



## **KATIE TOLLIVER UPDATE**

### **JOSHUA WILDERNESS INSTITUTE**

Dear Valley Christian Church –

I just wanted to say a HUGE thank you for your incredible support in helping me get to the Joshua Wilderness Institute. I wouldn't be here if it weren't for your help. We are in our 8<sup>th</sup> week here at Joshua, and I have already learned so much. Each day I am here, God confirms more and more to me how much he wants me here. Thank you so much for helping me get here.

I have been learning so much in the past 8 weeks, like learning more deeply who God is, who I am in Him, and how to effectively love others. In just over a week, we will be heading down to Mexico for our first out-of-country mission trip, where we get to work and serve a deaf children orphanage. I'm really excited to use what I've been learning to effectively love and serve these children.

Again, I would not be able to do this without your support, so thank you from the bottom of my heart. I can't wait to see what God reveals through the rest of this year, and I can't wait to share it with you all. Please continue to pray for me through this year. It has been and will continue to be both physically and spiritually challenging.

Thank you so much again!

Sincerely,  
Katie Tolliver



### **JOSHUA WILDERNESS INSTITUTE MISSION**

Our mission statement at Joshua, "Transforming the Life Effectiveness of God's People" is simple. But the process by which this mission is realized is anything but. Utilizing a combination of theology, Bible study skills, philosophy and worldview training, evangelism, character development, personal life skills, and monthly mission trips, we endeavor to

expose students to life, guide them to discern God's will, and cultivate a spiritual passion and calling. Ultimately though, it is not our programming or passion that transforms these students.

It is God Himself responding to the individual cry of each one who has purposefully set this time aside to be transformed. The sole motivation for attendance should be life effectiveness, through an increase in wisdom. When students come with that singular goal in mind, each one takes home a measure of transformation proportional to his or her individual drive and desire to be more like Christ.