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Meet the Mission: Danielle

When we served as Family Life pastors, we had the joy of meeting Danielle and her mom—and from the very start, Danielle has been a bright light in our ministry. Over the years, she has become one of our daughter’s closest friends, and it’s easy to see why. Danielle has a developmental disability that can affect her trust and innocence, but it doesn’t hold back her heart for worship, her incredible talents, or her joyful spirit. She has a way of making everyone around her laugh and feel encouraged, and her presence in our lives and ministry has been an absolute blessing. Danielle is a perfect example of why we desperately want the church to see everyone as a potential co-laborer in the kingdom. There is no doubt in our minds that Danielle has the ability to lead a congregation in worship or help in a children’s classroom during art. She is a talented artist who patiently teaches others how to draw, and her gifts remind us that everyone has something valuable to offer God’s work.

From Deer Collision to Divine Provision

On November 5th, after leaving an evening service, we were driving on the expressway when we hit a deer, causing significant damage to our van. What could have been a totaled vehicle turned into a long insurance claim. Since then, our van has been transported between multiple body shops and mechanics, and with parts on backorder and other delays, it has now been five months without it. Daily life became a real challenge—especially since our other vehicle cannot safely accommodate our son and his adaptive equipment. When Pastor Ben from Gateway Assembly heard about our situation, he generously offered us the use of his church van. This gift has been an incredible blessing and a reminder that churches and individuals can support missions in many ways—through giving, sharing talents, offering time, or praying faithfully. Every act of support matters, and this van is a perfect example of how God uses every gift to advance His kingdom.



March has been full of connection! Every Sunday has been booked with services around the state, and we've enjoyed many in-person and Zoom meetings with pastors and ministry leaders. We've loved traveling across Michigan alongside other missionaries and the Michigan Ministry Network leadership team for the sectional council tour, as well as having countless conversations with individuals. We are surrounded by some truly amazing people and feel privileged to be part of what God is doing in Michigan—and beyond!



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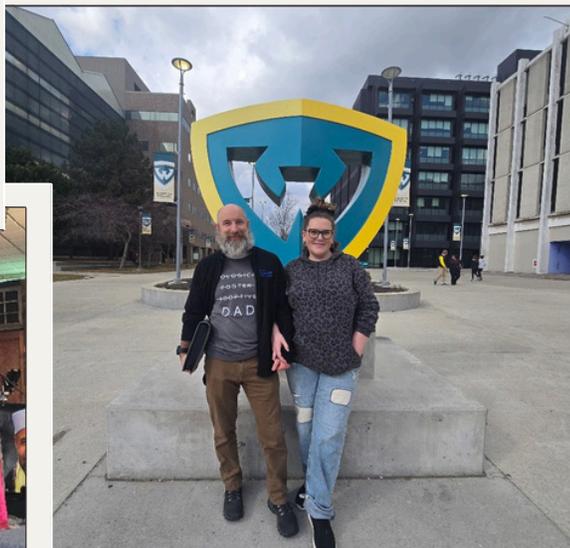
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