

Hello from Edmond!

November 2, 2015



What a month!

At the beginning of the month, half of Arrows went to Atlanta for Project Dance, a Christian dance convention that companies from all over attend. Even though it started off a little rocky (the trailer got a flat tire an hour out of OKC), God did amazing things in and through our group, as well as throughout the convention. The hurricane was supposed to cause rain all weekend, but God held all of the heavy rain from the all day outdoor performance! It was amazing for our dancers to be able to be immersed in a weekend of performances and workshops with well-known companies and dancers in the Christian industry. Our very own Arrows directors even taught a workshop!

Upcoming events!

Send off concert!
Nov. 21, 2015

Our big India send-off concert! It is going to be awesome.

Trip to India!
Dec. 7-22

We'll be in rural areas and big cities. Lives will be changed.

U.S. Tour!
Jan. 13-27

Going on a two-week tour to NC, GA, AL, and many others!

I got a job!

I got a job babysitting two little girls (3 and 6) in the afternoons after school. The family is Vietnamese and Chinese, and are actually Buddhists. I don't mind (as I have some family that is) and they don't mind I'm a Christian. They have actually been huge blessings to my roommates and I, often sending me home with all kinds of food, and even what seemed to be a brand new coffee pot (ours short-circuited).

I also just got a side job (today!) working at Puppy Paws, a canine spa and daycare. I'm on the list in case someone can't go in, so hopefully I'll be able to have some weekend hours from that when we aren't on tour. I mean, what could be better than basically getting PAID to play with puppies your entire shift? I can not think of a more fun and relaxing job....especially since I miss my pup so much.





Trip to Oregon!

I was only able to go to the first night of performances at Church On The Rock, because I flew out to meet my parents in Boise, and from Boise we drove to Ontario (Oregon) to visit my grandparents. It was a huge blessing to be able to go see not only them, but my aunt and uncle as well, and several other extended family members I haven't seen in years.

While there, my parents and I were able to go through some of my grandparents' things. We found many remarkable things, digging further into their history. It was amazing. We even found old Japanese money and a letter addressed to my grandfather from 1918. In addition to the letter, we found papa's family tree; both the family tree and letter were written in Japanese.

Before leaving, I was able to dance for my grandparents and the other residents of their home at their Halloween party. I decided to do one of our Arrows dances, even though it was just me dancing. My grandparents haven't seen me dance since middle school, and keep saying they hope to see me dance soon. Because of their age, this may be the last time they ever see me perform. There is nothing like seeing the smile Nana and Papa got from seeing me dance. It was such a special moment.

October Happenings!

Besides the trip to Atlanta, we didn't have many performances or outreaches scheduled for October. At the end of the month, however, we performed three different days for a conference at Church On The Rock (where our directors go). We participated in worship and then would perform one (sometimes two) of our pieces. We even premiered a new piece called "Invade The Earth," which was choreographed to a song written by the COTR worship leader. He and our directors collaborated and it turned out to be a really powerful piece.





ONE MONTH UNTIL INDIA!

One month until Arrows travels to India! God has called us to India, and He is going to do some incredible things on this trip! Several of our members have been before, and God moved in amazing ways then, but we are praying to see even more miraculous things happen this trip. We will mostly be in the areas of Mumbai and Chennai, performing on stages, in churches, orphanages, schools, and even the dirt streets! We will also be performing and ministering at a huge youth conference (10,000+ expected!!) alongside the band Hillsong. Arrows is unique because we can speak to all nations through our language and passion of dance. This is our window to impact the nations, and we intend on bursting through making that window a double door.

There is still so much to be done, and a huge sum of funds to be raised. The trip will cost \$3500 per person, and 12 out of our 14 member company are going. I've raised about \$800 thus far, and I am so very grateful for those of you who have supported me! I still need a good majority of my funds. We are holding four fundraisers this month before we leave; however, splitting that between 12 of us will be a stretch. So, I need your help! Please join us in prayer for safety in traveling, as well as performing. We have a hectic schedule in India, so prayers for rest and rejuvenation are also going to be needed (because who knows how much sleep we'll actually be able to get!). Our prayer is to do as much work for the Kingdom as we can, and we fully believe God will show up and change lives!!



How to donate and support:

If you feel lead to help send me to India, please send cash or check (make it out to Arrows International, with "Lyanna-India" on the memo line) to:

Arrows International
P.O. Box 30101
Edmond, OK. 73003

Prayer Requests:

- ❖ **India, India, India!** That God provides above and beyond financially, and that all travel/housing accommodations details are finalized.
- ❖ **Protection and Healing!** Several of us in the company have been dealing with some kind of injury. We know it's a daily battle of warfare because we are doing so much for the Kingdom, but we are praying for full healing, as well as safety during performances, that injuries do not occur or worsen.
- ❖ **Favor and Grace,** that God's favor will go before us and open the right doors, provide the right people, and the right timing for everything we do.



Thank you for all of your prayers, support, and kinds words. They don't go unnoticed. I pray that God blesses you for your love and obedience. Next time you will be hearing from me, I'll be packing for India! If you ever feel compelled, please don't hesitate to write me. Mail from a familiar soul always brightens my day!

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Blessings!
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