

Upcoming Events in BC and ON!

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"You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you, in a dry and parched land where there is no water."

Psalm 63:1



Hello friends!

It's hard to believe that it's almost the end of summer and fall routines will be upon us again soon! I am excited to continue to settle into routine in married life, and in our new church community. For life at GAiN, the onset of fall always brings our busy project fundraising season! I will include more information on that below. I hope you had a wonderful summer and are also looking forward to a change of pace as September starts.



Upcoming Events (Abbotsford and Toronto)

This year I have once again been on our fundraising planning team, and I always enjoy helping to plan these events. We will have events in both BC and Ontario! The events will be centered on the theme "A Day in the Life", focused on the lives of women and children in Benin, Togo, and Tanzania before and after they receive access to clean, potable drinking water. I plan to be at all three Abbotsford events, and I'd love to see you at one if it works! Here is more information on all of them:

September 23: Paint and Scoop in Abbotsford

September 25 and 26: <u>Dinner Event in Abbotsford</u>

October 2: <u>Paint and Sip in Toronto</u>
October 3: <u>Dinner Event in Toronto</u>

Although I am excited about all of the events, I am most excited about our Paint and Scoop in Abbotsford. This event will be in partnership with artist Jennifer Tinsley, and with Banter Ice Cream. Tickets for all of the events are limited; please let me know or RSVP on the website if you would like to attend. I'd love to see you there!

Summer Students

This summer I also had the opportunity to mentor two students and I really enjoyed it! Together we worked on a few research projects, a project report, writing stories from the field, and much more! I enjoyed the enthusiasm these two young ladies brought, and look forward to seeing how it impacts their life!

Prayer

It feels like a season where there is a lot going on, and a lot to pray for. I ask that you please pray for:

- The nation of Benin is reporting increased instability in the North, and we
 have even pulled our team out of one project area. Please pray for the
 safety of our teams, as well as peace in the country.
- The Disaster Assistance Response Team is currently deploying to Ukraine. Pray for their safety and the impact that they will have.
- Please pray for Adam and I as we continue to settle into married life together.

I also would love to keep you in my prayers. If you have any specific prayer requests that you would like to share, please use the link below to send it to me.

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