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The Ackermans

THEIR STORY

Hi there, my name is Josiah! I was born in Pittsburgh and grew up going to the Bible Chapel with my family. My parents had always encouraged my siblings and I to do missions trips with the Chapel or our Dad's church. We all went on multiple trips in our grade school years. After graduating high school, I went to do a DTS with a YWAM base in London that was heavily focused on the arts and reaching people with those gifts in the community. After completing school, I attended Kent State for Fashion design but felt called to return to London and continue doing missions in the city. Since 2019, I've been serving with the organization One Ministry UK in many different areas such as managing the coffee ministry (including our 2 cafe locations with Think +), pioneering a coffee roastery, overseeing governance for the organization, event coordination for camps and activities we run through the year, and other areas as well!

Heya! My name's Natalia! I grew up in a Christian household but my faith really found its feet when I took a gap year after high school to be a missionary in London. Learning that there was a missionary group that focused on arts, I joined the fashion ministry team here at One UK, formerly a YWAM base, and have been a part of it ever since! My work here can span the areas of teaching fashion construction or styling, putting on workshops for the community to learn fashion skills, leading evangelism in Camden Town with Hope and Anchor Community Church, and being on the leadership for the young adults ministry for the church. I also have a huge heart for counseling and am pushing to see our warehouse, called "The Cave", become a safe space for people in the industry to collaborate, learn, or just have a coffee and chat.

I met Josiah when we worked together in fashion ministry in early 2020. We quickly became good friends and in 2022 we started praying about dating and got married in May of 2023! It's been a year so far and we are excited to see God move in London as we continue to serve here!

November 2025

PRAYER & PRAISE

- Please pray for our November events that will be held at the Cave-short film screenings and a clothing swap. Pray that Hackney Wick locals will come, for good conversations and connections and for God to meet them through us or the short films that are shown. Most of these films were created by Christians.
- There have always been issues with the plumbing at The Cave, which results in unusable toilets or leaks, especially when it rains, which happens a lot. Please pray for the landlords to fix it!
- Our church, Hope & Anchor, has a coffeeshop in Camden. During the winter, business usually slows down. Please pray for sales to pickup which would also mean more people to minister and talk to!
- Pray favor for Josiah at his workplace. He's started a new job over the summer at a bespoke shoe tailor here in London. It's full time but Josiah has found there's not enough responsibilities or work to fill his days. He's requested for it to go down to a 4 day work week but the owners said they'd revisit it in the new year. Having an extra day during the week would allow him to be around ministries more and even potentially be a part of church worship team again, which he had to leave since practices are held during the week. Please pray they allow this change in the schedule!
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 Mom Ministry- I've been encouraged by God showing me there's still people I can minister to in this season. Natalia got coffee tomorrow with a woman that she worked with during London Fashion Week. She was styling the show and the woman was one of the jewelry designers and now she's expecting her first child! She's not a believer so please pray for this relationship to grow and that they can have meaningful spiritual conversations about the Lord.
- Josiah and Natalia are planning a trip back to the states for a visit and to introduce Theo to family, December 10-22. Pray for safe travels and a great visit.