

# Word on the Street

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## We're coming to Richmond in April and Want to See You!

We will be in Richmond from April 19-25 and would love to see those of you who live in the area. In addition to speaking at West End Presbyterian on April 18<sup>th</sup> and Grace Community Presbyterian on April 25<sup>th</sup>, we'll be at the Panera at 10301 West Broad Street on the evening of Mon. the 19<sup>th</sup> from 7-9 p.m.

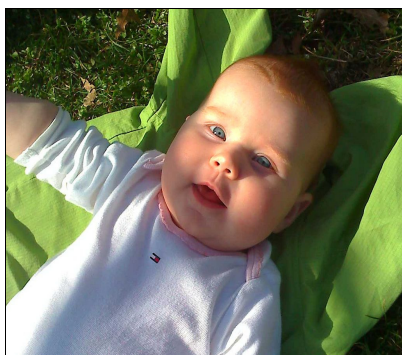
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Wow! A generous ministry partner has offered to match gifts toward the Tech Bridges Summer Intern Program up to \$1,000! You can be part of helping grow this vital program from two interns to three! If you are interested in contributing, please email or call Matt for details: [mattshenk@yahoo.com](mailto:mattshenk@yahoo.com) or (646) 287-4197.

## An Update from Anna

As I write, a unique siren wails here in Crown Heights. It's not a police car – but a siren that lets the Jewish community to the south of us know that Passover has begun. Instead of concerning me, the siren causes me to pause and reflect on God's faithfulness – from the blood that covered the doorways of the Israelites so that they would be passed over, to the blood of Christ that delivered me. I am so thankful to be marking Christ's death and resurrection this Easter and pray that each of you would have a blessed Easter.

Many of you have inquired about our **church** situation. We are now regularly attending a church about 3 miles from our home. We are sad to be at a church outside of Crown Heights but we know that this is only for a season. On an exciting note, we have been blessed to have met several other Christian families in the neighborhood who we can pray with – including a young woman who grew up here in the neighborhood.



On the **home front**, Thomas will be 3 in May and has spent his winter entertaining his little sister and taking an African Drumming class here in the neighborhood. The class was both fun and a great for him to learn about aspects of the predominant culture in our community. Trinity continues to be a very happy child and is busy rolling around and learning to sit up on her own. Now that Trinity has passed the six-month mark, I'm finding new freedom and energy to serve folks here in the community.

Matt spent Saturday preparing for Here's Life Inner City's annual **Easter Bag Outreach**. Ready to take on last minute changes, Matt had to be the forklift operator since the usual operator didn't make it. This year, 197 volunteers packed over 5,000 bags that will be used by church partners throughout the city to bring hope to those in need this Easter weekend. Please pray that the Lord would use these bags to open doors to the Gospel.

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