

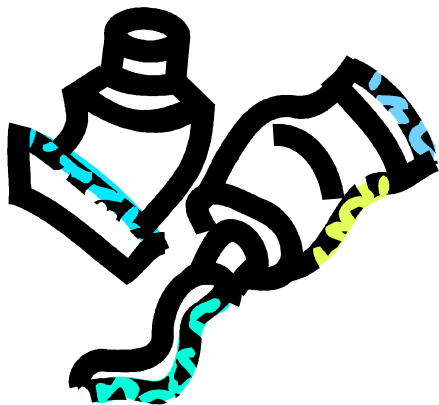
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## True colors shinning through...

We knew planting a church would have it's struggles and challenges, and the past month was no exception to THAT "rule"!

While some days are tougher than others, we are reminded in the midst of all the trials that we are being prepared for what is still to come, and how our reactions to the challenges show what we truly believe.



***"Consider it a sheer gift, friends, when tests and challenges come at you from all sides. You know that under pressure, your faith-life is forced into the open and shows its true colors." James 1:2-4 (The Message)***

We have had *many* opportunities to overcome and adapt, and they most certainly will continue as we move forward. While we may not react as well as we would hope in all circumstances, we have persevered. We are thankful that God is ahead of us and has already laid the path for us.

We continue to meet people in the community and build relationships. These relationships are a key component in building a launch team. With the beginnings of a launch team, we can pursue executing events that will allow us greater exposure and add more people with a passion for the people of the area to our launch team.

Having a few key people who know us well, will go a long way in lending credibility to us in the community among those who we don't yet have a relationship with.

We are also in the process of planning a "preview service" to show the community what **eXperience church** will "look" like. From this we hope to get more people from the community

interested in helping launch **eXperience church**.

As we look ahead, there are many needs that will need to be fulfilled to "get this thing off the ground" such as sound, lighting and video equipment, children's ministry, equipment, hospitality supplies and much more. Please keep these needs in prayer. We will be compiling a list which will be available next month. If you are able to additionally assist in the purchase of these items you can let us know. It would be greatly appreciated!

We are so thankful for the many blessings that the Lord has showered us with, both in joys and trials. We know there is still MUCH to do, but we continue to move forward!

Whether you're a new friend or one that's been with us for awhile in our journey, we just want to thank you for your prayers, encouragement, and support! May you find time in the busyness of life this month to thank God for all the ways in which He's blessed you! - Mike Vertennich

**We've been working hard on our website layout at [WWW.EXPERIENCETHECHURCH.COM](http://WWW.EXPERIENCETHECHURCH.COM)! Check out the new changes and stop back often to see updates!**

# Prayer Requests & Updates...

## Michael...

- \* We (Mike and Amy) went to a church planter's retreat the beginning of October and it was great to spend time with fellow church planters! We got lots of helpful advice that we've begun putting into action! **Please pray for Mike as he makes future plans for the direction of eXperience church.**
- \* Mike has been meeting people throughout the weeks. **Pray for Mike to continue to make connections within the community, both in friendships and possible launch team volunteers!**

## Amy...

- \* Amy's pregnancy is going well and we're nearing the end! Since the due date is December 13th, we will be traveling more often to Staples (60 miles away) to our doctor appointments. **Please pray for safe travel and for the rest of the pregnancy to continue to go well, as well as for the health of mom and baby.**

## Our kids...

- \* Our 21 year old son, Joe, has been struggling. **Please pray for protection from the enemy and for Joe to open his heart to the Lord's guidance.**
- \* Homeschooling has begun! **Pray for the kids' school year and that things go well with all the changes that will be occurring throughout the school year.**
- \* **Continue to pray for the kids to make new friendships in our area.**

## Our ministry...

- \* **Pray for a group of people willing to help with a "preview service" to show the community what eXperience church will be like.**
- \* **Continue to pray for more financial support to come in** as Mike continues to share with others about our ministry and the financial needs.
- \* **Continue to pray for us to find a place to begin to have group meetings about the church, as well as a place to eventually hold services more permanently.**
- \* **Pray for people to come forward to help launch eXperience church!**
- \* **Continue to pray for the leadership positions needing to be filled.** There are other positions as well, however, to begin with, music, youth and children's areas are key.
- \* **Continue to pray for the launch of eXperience church** and for all the details involved to fall into place according to God's timing and plan.

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