Brocks Upper Room (BUR) Newsletter

BUR Ministry & Family Update

Winter 2023

We are excited to share some *new developments* as we begin 2023. Thank you for tracking with us as we're now in our 7th year since returning to Kansas City! We sense such a kairos time to **dare & declare** the "*impossible*!" We trust this finds you prospering & in good health.

What's New with BUR in 2023?

Tim going Overseas: Over the last year, Tim has been praying with a (HOP) core leader about helping HOPs in the Mediterranean, most recently, *Malaga, Spain*. Tim plans to rendezvous with son, Samuel to help an apostolic team gather elders in Malaga to lay foundation for a 24/7 HOP.

Directing a Full-on Suzuki & Worship Music Camp (SWMC) in Ottertail MN, (June 11-16) The SWMC camp will bring together 50+ families with Master Suzuki Teachers, providing Teacher Training & Master Classes in Guitar, Piano & Violin. The camp will include electives in additional instruments (voice, drums & bass) & other fun electives. The camp will offer 5 worship team tracks and a track for Fathers to lead their families in worship. The goal is to set the tone for family worship & musical growth, including fun, food & recreation for a lasting family memory!

New Ministry Developments & New Violin for Melody

With Stephen & Joseph moving out on their own, Tim & Melody resumed ministry together for the 1st time in 19 years! Their Fall Tour led to an exciting new connection with the Psalms (African American) Dance Network! This Apostolic team of prophetic dancer-trainers invited us to their Dominion Dance Conference in San Bernadino CA, (Nov 11/12, 2022).

The Dominion Dance Conference location was "claimed" by the director in a "red-light' region of the city. It marked us with renewed vision for fiery musical intercession with the arts in dark places. Our part in this conference was to lead intercession sets with the dance trainers to help release a prophetic anointing over the conference/San Bernadino region. This also led to a renewed relationship—someone who was a mentor to Melody in her early years—who helped her find a new violin in a short time!



BUR School of Music Continues to Grow!

Brocks Upper Room (KC) Suzuki & Worship School of Music (SOM) continues, entering its 6th year with 35 students (incl violin, piano & guitar)! It is a time of transitional growth with new students coming in and older students graduating. (Each semester includes 3 group classes & 1 worship recital)

<u>Prayer Request</u>: Please pray for provision for the Spain Trip (\$750) and the SWMC June Music Camp. The Camp will require substantial scholarships for several BUR Music School Families w/ missionary incomes. For those who would like to provide scholarships for camp registration (\$55), tuition (\$300) & 6 camp dinners (\$60), please make checks payable to BUR—Thank You!

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Recent BUR Ministry Tour Updates

The Brock "Musicianary" Family completed 4 unique tours which spanned the east, west & north US, including Alabama, Florida, **California**, Minnesota, North & South Carolina. The Family tours included intimate Home Gatherings, Churches, Houses of Prayer (HOP) and Family Worship Workshops! (See below for more details)

Winter Tour (Fort Mill, SC & Nashville TN, Dec 26—Jan 7th, 2023)

Tim & Melody (Brock Family Duo) ministered in the Fort Mill Prayer Community (Morning Star/MS) leading worship at 2 small but powerful home gatherings (Alan & Sandra McCain) and at the Bob Jones Vision Center (BJVC). With this unique gathering of elder eagles, we ministered to Him in intimacy & unity and saw the Lord impart fresh oil on those gathered. Our tour ended in Nashville with a techno-rhythmic "Prayer Jam" hosted by a family of fiery New Zealanders!

Firestarters Worship Center (Ottertail MN Nov 26-27, 2022)

The entire Brock Family (incl John, Lydia & baby Myah) conducted a Family Worship Workshop, culminating with Family Music (a hymn "String" arrangement by Stephen) & sharing the Word (Tim). The family dynamics of creating a culture of "loving God" were shared in a panel discussion. We led in spontaneous worship & shared candidly the challenges & victories of our particular family journey incl. family discipline, holy habits & *loving your spouse as top priority*.

Fall Feast Tour (AL & FL Sept 24—Oct 16, 2022)

Melody & Tim ventured out for a memorable Fall ministry tour that started & ended with a Wedding Celebration! The tour included 2 weddings—the first, David & Joy Anna (Cooper) in Alabama (9/24), then Carolyn & Maurice Sklar in Bradenton FL on the eve of Hurricane Ian (9/27). Our time in FL began with our precious friends who hold a strategic place of intercession in Orlando (Sovereign Lord Fellowship, Sept 25). After the hurricane, we ministered at Vero Bch (David & Tracey Ruleman, Embassy of Hope, Oct 2) and Islamarada, Keys (Marlin & Marion Simon, Spirit & Truth Church, Oct 9). Our tour culminated with the ultimate Marriage symbol—Feast of Tabernacles at Christian Retreat, (Phil Derstine, Bradenton, Oct 9-15) where we lead workshops on Prophetic Worship & the Tabernacle of David. (It was here that we met the Psalms Dance Network leaders that later invited us to San Bernadino.) The last night of the Feast, we led worship at an intimate "love-feast gathering at Shiloh Farms, Odessa (Don & Nancy Conwell, Oct 16)

Brock Family Update:

<u>Samuel & Zanny</u>: Purchased 2 acres in MN. Teaching in their music school. Prepping for SWMC <u>John & Lydia</u>: Working & doing great job raising Myah (9 mo). Now expecting their 2nd in Aug! <u>Stephen</u>: Apprenticing w/ electrician. Just finished tour w/ Reignite String/Drum Trio w/ Samuel <u>Joseph</u>: Moved in w/ Stephen. Junior year at UMKC in Finance & Marketing. Instagram w/ Cello

Red River Flute Project Praise Report: A huge praise and thank you for the generous donations for the Red River Flute Project! All 7 flutes are beautifully finished & financially covered!! (over \$8K in donations provided)

Thoughts From the Prayer Room: Jesus knows how to set up the real the question. When the rich young ruler asked what "one thing" he must do to inherit eternal life, Jesus listed all the commandments, but one. The young man answered, all these I have kept—but yet he realized something was missing, setting up the real question, "What do I lack?" Jesus said, [I thought you'd never ask]—"follow Me!" In other words, the 1st Commandment invitation! We get to yield all our stuff, to love Him wholeheartedly. But the plot thickens. The rich young ruler (and the disciples) didn't understand that the invitation requires supernatural help. It is impossible to go through the eye of a needle, but God gives grace! (Matt 19:16—26)