



PFL'S QUARTERLY NEWSLETTERS

Personnel and Family Life will be providing a new cycle of communication to you. Rather than the monthly newsletter we have been making available from this office, we will go to a quarterly system of newsletters. Since the development of our Web site www.GoAG.org our efforts have been significantly blessed.



The vast opportunities for missionary service that used to be contained in a few notebooks and computers here at headquarters are now openly available to our colleges, churches, and individuals. We have also placed on this Web site the missions guide *Wide Open* for those looking toward the possibility of fulfilling their missionary call for short-term ministry or a lifetime of service. The focus of this Web site is missionary opportunities and how to get started. Because of what we provide through this Web site, we anticipate that our newsletters will address what we believe will be of greater substance to you.

As we gear up in this process, our next newsletter to you will be sent in January 2008; until then—God's very best to you!

Your friend and brother,

Rick Johnson



Headquarters will be closed:

- November 22 and 23 for Thanksgiving.
- December 24 through 28 in celebration of our Savior's birth.

We wish you a blessed holiday season!



ISMK MISSIONS TRIP 2008

JULY 24–AUGUST 5, 2008

Last summer was our first ISMK missions trip to Honduras. Twelve people went, and it was amazing! Since it went so well and so many expressed interest in another missions trip, Bwana Chad is going to lead another one!

Summer 2008 we will take a missions trip to Nairobi, Kenya! We will work with a local missionary and the area director, ministering to young people in the city of Nairobi. We have room for 15 people on this trip (12 MKs and 3 staff). As of the first of November, we already have 8 people (2 staff and 6 MKs) registered for the trip. These spots are on a first-come, first-served basis. There is a \$100 deposit to reserve a place on this trip. If you want to be part of this trip, fill out the application, and send it in along with your \$100 deposit. The total cost of the time in Kenya is \$1000, which will include all your transportation, meals, lodging, and a one-day safari. Airfare will vary depending on where you are flying from.



CHAD AND DARGAN PHILLIPS

ISMK E-Mail Addresses. I also have had a couple questions about our e-mail addresses for MKs. We recently changed the settings on our server to increase the standard for e-mail spam. This will help protect our kids from receiving unwanted e-mails, but it may also cause some e-mails that you want to receive to be blocked. There is a balance of what gets through and what does not, and we are trying to find the right balance. If your child is getting a huge amount of junk mail, I would check with him or her about whom they are giving their e-mail address to. My daughter is on the MK e-mail address system, which helps me monitor how things are working. We also have a filtering software program (McAfee), which helps filter out unwanted e-mails before she ever sees them. We also set up her e-mail address in Outlook Express, which has its own filtering system. Between all of these systems, she gets very little spam. The only spam I have seen her receive recently was from Web sites where she “registered” —kids’ sites which then start sending information. We are very proactive in monitoring these things, and we recommend you be proactive with your children’s e-mail also.

Web Site. I often receive e-mails from missionaries with questions about schooling, MK events, or conferences/retreats. If you have questions, I recommend you check out the Web site www.ismk.org. We are doing our best to place information there that missionaries are requesting. If you would like to see additional information and resources not currently available on the Web site, please let us know!

Bwana Chad

DR. DEBBIE HIGHFILL

This is our opportunity to introduce another valuable member of the PFL staff. Dr. Debbie Highfill, our Medical Processing manager, administrates the operation of the medical processes for our missionaries, candidates, and missionary associates. Deb's medical training is a tremendous asset to our missionaries. She also provides leadership to our medical processing team, which includes Amanda Hall, Linda Tasker, and Margo Long.

Deb and her husband Guy, who serves as director of Life Publishers International, are missionaries. She and Guy feel that some of their greatest blessings in life are their four boys, three daughters-in-law, and their granddaughter—the newest addition.

Deb attended several schools and graduated from Cox College of Nursing and Health Sciences and Evangel College with a B.S.N.; Clarkson College with a master's in nursing administration; and TUI University with a Ph.D. in international health. In addition to her academic credentials, Deb has held several teaching positions—a professor for Missouri State University, Canyon University, Wesleyan University, and TUI University. Additionally, she has worked in several hospitals as a floor nurse and in surgical services positions from scrub/circulation nurse to administration. She also was nursing director for a large eye clinic/surgery organization. She has sat on different hospital committees and community boards, such as the Ethics Committee and Research Board.

We all appreciate the warmth, attentiveness, and sensitivity Deb continually demonstrates to our missionary family, and we are thankful to have her with us. Deb, Amanda, Linda, and Margo consider it a great privilege to be able to serve the missionary family and to assist in preventive and corrective health care.



DR. DEBBIE HIGHFILL

"PERHAPS IT TAKES A PURER FAITH TO PRAISE GOD FOR UNREALIZED BLESSINGS THAN FOR THOSE WE ONCE ENJOYED OR THOSE WE ENJOY NOW."

—A. W. Tozer



"Like Thanksgiving, the spirit of Christmas was never meant to be shut up into a single day."

Robert Flatt

"Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever" (1 Chronicles 16:34, NIV).

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