

May 2025 News

Meet the Interns



At the end of May, these four interns will join MI for the summer. We begin our time together building relationships and developing the team over at Englewood Christian Church, and with a day trip to the Rapha Cottage. We will engage in nine days of training. During that time, our subjects will include leadership, skill training, Asset-Based Community Development, and the interns will begin working on some activities for the Mission Indy weeks they are responsible for.

We will discuss the book *Practicing the Way* by John Mark Comer during our time together and dig into several of the “One Another” passages, motivating us to love the Lord and each other in a more visible and enduring way. We will visit some of our ministry partners, including Englewood Christian Church, Impact Old Southside, Outreach and Victory in the City.



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Here is little background from each Intern as well as the place they will be serving & learning when not leading Mission Indy Participant Groups.

Hi, I'm Evelyn! I was born in Thailand but was raised in New York. I moved to Indiana in 2018. I am a junior at Indiana University (Indianapolis) studying accounting and finance. I like to crochet, paint, and love to read. I love helping people and finding good things in everything. In the future, I hope to have a business of my own if God is willing. I'm very excited about this opportunity with Mission Indy and looking forward to working with my family in Christ.

Evelyn will serve and learn with Shepherd Community Center in the Summer Program for elementary kids.

Hi, I'm Liana! I was born and raised on the south side of Indianapolis. I'm a rising Junior at the University of Indianapolis! I major in Information Systems & Applied Business Analytics. After college I would love to help smaller businesses thrive with my analytics background and help them reach their full potential. For fun, I love to spend time with friends & family, cook, & read. Since I was little, I always dreamed of opening my own bakery! I'm so excited about the opportunity to work with Mission Indy this summer.

Liana will serve and learn at Wood-Mizer, a leading manufacturing company for wood products machinery.

Hi, I'm Lilly. I live in Indianapolis and attend Depauw University, where I am majoring in theatre and minoring in musical theatre. I do not know what the future holds for me, but I love acting, singing, drawing, creative writing and talking about politics and religion. I enjoy running occasionally. Crocheting, and going to the zoo to see giraffes (my favorite animals). I am looking forward to a summer filled with ministry, worship, and time to grow a deeper relationship with God!

Lilly will be serving with Chapel Rock Christian Church in Youth Ministry and Worship Arts Ministry.

Hello! My name is Van Par. I am from Indianapolis, but I pursued my studies in criminal justice at the University of Evansville. Now that I have completed my degree, I am eager to become more involved in my community and serve in any way I can. Looking ahead, and if it is in God's will, I plan to continue my education by attending law school. In my free time, I enjoy playing volleyball and diving into a good book. I am truly excited for this opportunity to grow in my relationship with God and to connect with others who share the same passion and purpose.

Van will serve at Outreach Indiana, working with homeless young people between the ages of 14 and 24.

Please pray for them to have health and strength throughout the long summer. Pray also that each will have a great experience at their ministry placements so they can gain experience and see how God is using them.