

# New Beginnings

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Missionaries on the campus of University of Illinois with Illini Life Christian Fellowship



### The MTD Journey Parting Paths

Hey folks! Amy here. Having a job in an elementary school, it's been wonderful to have summer break to immerse myself alongside Nick in GCM New Staff Training and the first months of Ministry Team Development (MTD).

Doing this together, it's been a privilege to meet friends from Nick's past and introduce him to folks from mine. It's also been neat to see God build new friendships out of complete strangers. In all these cases, the chance to share our hearts and watch other people catch our vision for the U of I has been exciting.

It's been a beautiful process; a process of God growing each of us individually in character and closer as a couple, while reminding us of His role as our faithful Lord & Provider.

Sadly, the summer is coming to a close and our jobs will separate us for a time. While I stay in Champaign to work, Nick will continue the MTD

process in the Chicago suburbs. Most weeks he is hoping to commute back home for a day or two to reconnect.

Though this journey will most likely keep Nick traveling for a significant period of time, it was a blessing to begin the adventure together. These months have given me first-hand knowledge of the process, revealing areas of my life where God is calling me to mature. They have shown me how to better support Nick as his wife when he's discouraged or just plain tired.

My prayer is that this summer's experience will help me be a solid support for my husband as he continues toward the goal of being fully funded and back on campus ministering to students.



### Back On Campus

Students are wrapping up their summer, construction crews are finishing buildings, parents are preparing to say "good-bye." Classes begin August 23rd at the U of I, bringing 7,000 new students in need of a church home and Jesus.

### Prayer Requests

- We're at 22% of our monthly support goal. ☺
- Strength & protection in our marriage despite the distance.
- Nick's energy & support as he begins this phase on his own.
- Nick would meet new people who are excited to hear our story.
- That Amy is supported & cared for in Champaign.
- The start of a new school year at the U of I, new students & returning students and staff.

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