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Awana Missionaries



WHERE IT ALL BEGAN!

NORTH SIDE GOSPEL CENTER - CHICAGO

CC 301 - CHICAGO - JULY 2010

At Commander College 301 we took a field trip to the North Side Gospel Center, the birthplace of Awana. I'm standing on the center of their game circle in the basement where young people have enjoyed Awana for over 50 years!

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR PARTNERING WITH US!

As I reflect on the 2009-2010 Awana Club year, I am so thankful for God's provision. We have personally seen dozens of clubbers trust Christ this year, and heard stories of many, many, more! Young people have been strengthened in their faith. They have committed many verses to memory. Some of these verses will bear fruit immediately; some will bear fruit in the years to come.

Our times of training and encouragement with key Awana leaders has been a blessing. Commander College brought new and experienced Commanders together for friendship, encouragement, and instruction.

We taught almost 100 Awana Commanders from the Western United States at Commander College 101 and

201 this year. All of this occurred because of your faithful support of Kim and I, and the Awana Ministry in the Northwest Region. Thank you, from the bottom of our hearts.

Please Pray :

- For the churches considering starting Awana for the first time next fall.
- For Heather during her pregnancy.
- For Joel's new job.
- For Matt as he assumes new responsibilities at work.
- For our ministry finances. We have 12 new ministry partners. We are praying for 18 more to help us in both prayer and finances.

Gossien Family News

• Our daughter Heather, and her husband Joel, are expecting a baby on October 27th! We are so excited for them!

• Joel has been hired as the (full time) Choir instructor at Western Mennonite School. He will be conducting 5 choirs as part of his job!

• Matt has received a promotion at his job at Starbucks. He's excited about the new responsibilities. He and Joy are doing well.

State Finals - Awana Bible Quiz



Oregon State Bible Quiz Champions
(First place on the bottom, runners up on the steps behind them.)

These are the Oregon State Bible Quiz Champions and Runners Up for 2010. Top finishers from local Bible Quizzes were invited to the State Finals. The competition was amazing. The real prize was that God's Word was deeply planted in the minds and hearts of hundreds of Awana Bible Quizzers as they prepared for and competed in Bible Quiz. We can't wait to see what God will do with next year's Oregon State Bible Quiz Finals.