



**ENGAGEMENT
NEWSLETTER**
SEPTEMBER 2024 EDITION

**MISSIONAL
LIVING CLASS**

LAUNCHING SEPT. 4TH

*Join us in learning how to engage in
everyday life missionally.*

IN OUR BACKYARD

MISSIONAL LIVING: A CLASS IN LIVING FOR JESUS IN OUR WORLD

BEGINNING SEPT. 4

We live in a complex world where we encounter people who have different beliefs, cultures, and practices on a daily basis. A simple trip to the grocery store or a public school is a cross-cultural encounter. If you're wanting to learn more about how to faithfully follow Jesus in our increasingly pluralist and secular environment, we'd love to invite you to join us for Missional Living, a class where we'll be exploring the Biblical and theological framework for missions, as well as helping you gain practical skills for engaging the people around you with the Good News of Jesus in ordinary, but meaningful ways. **We'll meet on Wednesday evenings from September 4th to November 20th in Room 141 from 6:00 to 7:30 PM.** This class will be taught by Ashley Berryhill and Luke Stehr, and there is no cost for participation. To register, scan the QR code here, or e-mail Luke Stehr (luke.stehr@fbca.org).



LUKE STEHR

Director of Local Engagement



REGISTRATION

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SHORT-TERM TRIP TESTIMONY

AN UPDATE FROM SLOVENIA:

WORKING WITH A YOUTH CAMP ALONGSIDE THE PURSLEYS | JULY 12-21

A word from Jordan Hayhurst:

In Slovenia this year, we put together a VBS for the local Evangelical Church in Velenje. We built relationships with the locals and their kids, as well as better connecting with the people of Velenje. We also were able to grow closer as a youth team, and support the local ice cream economy. My favorite part was watching the kids, who are the first generation of believers in their city and schools, grow in their faith and grow close with our team over the week we were there.



AN UPDATE FROM THE TX BORDER:

WORKING WITH SEVERAL MINISTRIES IN THE MCALLEN/REYNOSA AREA | JULY 20-26

A word from Lisa Bonner:

On the trip, I saw God work in several ways. One day we crossed the border into Reynosa, Mexico to minister in the migrant camp. While there we met a young Colombian woman, several months pregnant, who had crossed the Darien Gap by herself. In visiting with her, she revealed what she had gone through to make it to the camp. She only had the dress on her back and told us that her pregnancy was very high risk. Our team members prayed with her each day we visited the camp and provided her with a few articles of clothing. In her time of real despair, God used our team members to offer support and assurances of God's love and protection. Not only was God at work in the Vacation Bible Schools we led and in the migrants we met, but also in our lives. One team member spoke about how a person in the area was brought to faith in part through small intentional actions from individuals on a previous trip. This moved all of us to remember that even when we think what we are doing is small, God is always at work.

REACHING THE NATIONS IN OUR BACKYARD

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DFW ASYLUM SEEKER HOUSING NETWORK

DASH Network was founded to surround Asylum seekers with a loving community in a multitude of ways.

Needs: Advocates, Hospitality, Home Goods

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S JOB CORPS

CWJC was founded as a means of identifying, training and mentoring women trapped in poverty, abuse, and alienation.

Needs: Teachers, Mentors, General Volunteers

INTERNATIONAL FRIENDS

English classes on Wednesdays at 9 AM. (Childcare provided)

Needs: English Teachers, General Volunteers

ARLINGTON ARAB WOMEN'S CENTER

AAWC hosts English classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays for Arabic-speaking women

Needs: Women Teachers, Women Hospitality Volunteers



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