

## Road Trips: An Adorer Candidate's Summer

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Around this time of year, students and teachers begin to feel the effects of “spring fever.” Signs of new life in budding trees, colorful flora, celebrations of Easter, etc. can't help but fast forward minds and hearts to the closeness of the end of school. With that comes one of the favorite parts of teaching, namely JUNE, JULY and AUGUST!

**Morgan Schweitzer**, our U.S. ASC Candidate, is no different in looking forward to the summer, following her second year of teaching Grade 1 at Resurrection School in Wichita, Kansas. Summer plans are underway for a variety of experiences that will connect Morgan with many ASCs in the United States. The term “road trip” will take on new meaning for her.



*Morgan Schweitzer*

At the end of May, Morgan's first road trip will be to the ASC Ruma (IL) Center for several days of retreat led by Sr. Janis Yaekel, ASC. It will also be a time to renew connections with Sisters she has grown to know and love in the last few years. In the latter part of June she'll take another road trip to Columbia, PA and participate in the ASC Assembly with sisters at the Columbia Center. It will be her first visit to the area and she's excited about getting to know even more ASCs.

In between, from June 4 to 14, Morgan will be living out a dream that she's held in a corner of her heart for several years. She's been invited by an education professor at ASC-sponsored Newman University in Wichita to assist in a Tibetan Children's Village project. It includes an “instructional best practices” seminar, and identification, discovery and development of gifted and talented children. She will be working side by side with other teachers from the U.S and teachers in Dharamsala, India.

While June is full for Morgan, July will also have her in the air and on the road again. She will fly to Florida to spend several weeks with her family, and later travel with ASCs to Crownpoint, NM for a week-long Precious Blood collaborative ministry experience with women and men in formation. Time spent on the reservation will be another cultural experience and an opportunity to strengthen bonds with Precious Blood family members.

It will be quite a summer for Morgan, but one that holds transforming possibilities to reflect on and see the wondrous workings of God in her life.

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