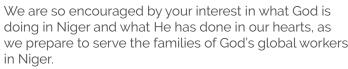
# Missions in Focus: Eddie & Kendra Johnson, Young Life

Thank you all for your encouragement and support as Monty and I leave in a few short days for Sahel Academy in Niamey, Niger, for the 2023-2024 school year. We are bringing an extraordinary number of fine arts supplies that the LC3 Women donated to be used in the classes we teach. Thank you for all the incredible gifts for Sahel Academy. I think our suitcases are going to be tipping the scales! We are so proud of how our church supports missions, and thankful to all of you for supporting us!





## **Prayer Points:**

- · Safety, strength, and good health for the entire year.
- · We adjust and thrive in Niger.
- That we would be a blessing and joy to the children, their parents, and staff at Sahel.
- That we would grow together in knowledge and wisdom, walking deeper with Jesus in Niger.
- The supplies we need to live and teach would arrive in Niger.
- · We would find community and connect with fellow SIM workers.
- · As we step out in faith, God would be glorified as we share Jesus with the people in Africa.

# **PRAYER**

**We want to pray with you.** If you would like someone to pray with you, a pastor or elder is available immediately following each service in the Prayer Room.

**Pray for our Missionaries:** Relationships with fellow Global Workers: Love, sensibility, and humility; Appreciation of each other's strengths; Team unity and spirit

# Pray with our prayer groups:

- Pre-service Prayer: Saturdays, 5:30pm & Sundays, 8:30am | Worship Center
- Pray for the service as it occurs: Sundays, 9am | Prayer Room
- $\,\cdot\,$  KAN (Turko Russian) Prayer Team: Third Sundays, 8am | Small Conference Room
- Marlene Etter Missionary Prayer Team: Every 3rd Saturday, 11am | Prayer Room

We are a praying church! Please let us know how we can pray for you, updates to prayer requests, and to be added to the prayer chain by filling out a Connect Card or by emailing Prayer@LC3.com.

Do you have a deployed family member? Find out how we support families of deployed soldiers by emailing Info@LC3.com.



#### CONNECT

Wifi: LC3guest4 - No password E-mail: Info@LC3.com Phone: 253-582-8040 Office Hours: Mon-Fri gam-2pm

#### WEEKEND SERVICE TIMES

Saturday 6pm Sunday 9 & 11am Streaming on YouTube & Facebook

#### **CONNECT CARD**



Let us know you were here! Submit prayer requests and contact information on a Connect Card and place it in the Communication Boxes in the Worship Center, or use the QR code.

#### YOUTUBE



Follow Lake City Community Church on YouTube where we now livestream all our services.

Earplugs are available at the Welcome Center for your comfort.

Find community and learn about us at LC3.com

# October 7 & 8

# **Kylee Ballensky** A story of new life.

I was raised to believe in God. But my earliest memories of my childhood are filled with emotional and physical abuse. I grew up believing in an angry God who only let perfect people into

Heaven. At 18, I left home feeling lost and very



alone with nowhere to go and no one to help. I spent a couple of months homeless. During this time, I turned to drinking and partying to fill the hole inside me.

When I was about 30, I met Pastor Reg from LC3 with my then boyfriend. He spoke to us about Jesus' love, but I wasn't ready to give up my throne yet. In October of 2019, I ended up in the hospital. That's when I found out I was pregnant. I've been sober since that day.

Over the next few years, I tried to reconnect with my mother. I had her move in with me so she could retire. This began a horrible time of verbal and physical abuse. I finally had to get a protection order from my own mother earlier this year.

At this point I was in physical and mental agony. I wasn't eating or sleeping. In desperation I reached out to Pastor Reg. He directed me to Pastor Tung who met with me immediately with Nancy Shaffer. They told me there was hope in Jesus and encouraged me to come to church, but I couldn't get myself to go. In March of this year I felt a voice tell me that I wouldn't make it at this rate. I remembered Tung and Nancy telling me I needed to give myself to God fully in prayer and come to church; that with Jesus there is always hope.

Hearing that and watching my son sleep, I poured out everything I had in prayer. Again, I felt it: "Get up and go to Bible study." I did. I was angry and sad and didn't quite believe in this Jesus thing. I tried to slip quietly into the study. It was on the Armor of God and that if you aren't ready, your storms will knock you down. I realized that's what happened to me. I went home and prayed, begging Christ to take the throne back. That was the first night I finally slept.

It's been messy healing from all of this. I even walked out on a sermon once about family. But Nancy and Tung kept pulling me back. I was reminded time and again there was still hope. LC3 showed me there was hope!

I try to remember who I am in Christ and live in that truth, not the lies I was once told. Today, my son and I have a new home. It's just us with the peace of Christ. I'm so grateful for my LC3 family and feel so blessed that you all have embraced us as your own. I truly have family

Read this and other stories on our blog at LC3.com/blog or use the QR code provided.



# **WELCOME GUESTS!**

Welcome to Lake City Community Church! We are so glad you joined us this weekend and hope you find your time here rejuvenating and encouraging. Please visit our Welcome Center in the Gathering Area for a free gift. We'd love to know you are here and help you find ways to connect. Below are some tips to help you feel comfortable at LC3.

- There is a Family Room in the rear of the Worship Center where your children are free to move about.
- · Please visit our self-serve library in the Lower Lobby anytime the building is open.
- Join us for our next Starting Point class **this Sunday October 8 at 11am** in the Large Conf. Room to meet others looking for church community, learn about LC3, and meet pastors and staff.





# **General Fund**

Thank you for your generous and faithful giving!

**August Income** 

**August Expenses** 

\$196,450 \$187,965

YTD Total Expenses 7.1.23-8.31.23

**7.1.23-8.31.23** \$413,024

YTD Total Income

\$360,314

Primary sources of total income include weekend giving, interest, and ministry income.

Our fiscal year runs July 1-June 30.



#### Ways to Give

- LC3.com/Give (QR code)
- · Mail a check
- Communication Boxes in the back of the Worship Center



# FIND COMMUNITY

## FIND ALL THE OPPORTUNITIES AT "EVENTS"!

\*Learn more & register on Events on the LC3 app or at LC3.com/Events

## **Baptism Class**

Sundays Oct. 8, 9am & Oct. 15, 11am | Lrg. Conf. Rm. God calls all believers to be baptized as a public expression of their faith in Jesus. Our next baptisms will be November 4. If you'd like to be baptized, you'll need to attend one of our classes.

#### Blessed Lunch Timers (60+)

Wednesday October 18, 12pm Join us for lunch and fellowship on the third Wednesday of each month.

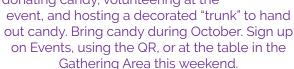
### **Youth Prayer**

Saturdays 7:30-9pm, beg. Oct. 14 | Gathering Area Join in prayer for our youth on Saturday nights.

# Trunk-or-Treat

Tuesday October 31, 6-8pm | LC3 Volunteer • Donate • Host a Trunk

We're inviting our neighborhood to Trunk-or-Treat at LC3! We're expecting over 1,000 people this year. Help them feel welcome by donating candy, volunteering at the



## **Love Lakewood**

Saturday, October 14, 9am-4pm
We will Love Lakewood by providing free laundry
to those in our community. We will be serving
coffee, meeting new people, and loving on our
neighbors! Volunteer for a one-hour time slot it's going to be an awesome experience! Donate
quarters in the Gathering Area today!





