

CARMICHAEL UPDATE

SERVING WITH AMBASSADORS INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES



Hey friends and family,

Time is going by fast—I'm already in my second semester of sophomore year! I've started taking more pastoral classes now that all my general education courses are out of the way. My favorite class so far is Church Administration, taught by Dean Taylor. I'm also taking Music and Worship, which has been a bit challenging. I'm learning how to lead a congregation through conducting, and I've realized I'm not as musically inclined as I thought—but it's okay, it's a learning experience! This semester, I'm taking 17 credits. Here's my class list:

Methods of Biblical Counseling

College Math

Contemporary Ethics

Music and Worship

Church Administration

Personal Evangelism

Bible Doctrine 2

Last semester, I took 20 credits to finish all my gen eds, so I'm taking fewer this semester since I have more church responsibilities.

I got my license last summer, which means I can drive the church van and spend more time at church during the week, not just on Sundays. I've been preaching and teaching more at youth group and also teaching at a ministry affiliated with our church called Gospel-Centered Recovery (GCR).

About a month ago, I led a group of 10 students to a camp called Sub-Zero. We had one salvation from our group. Praise the Lord!

Speaking of salvations, we recently had a student here at Faith come to Christ through Randy and Kari's testimony about their son, Kaleb. God is sovereign over adversity.

The sovereignty of God has been a recurring theme in my life recently. I have close friends who have gone through difficult times, and it has been hard to walk alongside them. A friend reminded me, "Remember the sovereignty of God." I realized I had been forgetting that God is in control and works everything for His own glory. Though He may give us the bread of adversity, He will never hide from us.

Prayer Requests:

- Time management – That I would steward my time well.
- To find joy in the presence of the Lord (Psalm 16:11).
- Perseverance in times of suffering.
- My church here is planting a new church. Please pray for Pastor Rob Pearson, the church planting candidate.

Thank you for your prayers and support.

Fresh off the press from [Lovemore Moloji](#).



BIG shoutout to Jackson and Allee for representing The Pines at Fellowship Baptist Church Missions Conference.

Thank you Jackson and Allee Spencer for your gift of availability and time spent at The Pines throughout 2024. You will be leaving a huge gap and will be greatly missed by all staff and children. We pray that God will give vision and clarity as you seek His will for your future.

*To the rest of us: Who will fill this gap?
Are you willing and available to step in to fill this gap of service?*

Children full of life and zest! We often wonder where these children would be if not for the provision of God through The Pines Christian Care Center. Orphaned, abandoned, abused or neglected yet God has a plan for each and everyone of them and is using those willing to serve and give of their time and resources to make a difference in the lives of these children.

Are you available to be used by God in this unique ministry to children?



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