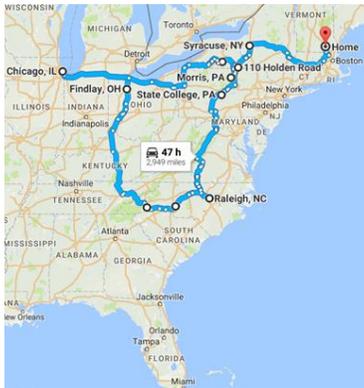


# November Update!

For some reason, I always think the fall will be less busy since we have a lighter school schedule, but it always seems like it's just a *different* busy instead!



The trip itinerary

For the second year in a row I took a trip in early September to visit young men who are now in college or who have moved. I visited students at **Penn State, Liberty, Cedarville, University of Findlay, Moody Bible Institute, Grove City College, and Houghton**, as well as current or former students and campers in **Raleigh, NC, Charlotte, NC, Hendersonville, NC, Morris, PA, and Syracuse, NY**. It was a logistical challenge, but on a 13-day trip that covered

over 3500 miles I was able to visit 27 young men, 4 college students who have come out in ministry with us, a former camper who is now a teacher in his early 30s, one of my college professors, 4 friends from college, and an older couple from my college church that invested in me! The time seemed to be valuable, so it has become an annual trip. 😊



Dr. Mackey, my most influential Grove City professor, now teaches at Liberty University



Lunch and recess!

Our school schedule began the week after I returned. This fall we have visited **Mt. Hope Christian School** (Burlington, MA), **Holden Christian Academy** (Holden, MA), **Mount Zion Christian School** (Manchester, NH), **Christian Life Academy** (Danbury, CT), and **South Shore Christian Academy** (Weymouth, MA). It has been a season of transition as Pam has largely stopped itinerating with Coastlands and instead is focusing more on fundraising, board development, and ministry at the house. This is also a good time of year to attend students' soccer games as well as get together for pizza, Five Guys, etc.



Dinner with Tanya and KK: KK is an 8<sup>th</sup> grader who's fighting brain cancer – she and her mom inspire us all!



These young ladies organized a bake sale last spring to raise money for my car. When we were at their school this fall, they decided to do it again to raise extra money for our team!



Approximately 2000 people attended the CCEF conference.



Joni Eareckson Tada, paralyzed from the neck down since a diving accident 50 years ago, spoke twice and was the conference highlight.

In mid-October Pam, Cassie, and I were equipped for more effective ministry at the **CCEF (Christian Counseling and Educational Foundation) conference in Chattanooga, TN**. It was the best conference I have ever attended and was the most appropriate for what we do! We plan to make this an annual trip, and I strongly recommend it for anyone who has an interest in helping people. On our drive home, we stopped at **Lancaster Bible College** to meet with 4 different staff members. Our goal was to begin making connections that will hopefully eventually lead to LBC graduates joining Coastlands. When I visited Moody Bible Institute on my college trip, I set up our display there as well; however, I ultimately decided it's too far away for us to build ongoing relationships. I continue to look into a few more ministry schools in the Northeast with whom we may be able to connect. *More team members and increased funding are our two greatest ministry needs, and your prayers would be greatly appreciated!*



Garrett, who is now out of high school and taller than me, moved to the Chattanooga area in middle school. It was a blessing to get together with him while there!

In early November, I attended a retreat at **Monadnock Bible Conference**. It was a refreshing few days. Last week Cassie, Emily, and I set up our ministry display at the **ACSI teacher conference in Lexington, MA**. Although our schedule is typically full from January through May, we could use 2-3 more schools in the fall, and the conference is a great opportunity to connect with potential schools. It's also so much fun to see teachers from many of the schools to which we already go. On Thursday, we even had the staff of Berkshire Christian School over for dinner – they drove an hour and 50 minutes through Boston traffic to get to Covenant House!



Our ministry display



The Berkshire school staff at dinner

Thanks for all your prayers and support, and I hope you have a meaningful Thanksgiving!