



Happenings

Dear Family and Friends,

Thank you!

Thank you for all of your encouragement this last month since I told you about the changes that I am doing for Youth Challenge! I have been so grateful for the supportive prayers and comments you have spent on me. My first week at the school was a good one. I had a few curveballs thrown at me but overall, I am excited to keep going. I would ask you to continue praying for all of the schools, teachers, and administrators who have to make decisions daily that are so different than in the past. Please pray that God gives wisdom and clarity on things that sometimes seem very confusing.

Camp Machasay

We are so thankful that we were able to have horse camp in August. It was very hot! But everyone was so glad to be there and the campers who came had fun and learned a lot—both about horses and about God and how much He loves them! We will be having our second horse camp Sep 11-13. Please pray for the campers and staff coming that they would experience the love of God in ways that are clear and without doubts!

We will be having a second Pasture Golf Tournament on Sunday, October 4th. Please contact Mike Frazier if you would like to sign up a team!

Bible Quizzing

Quiz teams have started practicing over the last few weeks! It is so great to see kids back together memorizing God's Word. They are quizzing over Matthew 8 for junior quizzing and the whole book of Matthew for the year for teen quizzing.

It is Not too late to get involved! If you would like to check quizzing out, let me know and I can get you hooked up with a team.

I am still in need of table officials for our quiz meets! The dates for our quiz meets are:

JR Quizzing—September 19th

Teen Quizzing—September 25-26, November 7, January 16, and February 20

Please let me know if you can help on these dates!

Personal Giving

If you aren't already, would you join me in this ministry by giving monthly? You will be joining many others who get to be a part of building the only TRUTH that matters—God's Word—into the lives of the kids around us and helping them grow in their faith!

Personal Notes

Grace is officially in Junior High! We are so thankful for the normal start she has had to school this year! She is loving being in a new building and she has one of her closest friends in her assigned group/class.

Finn and Abby were supposed to start school on the 24th but due to some virus concerns, they had to delay a week. They were disappointed after looking forward to it all summer but had good attitudes. Please pray that they have a positive start to their year as well! Abby will be starting Kindergarten!!! And Finn will be starting 2nd grade!

With Love in Christ ~Amanda

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Please pray:

- Our marriage/family
- Horse camp
 - Sept 11-13
- Pasture Golf Tournament—October 4th
- Quiz Season—Pray that we have enough table officials to do our meets and that the quizzers grow in their faith through what they are memorizing!
- Personal monthly support—Needs to grow by \$2700 per month

Partner with Me

By Mail: Send a check to Youth Challenge, PO Box 11, Holyoke, CO 80734 (Designate it for Amanda)

Online: Go to www.youthchallenge.us and click on the Donate button at the top right of the page. It will lead you to give electronically by credit card or by e-check. Just click Amanda LaGrange on the allocation list.

FAQ's about financial support:

~What is support?

Financial support is a way to contribute and share in spreading the love and truth of Jesus to others. Most often people think of financially supporting overseas missionaries to third world countries. Financial support is giving of resources that God has provided for you and partnering with others in the church body.

~If you are not an overseas missionary, why do you need support?

I am what is known as a domestic missionary. I work for Youth Challenge which is a youth ministry set up like a mission's organization. We are not affiliated with any specific church. We are only able to do what we do by people giving to our ministry because they believe in the need that we are trying to fill.

I work diligently to minister in the job that I love. How I get paid for that work is by people partnering with me on a monthly basis. I need you to join me in this ministry. My current needs are for monthly financial commitments to get my support level up to the amount that's required by Youth Challenge which is \$4000 a month. Right now, I am at about \$1100 a month.

~What needs are there in our rural area?

Think of different people you know in your neighborhood, community, and church. Do you know someone who is hurting? Think of kids of all ages in your area who are from broken homes. There is a lot of darkness in our area. The problem is that a lot of people in our small communities believe they are Christians but don't know who Jesus is or what He has done for them. They don't know that they can trust Him and be comforted by Him because they don't know Him personally. Do you know how many people are hurting in our churches and in our schools? Do you believe that these people need the love of Jesus to shine light in their hearts? That's what we are trying to show them by the work that we do.

~Is it biblical?

Yes. Many people throughout the Bible lived and worked being supported by others. David, Nehemiah, the disciples, Jesus, and the apostles all lived and worked at different times being supported by gifts from others.

~What if I can't make a monthly commitment?

I would love to know that you are praying for me regularly! Our culture is so good at throwing around thoughts and prayers as a platitude but people who honestly and truly pray and believe that God is powerful enough to answer prayers are who make up the backbone of missions both here and abroad.

~What are my giving options?

You can give monthly, every 6 months, or yearly. Your gift of \$50, \$75, \$100, or \$200 per month would greatly help me reach my goals in this ministry.

~How can I give?

Our online giving is a great option! You can set up automatic, recurring gifts through our website (www.youthchallenge.us) either by credit/debit card or by e-checks. You can choose the day and amount that works best for you. Your gifts are processed securely.

Another way you can give is by sending a check back in the envelope I provide in your monthly newsletter.

Youth Challenge is a 501c3 nonprofit organization so all gifts are tax deductible. You will receive a gift letter to turn in with your taxes at the end of January each year.

Giving is a primary way to join in God's work. In Philippians 4:15-18, Paul credits the Philippian church for partnering with him by giving. He says it is not the gift he seeks, but "the fruit that increases to [the supporter's] credit" (Phil. 4:17). The generosity of our Supporters enables the fruit of our Workers, and Supporters participate alongside our Workers with mutual joy. Join us in engaging our communities through generosity, either with a one-time gift or ongoing monthly support.