



# Greetings from OKC!

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## My first month as an Edmond resident.

New apartment, new town, new world.

Never did I ever think I'd see the day when I would move voluntarily to Oklahoma! But God is so perfect as to ordain my steps and open crazy awesome doors.

My parents and I drove out to Edmond over Labor Day weekend, and made it without any complications, Praise the Lord. They were so wonderful to help me unpack and made several Walmart trips with me to get things I kept forgetting. Turns out, I needed more than I thought I did! But even in the midst of moving and having to spend more than planned, God proved His faithfulness.



## About Edmond:

- SUNFLOWERS ARE EVERYWHERE. Seriously.
- THERE IS A SONIC ON EVERY CORNER. Or so it seems.
- EVERYTHING IS A GRID, which is super helpful.

## The Lord provides.

The plan was to come to Edmond and find a reasonable mattress and pallets (to put my bed on instead of a frame), and when we left Birmingham, we had found both for a decent price. When we arrived to Edmond, the mattress fell through and we had to frantically look for a replacement. After praying and searching, mom found one; better than the original one! On that same note, my parents went to pick up the pallets someone was holding. Unfortunately, there was miscommunication and it turned out that he was over an hour away and they couldn't get there. They started praying and ended up at Sprouts (grocery store) just to look around. To their amazement there were pallets, and the manager gave them two for free! The third came from the hotel my parents were staying at; the owner was throwing it out! Praise God for the little things that make all the difference, am I right? He just KNEW.



On Tuesdays, we wear black.

### About The Team:

What I love about our Arrows team is that we are SO diverse. We come from all over the world, with different strengths and styles. There is so much that we have to offer, and God is opening the doors for us all the time! We have one guy from Puerto Rico, two guys from Costa Rica, a girl from Japan, a girl from Virginia, and me, from Alabama. The rest are locals from Oklahoma. There are 14 company members, and also a junior company with about the same number. I love my team. They have SUCH hearts for worship and a love for Jesus.



## Street Dancing.

Last weekend, we were apart of a local dance performance with a touring company out of Chicago, Ballet 5:8- look them up, they are amazing. After, we went to the plaza festival in town, just to hang out as a group. There was a young boy playing a drum on the street curb, and before I knew it, our director had us all dancing on the curb to the beat! People gathered to see what was going on, and witnessed our laughter and joy.





## Upcoming Events!

So, as of right now, we don't have a finalized schedule, but here are a few upcoming things that are for sure, details pending.

**1.** WIZ KIDS. Throughout our 9 months, we will perform at an after school-tutoring program held in a church. They aren't allowed to bring in religion to the program, but it's a great opportunity for us to just minister to the kids through dance and friendship.

**2.** PROJECT DANCE. There is a group going to Atlanta this weekend to Project Dance, where many groups gather to perform and minister!

**3.** TWO WEEK TOUR IN JANUARY. Details and tour stops to follow!



## THREE WEEKS IN INDIA!

God has opened so many doors for us already. In December, we are going to India for roughly three weeks. We have opportunities to perform for people with nothing, as well as those in a more modernized setting. We have also been invited to perform for 10,000 plus people at a huge conference, alongside Hillsong. How cool is that? YAY GOD. The downside is that the trip will cost about \$3,500 (due Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>). BUT GOD IS FAITHFUL. Please join me in praying that He not only provides for myself, but the others on the team. Prayers needed for plentiful provisions, smooth flights, safe travels and God's presence on the whole trip. God is doing great things!



# Prayer Requests:

Although I have found a job (but I have yet to start), I'm still in need of funds for not only India, but just normal month-to-month expenses as well that my job cannot cover. I believe that God has placed me here for a reason, in His time and for His purpose. Please join me in believing that God will provide as He has promised and that not only will I be able to pay my bills and travel cost, but that I have peace about the financial circumstances, whatever they may be. I also ask that you would pray that old injuries do not return, and for full protection over the team. It's not easy doing what we do, especially when we will sometimes be performing on dirt roads with rocks and holes in India. Please pray that we grow even more as a team and that we can show the fullness of God's love to those who see us perform. God has huge plans for this team, and I pray that He continues to open doors for outreaches.

*Thank you so much for your prayers, support and love. It is overwhelming to know I have such a support system. Praying that God blesses you for being obedient to Him and for blessing me. More pictures and updates to come soon! Much love!*

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**Feel free to write me!**

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