



**AUGUST 2024** 

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## 1,800 Miles in the Desert with Your Boss

Yup! CMDA Vice President of Campus & Community Ministries Rev. Bill Reichart and I spent the last week of July and the first week of August together. You might think, "That many hours with your boss? Sounds brutal." Hardly. We had a great time together and saw God's hand at work in ways we did not expect!

Las Vegas, Nevada to St. George, Utah to Albuquerque, New Mexico to Las Cruces, New Mexico to El Paso, Texas to Tucson, Arizona to Tempe, Arizona to Strawberry, Arizona and back to Phoenix, Arizona. Whew! What a trip. From the hustle and bustle of Las Vegas to the Red Rocks of Utah through the desert of New Mexico and the cacti of Arizona, we were blessed to see it all.

If I can say anything in response, it's that God is at work. Don't let any media tell you otherwise. We met an LDS (Mormon) student who came to faith in the Triune God after an overwhelming experience in his first anatomy lab; prayed for a physician in a malpractice case and only hours later heard that one of YOU was part of the conversation in his coming to faith in Jesus; met missionaries to Togo, Ecuador and Papua New Guinea; met a dentist who just arrived from India; and saw rich opportunities for communities of healthcare professionals across the desert.

When I captured the map seen here, it reminded me of the apostle Paul and all his journeys. His first was about 1,500 miles (tinyurl.com/yw3gdxo3), but the following two journeys and his trip to Rome were more than Bill and I traveled earlier this month. It's hard to believe.







Journey Distance (miles) Travel Time (days)

First	1,581	53
Second	3,050	100
Third	3,307	92
Rome	2,344	36

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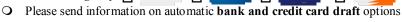
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I slept 15 hours straight the night I returned—apparently, I was tired. What I'm NOT tired of is your support and generosity, which urge me to be like a New Testament missionary to disciples who will transform thousands through healthcare.

With gratitude,



## **CMDA Events Upcoming**

- August 28 UC Davis PAACS Graduate Dr. Dembele speaking
- September 5-8 WPDC Conference, Branson, Missouri
- September 6, 12, 13 THRIVE Denver, Colorado Springs, Ft. Collins events
- September 9 Rocky Vista, Colorado event with Samaritan's Purse and Dr. Bill Griffin
- October 4-5 Great Commission Dental Conference, Dallas, Texas
- October 19-26 Augustine College West Conference
- November 7-9 Global Missions Health Conference, Louisville, Kentucky



- New medical students that they will join their campus CMDA chapter
- Student leaders developing chapters
- Christian faculty at medical schools
- Michael McLaughlin's shoulder surgery recovery
- Colorado tour
- Augustine College event October 20-25
- My mom recovering from arm and hip surgery after a bad fall (August 23)
- Our Kenzie Joy in Tennessee her first semester of college

## **Tentative Schedule**

- August 26 week UC Davis, UCSF, Ukiah
- September 6-14 Colorado (Denver, Springs, Ft. Collins)
- October 3-9 Honolulu, Hawaii (with Katey and Sherry)
- October 19-26 SoCal (Augustine College West Conference)
- December 1-7 Tennessee















