in the Promotions Department. Both of us are teaching classes in the Sojourner School of Ministry as well. Craig is teaching Homiletics and Sharon is teaching a Spiritual Life class. We will also be co-teaching a Minor Prophets class in the spring.



Sharon teaching at the Sojourner School of Ministry.

We are amazed at all that God has done in the last few months, and we are excited about the things that He has planned! We are thankful for each and every one of you!

Thank you for partnering with us in prayer and support. Please continue to pray for us as we work to mobilize the next generation of missionaries!

God Bless,  
Craig, Sharon and Nora  
Butler



At Taipei 101.

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## PARTNER WITH TMI IN MINISTRY

We are looking for **GODLY** male and female **LEADERS** **FOR SUMMER 2025!**

Register **NOW** for our required training seminar from **October 31 - November 3, 2024.**

Leaders are **VITAL** to TMI's Mission to "inspire and equip the next generation to proclaim salvation in Christ alone!"



Become part of the **TMI FAMILY!** See what opportunities are available and register for **'FIRST STEP' November 3-8, 2024.**



## REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR 2025 TEAMS!

Use your summer for **JESUS!** Where will **YOU** go?

Share Jesus in Bolivia, Colombia, Germany, Madagascar, Rwanda, Thailand, Romania, Mexico, Hungary, Peru, South Africa, Cambodia, Australia, or Uganda.



## INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

Volunteers hold a special place in our hearts. We have plenty of projects year round for men, women, youth groups, and churches.

We'd love to have you join our volunteer team!



## INSIDE: News from your missionary!

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# Ministry Update

## Zambia Hunger Crisis: A Call for Action

What can **YOU** do for the cost of one fast-food meal?

Zambia is facing a devastating famine. The government has declared a national disaster and emergency as a severe drought has ravaged the land, leaving thousands without crops and facing the threat of starvation. Even before the drought, **48% of Zambians** were already struggling with hunger. Now, children are especially at risk, suffering from malnutrition and disease. At Teen Missions, we are deeply committed to helping these vulnerable children. Through our **19 Rescue Units** in Zambia, we are currently providing care for **6,359 registered orphans**. Sadly, some children have grown too weak to walk to school or even reach our Units. Our 200+ dedicated staff are working tirelessly to meet these urgent needs, but **we cannot do it alone. We need your help.**

As our Zambia Country Coordinator, Oscar Chama, has shared: **"We can feed a child for a day with just \$1.00."**

**Imagine what your support can do.** By donating the equivalent of a typical fast-food meal in the U.S.—**\$13.00**—you can provide for children and adults in desperate need. That's 13 lives fed, 13 lives touched, and 13 futures made brighter. Your donation goes beyond filling empty stomachs; it offers hope, strength, and the chance for them to grow and thrive.



Our goal is clear: **to raise \$100,000 by December 1, 2024.** Every dollar of your generosity will go directly to the **Zambia Hunger Crisis Fund**, helping us provide essential nutrition to those who need it most. Together, we can make a life-changing impact. Every meal counts, and every dollar matters.



Bring hope to Zambia's children and adults. Scan the QR code or visit the Zambia Hunger Crisis page to give now.

**Please donate today.  
Together, we can help  
Zambia overcome this crisis.**



## An Exciting Partnership

Teen Missions is excited to partner with **Barnabas Foundation** to offer our supporters **complimentary planning services and assistance with complex gifts.** Since 1976, Barnabas Foundation has empowered thousands of individuals and families to enhance the impact of their generosity through tax-efficient charitable giving. Their expert team will work with you to create a charitable plan that honors God, supports your family, and benefits the ministries you hold dear.

Visit our **Planned Giving** page or email [shonnfoy@teenmissions.net](mailto:shonnfoy@teenmissions.net) to learn more.



The **2024 US Lord's Boot Camp** trained 200+ team members and leaders to **GO** share Jesus around the world! **HE IS WORTHY!** This is an awesome testimony from a team member: "It has been so great to **get closer to God** at Boot Camp. The tough training is **fulfilling the goal to help us grow.** We have **struggled** on the Obstacle Course as a team and have been disqualified for various reasons, but **we keep growing** and celebrate that today we didn't DQ. I am grateful for what **God is working in all of us** and it is sweet to see in the **worship time** at Rally and in **our team time at night as we pray for one another's growth** and struggles."  
-Mayah E.



Interested in reading the 2024 summer team reports?

Go to [TEENMISSIONS.ORG/trip-reports](https://teenmissions.org/trip-reports)