

Meet the Baileys!

Daniel Bailey was born and raised in the Midwest. He was born in St. Louis, and moved at age 6. After a short stint in Omaha, NE, he spent ages 8-18 in the country, north of Kearney, Missouri. It was in Kearney where he met his wife, Katie, during their freshman year of high school. He noticed her in 4th hour Civics class, and the rest is history!

After high school, Dan went to Wheaton College Conservatory of Music in Wheaton, Illinois, where he majored in Vocal Performance. When he and his best friend, a fellow voice major, were bored in class, they made up their own language and spent time adding to their vocabulary – even categorized by parts of speech!

Once graduated in 2005, Dan continued on to Wheaton Graduate School, gaining a degree in Intercultural Studies. He and Katie knew they'd be serving overseas; therefore, he wanted to dig into subjects such as Intercultural Communication, Contextualization, and Cross-Cultural Research to be as effective as possible in the mission field. He completed this degree in 2009.

As a worship leader, Dan has served in many capacities. From 2003-2007, he served as Volunteer Worship Leader at a church in Wheaton. He went on to serve as Children's Director at Bloomingdale Church in Bloomingdale, IL. In 2009, Dan was made Worship Director of that church, where he oversaw all details of three weekend services, grew the music ministry from two to five worship teams, established and directed a choir of 30, and collaborated with the Pastor and creative team to develop engaging themes for sermons and series. In 2013, Dan and Katie felt the call to the mission field.

The Baileys served in North Africa from 2013 to 2017. While there, Dan served as Worship Leader at an International Fellowship, taught Advanced English as a Second Language, gave piano lessons, and became fluent in the local language.

Dan and Katie have three children: Felicity, 5, Moriah, 2, and Ephraim, 6 months. They love to visit parks to let the kids run and play. They enjoy trying new local restaurants, and the family likes to take road trips to visit new places, both in the United States and abroad.

Emmanuel is excited to welcome Dan and his family the weekend of August 6th. Please mark your calendars to attend either the 9:30 or 11:00 service!

