

CLARK FAMILY UPDATE FEB 2010

**Touching the World
By Sending Workers
Into God's Harvest**

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SENDING INTO STRATEGIC PLACES

We have the privilege of helping connect new missionaries to the lands and people to which God has called them.

SOUTH AFRICA

Sometimes God opens up a strategic ministry opportunity for a short time. This is true for reaching athletes who are at events such as the Olympics that are going on now. The World Cup Soccer Championship is another such opportunity. This June, athletes and fans will descend upon South Africa to enjoy soccer!



For 30 days every 4 years this becomes the most watched championship sport in the world. People from many nations converge on South Africa intent on seeing soccer,



AIA Team in South Africa

and that interest opens up many opportunities to reach people for Christ. Athletes in Action is partnering with South Africa CCC to prepare many outreaches.

Our team has already sent 3 STINT workers to prepare for the World Cup. Andrew, Riley, and Danielle are building relationships with local churches and sports people to help coordinate soccer clinics, and plan events with athletes and pro-to-pro team games where the gospel will be shared. They are contacting local churches who will follow up on the people who express interest in learning more about Jesus at these outreaches. Teams of summer project workers will also come to help get the Gospel out to those who are seeking the Lord!

GOD'S NETWORKING

Andrew, one of the STINTers we sent, has been ministering to college athletes and to professionals. While attending a professional cricket match, he "happened" to see a former ESPN commentator, Peter Davies, in the hallway. He was able to share about his work with AIA, and the result was the AIA team was invited to tour the studio at SuperSport, South



Africa's great sports channel.

Let's pray together for the AIA team that these relationships with pro athletes and sportscasters will lead to many more opportunities for the gospel during this season of high interest in the World Cup.

To learn more about the project they are helping prepare, visit www.youtube.com and search for "Athletes in Action 2010 World Cup Vision" or see www.aia.org.za .

ALL OVER THE WORLD

We are about to send another staff couple into one of the central Asia "stan" countries in Central Asia. This couple will minister to local people and develop and train local believers in new ministries.

We are working with applicants preparing to go to Russia, to Mongolia and East Asia, to teach in the Philippines, and to work here in Orlando with missionary kids. We are thankful that God is raising up laborers to reach hurting and lost people around the world with the wonderful message of salvation in Christ!



Steve and the Sending Team

As you pray for our Sending Team please pray for wisdom and discernment as we evaluate candidates for these positions.

FAMILY NEWS

February is a busy birthday month for our family. Melissa turned 17 on Feb. 16th and Joshua turned 7 on Feb. 20th. We are wondering how our little ones have grown up so fast!

Josh celebrated with 7 buddies at a local bowling alley. The kids were so excited!



Melissa has plans to celebrate with two of her girlfriends at a Magic Game. She has become a die-hard Magic fan since moving here to Orlando. :)



Melissa also passed her driver's test! She loves the new freedom that gives her and it reduces some of Rochelle's time spent as a chauffeur!

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

I have started using a new email address, replacing stcinjapan@aol.com with a new one, clarkfamilyorlando@gmail.com for all our communications with you. Please update your address books and add us to your lists of approved recipients. We send out 2 or 3 **prayer email updates** a month, so if you would like to hear our prayer requests more often, please send me a request at clarkfamilyorlando@gmail.com and I will add you in.

Thanks for being such a great partner helping us to get God's people into his harvest! We are thankful for your help to accomplish the Great Commission in this generation. God bless you!

*With love and thanks,
Steve, Rochelle, Andy, Ben,
Melissa and Josh*