

May 6, 2018

Dear Family and Friends,

We are thrilled to let you know about what God is doing in our lives! For many years, we have felt a desire to consider opportunities of living and working internationally. We weren't really sure where this desire would lead us, but we began to gather information, praying for courage and wisdom. We prayed that God would make it clear, opening doors that were meant to be open and closing them if we were not meant to go. We initially encountered many closed doors and began to think it was not meant to be. But then, through a few unexpected turns, God opened a door for us to serve at Dakar Academy in Dakar, Senegal.



To be honest, we feel overwhelmed at times. We have less than 3 months to prepare to go. We have wrestled with doubt, fear and questions about serving Him overseas. We are aware of our inadequacy and weakness in this endeavor. And yet, God keeps affirming us, meeting us in each baby step that we take.

Let us tell you a few things about Dakar Academy and our involvement there—

- It is a college prep, co-ed day and boarding school, pre-K-12th grade. Approximately 200-250 students.
<https://www.dakar-academy.org/>
- Established in 1961 by United World Mission to serve educational needs of missionary families living and working in Senegal and West Africa.
- Located in Dakar, the capital of Senegal in West Africa. It is on the coast of the Atlantic Ocean. Official language is French. Predominant religion is Islam.
- 70% of the students are missionary kids of families serving in West Africa; 30% are Senegalese or international students.
- Tim will teach middle and high school math. Lindsay will work as the campus PA.
- Daisy, Reid and Sam will attend school at Dakar Academy.
- We are anticipating being there short-term, for approximately 2 years.
- The director of the school is Robb Warfield. He and his wife, Sheila, and their 3 kids lived in Winston-Salem, NC before becoming missionaries in Africa.

We are excited to get to serve the community of Dakar Academy as a family. We have many hopes and prayers for our time there:

- That God will use us to serve the students at Dakar Academy—those from missionary families as well as Senegalese and international students.
- That as a family, we will gain a wider worldview by living in a different culture.
- That we and you (our friends and family!) will get a glimpse of God's kingdom work in West Africa as well as an opportunity to participate in it.

Many of you have already blessed us by praying for us in this process, encouraging us and sharing in our excitement. We would love to meet with any of you if you'd like to hear more. If you are interested in joining us in this endeavor, through financial support, here are the details—

- Dakar Academy will provide us with housing and a monthly stipend that covers some of our living expenses. We will need to raise support for additional expenses—health care, travel costs, etc., a total of \$2700 per month.
- Officially, we will be on staff with Teach Beyond, a mission agency that focuses on sending teachers as missionaries.
- Donations can be given in one-time gifts or monthly support. We would like to ask monthly supporters for a 2 year commitment.
- Here are the steps to give:
 - 1) Go online to <https://give.teachbeyond.org/>
 - 2) Under “Donation Designation”, enter our account #: 40663.
 - 3) Select amount and payment options. Payment options include bank draft, credit card, Pay Pal or check by mail.

or

Go straight to our support page,
<https://give.teachbeyond.org/support/themusser/>

Our contact info is Tim: tmusser@teachbeyond.org,
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We are so, so grateful for each of you. Thank you for supporting us in this, both financially and through prayer. We look forward to continuing on this journey with you!

Much Love,

Tim, Lindsay, Daisy, Reid & Sam

“Lord, You are my God; I will exalt You and praise Your name, for in perfect faithfulness,
You have done wonderful things, things planned long ago.” —Isaiah 25:1.