

“Families need help!” Sitting in church a few weeks ago, I heard our pastor make this comment. We know this is true - families DO need help - but I wasn’t ready for what happened next. Our pastor paused momentarily and then invited anyone dealing with a family issue to come to the front for prayer. To my shock, 90% of the church walked to the front. Looking around, I could see again the desperate need for what God called us to. Families need help, and we have been strategically placed in this arena.

Marriage is an adventure! Rebecca and I recently had the privilege of attending Adventures in Marriage by Live the Life. It was a fantastic event, and we are excited to partner with them and implement many of the tools they provide in our marriage and with the couples we coach. A young military couple said: **“It literally saved our marriage. We’re walking out of here a different couple.”** How powerful is that? Being a part of seeing lives changed and marriages restored is so exciting to us!



As we officially launch our new ministry, the Lord is making this need for help even more apparent. Our goal is to see families thrive. We are committed to helping people build healthy, growing, love-filled relationships, preserving families, proclaiming Biblical truth, and leaving an enduring impact on lives. The young military couple, the church members who desperately wanted prayer, and even the families and marriages that are doing well but want to be a little closer all need to be equipped, encouraged, and empowered to live out the life of connection we are all called to live.



Our son **Josiah** (16) has some exciting news! He has a fantastic opportunity to go on a **month-long mission trip** and discipleship training program to Honduras in July! For us as parents, it’s exciting and a little scary to let our son go on this thrilling adventure, but we know it will strengthen his walk with the Lord and his character and help him as he steps into manhood. **He has to raise \$3,500** for this trip (which includes everything for the month). If you want to help him reach his goal, you can give it to us (with a note “For Josiah’s trip”), and we will apply it to him. To give directly to the organization he is serving with, go to www.missionencounters.com/donate, click Discipleship Encounter, and **type Josiah Altman in the “DE Participant” field.** Please pray for him!

We are in awe of all God is doing. I am reminded of our April 8th eclipse experience when we were privileged to be on the path of totality. For me, the moment of total eclipse was breathtaking. What a magnificent display of the beauty and glory of our amazing God. I stood in awe and wonder as I experienced it. How often do we live in that total eclipse of the heart (1983 nod) moment where God’s overwhelming love and grace take our breath away? It is easy to live our days “busy with life,” but I encourage you to take a moment and think of His goodness and grace. The fact that you are even reading this shows His love for you. Take a moment to thank and praise Him for His goodness towards you!



We love you and are grateful for you! You are having an eternal impact on the lives of many.

Blessings,  Rebecca

PRAISES & PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Praising the Lord for YOU!! We want to say a heartfelt Thank You to everyone who has switched their giving to make it possible for us to continue to serve through our new ministry! We also praise the Lord for how He continues to open doors for us to reach numerous marriages and families with the love and truth of Jesus! We are excited about the many opportunities to pour into men, women, couples, and families through one-on-one discipleship and mentoring, small groups, and family, marriage, and parenting events.
- Please pray for us to have wisdom, discernment, strength, stamina, and full provision as we minister the hope and love of Jesus! Also, I (Billy) separated my shoulder back in December and it has been a slow recovery regaining the use of my left arm. Please pray for complete healing - I am looking forward to having full use of my arm and am eager to get back to being able to use my camera!

As always, please keep in touch. Call, text, or email and let us know how we can pray for you!

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