

"...Shine like stars in the universe as you hold out the word of life..." Philipians 2:15-16

Where is God leading you these days? From the old Beatles song, "Here... There... and Everywhere, knowing that love is to share," here are stories from our recent journeys. Have fun with the QR codes!



Here

Dann has been updating the systems that run the several web sites used by [One Collective](#). Since technology does not stand still, this has been a needed upgrade to make use of newer, improved versions of the software. He continues to support staff and workers, as well as documenting the systems that are used every day.



When not at One Collective, Dann is an IT consultant for the local American Legion, local historical society, church, and a couple of other local businesses. This has helped to hone his skills in computer languages, telephony and accounting systems, plus it's rewarding to see people better able to communicate and conduct their business.



Nancy began a three-year term in July serving on the state-sponsored **Illinois** Adoption Advisory Council, addressing the needs of adoptive and guardianship families. Composed of professionals, adoptive parents, and adult adoptees, the council addresses issues such as permanency, training and support, and post-adoption services.

This fall Dann will be leading one of First Baptist Church's (**FBC**) Bible studies. The study, "One at a Time," looks at how the ministry of Jesus was often on a personal basis, challenging us to do the same. The study has provided an encouraging time to fellowship,

pray with, and share our lives with other believers.

Did you ever receive a gift you didn't really want? For Father's Day Nancy 'suggested' we clean the **garage** so Dann's car could be parked inside, after over ten years out in the weather. We spent eight hours cleaning, throwing away, and rearranging. As dusty and tired as we were, we also were happy to declutter and be able to better use the space and things that we have.



Stephen, a Judson University student, is living **with us** as he works on his Master's degree in architecture. He grew up as a missionary kid in Albania. He's a great guy; we enjoy the aroma when he barbeques chicken!

There



In June we traveled to **Virginia**, having a great visit with Dann's brother Kevin and wife Jan. They helped us tour Washington

DC. We attended the wedding of their son Chris to Josie; what a beautiful celebration! We played tourists, visiting Luray Caverns, a quilt museum, an auto museum, a botanical garden, and The Harriet Tubman Museum, plus the homes of Thomas Jefferson and James Madison. Thankfully, we were able to visit our granddaughter Aliah and appreciate the time spent with Alyssa and her family.





Dann traveled to **Hannibal, Missouri**, in June for the

annual International Conference on Computing and Mission ([ICCM](#)). This year the focus was on security, both computer and spiritual. Dann has enjoyed the Christian emphasis and benefited from the technical expertise gained. He has been part of ICCM since 1990.



Lake Geneva Youth Camp (WI) with Elizabeth and family was a “blast” for the Fourth of July family camp. Our children have all camped there and loved it; Rachel even worked there. We had a white-knuckle drive home in a horrific



thunderstorm with missed turns, zero visibility, and narrow country roads; seldom have we been so glad to arrive **home**.

Everywhere



At long last following Covid restrictions, we are preparing for another journey with **Two Pennies Ministry** to **Ghana**, scheduled for January 2023. We are excited to be

returning to the village of Akim Kwameng, where there is now a cassava mill and piggery. The inflation rate there has skyrocketed, and we pray for God’s grace for all those in the village, at the orphanage, and wherever else He leads us.



Will you consider supporting us for this journey? Please check out the attached info sheet for ways to respond.



After six years, Nancy stepped down from chairing the **FBC missions committee**.

However, Dann has stepped in and will

continue on the team, encouraging FBC’s missionaries and ministries and engaging the congregation in their work. An interactive **‘Missions Monitor’** has been set up in Common Grounds, the fellowship area of the church, giving people an opportunity to connect with our missionaries. Check it all out with this QR code!



Dann and Nancy are on the church work group coordinating an amazing Missions Fair September 25. Most of our supported ministries and missionaries will participate, allowing church members to interact with them. Food, games, crafts, prizes—and of course hearing about the spread of the Gospel of Jesus **worldwide**—we are praying for a blessed day.



We thought you might enjoy a picture of our recent family gathering. Oh wait, there has not been one lately! Our children are **here, there,** and **everywhere**. From

artillery to security to phlebotomy and more, they have full and rewarding lives which we admire, but we don’t get together as often as we would like.



Do you ever feel really comfortable where you are? Everything is familiar and fits just like an old, broken in pair of blue jeans? There are times that God

wants us to move out of our comfort zone, into a new place where we know we have to trust in Him and His strength.

With love and God’s blessings for you,

Dann + Nancy

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