



# On the Veranda with Amanda

Hebrews 13:5,6  
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### Hey Family and Friends,

Happy 2024! Since coming back from Christmas vacation, we have been catching up on our work. We continue to register kids and send their packets out. It is also that time of year when our year-end receipts must be printed, folded and put in the mail. And of course, I always assist with getting the staff newsletters (like this one!) out in the mail.

### Homeless Ministry (Under the Bridge):



This ministry meets every Monday night at 6 pm in Titusville. I am blessed to take part in sharing the Gospel and a home-cooked meal with the homeless, hurting, and others who are in need in our community. I have been enjoying doing this since Fall 2020 and if I can not go on Mondays, I miss it. My main job is that I am in charge of unloading the trailer to set up and then loading the trailer up to the end of the night. Christmas



was on Monday night so I got to help the homeless celebrate Christmas. It was fun to watch them go through toys and pick some out for their kids. Everybody got about five gift cards, too. January 25th was the Point In Time count (PIT) where we go around and count everyone living in vehicles, parks, and streets/sidewalks and in transitional housing and emergency shelters. This is done to help raise community awareness, to advocate for local and federal funding, to understand characteristics and trends of homelessness and to engage our community in ending homelessness.

### Samaritan's Purse:



I usually volunteer with them after a disaster (hurricane, tornado, etc...) but on December 31, 2023, I drove up to Selma, Alabama, to do a rebuild after a tornado hit that town. Besides the physical help, we get to extend the homeowners spiritual and emotional support. I had the privilege of helping begin work on a house. On the first day we painted the house and then did the flooring, which I found out I liked doing (but it is back-breaking). I also got to learn how to put door frames in and then also did caulking. I enjoy volunteering with them. For each project we did, the boss would make sure we knew how to do it



and then let us do it. When I first signed up for the rebuild, I did it to try it out but was not sure if I would want to do it again. After doing it once, I decided I might want to do it again. But I still like the clean-up from disasters better.



### A testimony from the Uganda Boot Camp:

Many people have been doubting whether TMI in Uganda can really perform as it used to do. Among them is Philemon Balaza (former team member) who is a part of a ministry in which they run their private schools in Mbale City. After hearing of the camp, he sent two of his kids. One of the days as he traveled from Kampala, he branched to check on his kids. He shared with me to say "I am so convinced that after just a

few minutes, I have heard from my children the testimony they have given, I see that life is really coming back to Teen Missions in Uganda." We have seen more than 30 people give their lives to the Lord! Therefore, we really thank the Lord for what He is doing here in Uganda. Be blessed for your daily support in prayers. The Lord is watching and brings it to pass.

### Big Top Day & 5K Mud Run:

Big Top Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 13. If you are in the area and would like to help us set up our Big Top to prepare for the summer, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator by calling 321-453-0350.

Our annual 5K Tough Gator Mud Run is scheduled for Saturday, May 4. The proceeds from the Mud Run are used to help those overseas who are less fortunate. You can register online if you'd like to run it. If you're not interested in running in the mud, we could always use volunteers to help us man stations throughout the course.

Thank you for your partnership with me in prayers and giving! You are a vital part of the ministry.

*Amanda Evans*

*"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."*

**Joshua 1:9**

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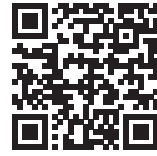
**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

**WINTER & SPRING:** Youth Groups, Schools, and Church groups welcome!  
**SUMMER:** Boot Camp! (June 15 - 29)

**Big Top Day (April 13)**



**Mud Run (May 4)**



**Scan to Volunteer!**



You can pray for Teen Missions using the free PrayerMate App. Download it today!



**2023 Teen Missions Worldwide Statistics**



<b>Boot Camps:</b>	<b>Staff and Students:</b>
Leaders ..... 816	Staff ..... 380
Team members ..... 3,239	Interns ..... 126
Salvations: ..... 20,671	Students ..... 450
<b>Matron Units:</b>	<b>Rescue Units:</b>
Girls cared for..... 437	Children cared for 6,641
Salvations ..... 96	Salvations ..... 397

**INSIDE: News from your missionary!**  
**Winter 2024**

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# Ministry Update

## The Tough Gator 5K Mud Run is an “event with a purpose!”



100% of the proceeds from our annual fundraiser in 2023 were sent to our TMI ministries overseas. The proceeds assisted families and orphans with school fees, uniforms, food, and other daily needs. It was also used in unexpected ways. This is a story from our Malawi country coordinator, Miscious.



“Greetings in Jesus name. When I visited the Wellman Family Rescue Unit, I found this poor Agogo (grandmother) sitting down. I felt sorry. She does not have anyone to help her. Her house is just by the entrance of our ministries, and she struggles with the rain daily. She did not beg anything from us, but when I saw this, I discussed what we can do to help her.” Miscious and the Malawi staff had some bricks to start helping build a house but didn’t have cement or other materials needed. Miscious was able to use

\$300 from the Mud Run money they had received to build a new house for her. Miscious says that the Agogo appreciates the house and said, “Teen Missions has given her a new life and she has seen the love of God.” The chief of the local village said that, “It is a real gesture that Teen Missions is here to show the love of Christ.”



**Before**



**After**

### Sojourner Campus Days March 6 - 8



Want to tour the Sojourner School of Ministry campus, preview our Bible classes, participate in chapel, meet our staff, and experience Sojourner life?

Come visit Sojourner School of Ministry for Campus Days! Stay in the dorms, engage in the normal school life of our current students, and see what life is like on Merritt Island. You will also get to be a part of our weekly Community Night where we come together as a student body to worship, play games, and/or relax!



### Lead a Team This Summer! Spring Leaders Seminar Feb 29 - March 3

**Gain Valuable Experience**  
 — Teach Bible Studies  
 — Build valuable skills in youth ministry

#### Help Youth

- Discover gifts and abilities
- Grow closer to the Lord
- Develop a burden and heart for world missions
- Impact nations and eternity

### Join Our Staff Family! First Step Orientation March 4 - 8

Our current reality has taught us all that we live daily on the edge of eternity. Come and join the Teen Missions family and have the privilege of working toward eternity’s reward! First Step is the opportunity to come and see what Teen Missions is doing worldwide. Positions are available in Graphics, Computers, Finance, Mechanics, Maintenance, Video, Promotions, Office Work, Landscaping, and at various overseas bases.