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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. **W**e 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!**

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PRAYER & PRAISE

Our trip to Poland was also a nice time, although it was more of a challenge. Between the language barrier for Josiah and other familial differences, it was a lot less peaceful. Please pray specifically for my uncle and aunt, who are atheists and living in a lot of fear right now because of Poland's tension with Russia.

Josiah and I will alternate weeks so we don't need a sitter. Pray that we can have deep chats and connect with some other new members of the church! Pray also for the kids stay and play group on Mondays and the hub on Wednesdays. It's great to feel more consistent at our new church!

Josiah is in full swing with starting the fashion brand and getting support through The King's Trust. He pitched the brand a few weeks ago from a representative of the trust and she gave a green light to proceed! He's now reaching out to different contacts, some fashion designer friends, some graphic and website designers, some friends who have done missions in India (to see if there's a potential supplier contact) and more. It's amazing to see his work ethic and one of his dreams becoming more and more possible!

Pray for the women's exercise class. With some new faces and some old, we've been able to go deeper into faith conversations. There's even one Christian lady who attends, which makes the word that I give at the end a bit more a conversation and not just me talking at them. Pray for Sundas, a Pakistani woman, who Natalia is getting to know one-on-one. Sundas is experiencing a lot of anxiety. Pray for Natalia and Susan to have more in-depth faith conversations with her.

Praise God that our family time in September was lovely and my parents enjoyed sweet grandparent moments with Theo.

Praise God we're feeling more plugged into our new church with a "newcomers hub" group that started last Wednesday.

Praise God that the women's exercise class at The Meeting Point has been very successful.