



# The Kelly Chronicles

“And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.”

Romans 8:28

## Greetings from the Kellys.

**We got back from Australia** at the end of January and it's been go go go since then. In the middle of February, I (Elena) traveled to New York for a small sightseeing/support-raising trip. I was born in New York, and it was fun being back again. My family toured the city and met up with a few different old family friends, we then drove back to Ohio together.



## I then spent two days with my family there.

It was a nice time together and we got to spend time with my grandfather whose health at that time was rapidly declining. After that trip, Judah got pretty sick with Strep Throat and a few other health things. His fever was 103 at one point! As you can imagine, it was a bit stressful. Towards the middle of March, we found out that my grandfather had gone to be with the Lord. He died peacefully in his home with his family. My grandfather, Pete, had been sick for a long time, and we are happy to know that he's no longer in pain and is with his Father.



**After that news came in**, we quickly bought plane tickets to go back to attend his funeral. It was a bittersweet time being back. It was nice being with family, but difficult to say goodbye. I was glad to see my grandfather get a proper military burial ceremony, as he had served in the Air Force. They had an American flag folded up and it was presented to my grandmother. In addition, a trumpet playing “Taps”.



**After that, we had a “spring break”** of sorts for a week with it kicking off with us going to a support-raising seminar. There we learned how to raise financial support, practiced scenarios, and learned the biblical basis for why we do. We met some cool people there in all kinds of missionary organizations, all over the world. Since that conference, we've been able to put those skills to use and see God work.



Our Table

**In our last newsletter**, we mentioned how we had been having car trouble and were praying for a new car. A few months ago we had a couple reach out saying that they had a car they were wanting to donate to someone. They gave us the car, which

has been a huge blessing. Thank you to them, and to all of you for praying for us.



**Recently we also started preparing** for our summer mission trip, this time to Tanzania. We are so excited to be head leading this team of 17 teens together and to be going back to Africa. We both have a heart for Africa and for these trips so we know it'll be great. We recently were able to purchase new boots for the summer because of some donations. We both had some old boots and they needed to be replaced. That was also such a huge blessing, and we are so grateful.

**We're also excited to tell you** all about our trip when we get back, I want to include lots of pictures in our Fall newsletter and all of the cool things I know God will do this summer. So keep praying for us, it means a lot

**Thank you so much for your prayers and support**, I know that God is using us here and we are so glad to be able to work with the Lord.

## Now ways you can pray for us in this upcoming season...

- Pray for our mission trip that will be starting in mid-June. Pray for energy and wisdom, and for God's hand to be on our team and ministry.
- Pray that God will continue to bring in the monthly supporters we need. We are below the budgeted amount we need coming in monthly,

but we trust God will provide.

- Pray for my family who will be moving to Florida at the end of May and joining staff.
- Pray for our marriage that we'd be able to grow closer to the Lord
- Lastly please be praying for my grandmother, losing her husband has been hard on her physically and mentally. Pray for peace and comfort as well as strength for her.

## The Kellys



A little card design Judah helped make recently

In the U.S. mail to:  
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Merritt Island, FL 32953  
E-mail: info@teenmissions.org  
321-453-0350

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I would like to have a part in the ministry of Judah and Elena Kelly

- \$\_\_\_\_\_ monthly pledge     \$\_\_\_\_\_ one-time gift
- I wish to be a Prayer Partner

Now you can donate online at [www.teenmissions.org/give](http://www.teenmissions.org/give)

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Note: In order for your contribution to be tax deductible, checks must be made payable to Teen Missions (the missionary's name should not appear on the check). Please enclose this coupon with your contribution to assure proper designation.

## Tough Gator 5K MUD RUN Highlights

On May 4th, over 600 men, women, and children came to brave the mud and obstacles to Run With A Purpose! Race participants enjoyed a great day of fun and fellowship. All proceeds from the race will help provide medicines, food, clothing, and spiritual aid to impoverished people worldwide. Lives are impacted because of the funds we raised from the Tough Gator Mud Run!



You can pray for Teen Missions using the free PrayerMate App. Download it today!



## A GIVING OPPORTUNITY

Tanzania would love to build a pavilion for their Sunday school in a highly populated Muslim area! Would you partner with us to provide a safe and secure place for them to gather? We are seeking to raise \$4000 for Tanzania.



## NEW VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

### Mount Sinai Youth Camp

JULY 15-19, 2024

We are EXCITED to be hosting 180 youth from multiple churches for a retreat while teams are on their projects. We will be sharing the ministry of TMI and 2025 summer team opportunities with them. Visit our volunteer page to be a part of this exciting week!

## INSIDE: News from your missionary! Springs 2024

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# Ministry Update

## Abby's Testimony - Learning A Kingdom Focus

"My experience with Teen Missions International was life-changing. The training started at the Lord's Boot Camp in Florida, where we learned how to live on the mission field and work together as a team. Even though Boot Camp was not easy, I enjoyed it as it united my team and prepared us for overseas. Besides puppets, music, and drama, we had classes on construction and how to share the Gospel. We lived in tents, bucket-bathed with lake water, and washed our clothes in buckets. Our training also included memorizing over 40 Bible verses during the summer. Every morning, 30 minutes was set aside for personal devotions. Devotions became a precious time that I looked forward to each morning. It planted a routine I continued to do after the summer. I learned how important it was to be in God's Word daily, and my prayer life grew abundantly because I had no choice but to rely on God.



On my first trip in 2021, the Lord taught me to serve in South Africa with a happy heart through long work days. We also went out to the local squatter communities to evangelize.

In 2022 on the India Leadership Development Team, we built a trench, gardened, and white-washed local churches and community buildings. We shared the Gospel in the villages and talked to the local Muslims and Hindus about the Lord. On this trip, I learned I needed to serve my team, and God taught me how to be a servant leader.

Each team goes through a unique experience that only those people understand. Growing together spiritually and experiencing hard things together brought my teams closer together. My teammates continue to be a source of prayer and encouragement.

I will be forever grateful that I said 'yes' to going on a Teen Missions trip. I cannot imagine my life if the Lord hadn't brought me here. I realized I need a Kingdom focus for serving the Lord and others."

\* Abby came back in the summer of 2023 and was an assistant leader on Costa Rica.

## The Lord's Boot Camp is Coming!

Pray for Unity, Spiritual Growth, and Safety.

Evening Rallies begin broadcasting from the Lord's Boot Camp via the web at [teenmissions.org](http://teenmissions.org) at 7:00 pm EST.

June 11 - Leadership Team Arrives  
June 18 - Preteen & Teens Arrive  
June 29 - Commissioning Service

## Pray for the overseas Boot Camps happening this Spring and Summer!

- Myanmar
- India
- Cameroon
- Indonesia (5)
- Madagascar (2)
- Malawi (4)
- Philippines (2)

## Volunteers are Vital for Boot Camp Success!

Join the team and help launch more than 250+ preteens, teens, and leaders into overseas MINISTRY! You make a difference!

