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# Wiens Wanderings

Fall 2011



## IMPORTANT DATES

### October

**14th-25th Kevin in [Ghana](#)**

27th-29th [eMi ACDP](#)

[conference](#) in Seattle

(coworker attending)

**30th** sharing at Kaleden  
Community Church

### November

**4th** [EMI Dessert Evening &  
Silent Auction](#)

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray for Kevin's trip to Ghana (see [http://emicanada.org/documents/eMiC\\_PrayerGuide.pdf](http://emicanada.org/documents/eMiC_PrayerGuide.pdf) for detailed requests)
- Pray for good communication between the team and the ministry client
- Pray that the volunteers grow closer to God through their time with eMi
- Pray for an increased level of financial support for our family for the coming year
- Pray that our girls will also be salt and light in their daily activities

If you're in the Calgary area, join us for the [EMI Canada Dessert Evening and Silent Auction](#) on **November 4th**. Details at <http://emicanada.org/events.shtm>

The kids are back at school, Michele is back at the office, and Kevin is ready to head out on his next project trip . . . It must be fall!

We had a wonderful summer, which culminated in a trip down to Colorado to join the rest of the eMi family—including staff from India, Africa, Latin America and England—for a week-long conference. While the time was mostly focused on relationship-building, we also had a chance to connect with others across the offices who are filling the same roles as we are—design management, IT, finance, marketing and publications. We also had a chance to have input on the strategic plan that Engineering Ministries International is developing. eMi is a growing, maturing international organization and we're proud to be part of it!

On Friday, Kevin is off on his [fall project trip](#)—this time to La-Accra, Ghana. Kevin and his team will be working with an organization called [La Mansaamo Kpee International](#) to transform an existing clinic into a maternal and child specialty hospital. This trip will be special because Kevin's Dad, a pharmacist, will join the team to lend a hand where needed—possibly even in the existing clinic. Daniel Schwanke, an electrical engineer from our sending church in Fort St. John is also part of the team. And of course, Kevin will be joined by two student interns who are already in the eMi Canada office.

The student [intern program](#) is a big part of the day to day life of the office. In the spring, eMi Canada had 2 interns, 4 in the summer, and another 4 now in the fall. Each of these students is far from home, so they are housed by friends of eMi. Dinners, outings, and mentoring these students day to day is a fulfilling part of our work. We see the students express their Christian walk through their volunteering, and their enthusiasm fills our office with new energy each term. Our kids are always sad to see the “fun adults” in their lives leave—though they now realize that it's not TOO long until the new ones arrive :) .

Speaking of the kids, they've had a good start to the school year too. They both like their teachers, and they're surviving spending more school time together than they have in the past, as Talia's grade 5/6 class and Kaisa's grade 4/5 class have gym and art together. Kaisa started taking guitar lessons last year, and she's continuing that along with some swimming lessons. Talia is once again in the Junior Lifesaving Club, and both girls are in Pioneer Clubs through our church. Along with some races on the weekends, they're definitely busy enough, but they still have time to try out new recipes, play with each other and with friends, and read a ton of books. They loved getting to know some other “eMi kids” at the staff conference too!

blessings,

*Kevin, Michele, Talia & Kaisa*

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