



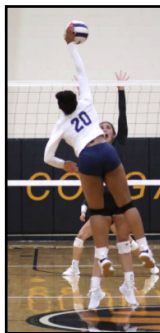
Reach Up Reach Out!



Dear Friends,

November 15, 2020

I am filled with joy at all God is doing in the midst of so many challenges we all continually face regarding the global pandemic. In July, I was asked to help coach a local private Christian high school. The previous coach had to transition for family reasons and asked if I could step in this season. We recently finished and, by God's grace, made it to the quarter finals of the states. More importantly, we were able to encourage the players to reach up to God and reach out to others. One of our players, Khalia, was also on our Uptime Volleyball team. She went from being a back-up player last season to being selected "All-District" this year. She texted me about her experience,



Khalia, on right, receiving All-District & flying high

Hey coach! I would like to start off by saying that I never really knew what it felt like to be on a team before volleyball. I always ran track and in track your main focus is your self. Whether you win or lose is all up to you. But with volleyball especially this year I have learned so much about community and having faith in the Lord and one another. I got a feel for what it is truly like to depend on others and in return have others depend on you. I also used to get really nervous before games and now I just trust in God and know that whatever the outcome is that is the plan that God had for us. I have learned a tremendous amount about teamwork and uplifting others in a time of need.

As a missionaries, Mandy and I are grateful for every method God gives to bring Khalia and others into a closer relationship with Him and others. As you can imagine, the COVID Pandemic has closed some doors but opened new ones. As a family, we are growing in many ways and, thankfully, God is with us every step. We pray you would also find new ways to express your love and faith in Our Heavenly Father and the precious gift of Jesus Christ.

In some other exciting news, our son David, who is now a senior, had the opportunity to play quarterback on the varsity football team. It was a miracle we could even have a season and he learned a great deal on leadership during his time. We are very proud of the young man he has become and are helping him begin the transition towards college. Here's a picture of the homecoming game where he was asked to escort the homecoming queen during halftime. He told Mandy and I, "If I walk the queen, I must be the king." We love his humility and perspective. Haha!



Please know how deeply grateful we are for your continued faithfulness as we continue to reach out. You are a gift beyond words to us and to so many others being impacted by your love and sacrifice.

Deeply grateful for you!!

Much love,

Dave and Mandy



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