

A WORD FROM THE WENIGS

Summer 2008

University of North Carolina & Duke University



OUR WEDDING - "We rejoice with you, Kyle and Jayne, as you begin this honorable and holy relationship where the two of you become one!" These words said by Leif Anderson, our friend and the pastor who married us, are some of the most amazing words we have ever heard. God united us in marriage for a lifetime of love and service on July 19th— a day that we will never forget because it overflowed with joyful excitement and was covered by love. Our wedding day was celebrated in Lancaster, PA, followed by our honeymoon in Riviera Maya, Mexico. After returning from our honeymoon, we spent some time in Oostburg, WI celebrating with friends and family who were unable to make the trip East for the wedding.

OUR MINISTRY - We are now back in North Carolina for the ministry God has blessed us to share in TOGETHER! We are daily being reminded of how he has made us an amazing TEAM! It's so much better together than apart. He used us uniquely and powerfully in our ministry as singles, but we are so excited for how He will work through us as "TEAM WENIG." We have the opportunity to serve the athletes, coaches, and other athletic influencers at University of North Carolina as well as Duke University. Our primary focus of ministry will be at UNC, but God's Spirit has also been moving in really cool ways at Duke through their student-led Bible studies. We have felt Him encouraging us to come alongside those student leaders and resource them. Please pray for us as we seek Him for what that will look like!

OUR SUPPORTERS - We are very thankful for how you have supported and blessed us as we have served God independently as singles. We have not been able to do this without you. As God has joined our lives, He is also blending our ministry AND support team. By supporting one of us, you bless us both! The ONLY changes this means for you as our support team is that you are blessing and empowering the two of us, not just one. Also, we now have the same staff account **(0581139)**.

Those who have supported Jayne in the past, this means a slight adjustment— writing the new # (0581139) on your donations. Any donations sent to Jayne's old account # will be forwarded to the new account, but we wanted you to know of this transition. Another option to make your giving easier would be to consider giving by credit card or electronic fund transfer. To do this, go to www.give.ccci.org and type in "Wenig" in the staff box .

We will look forward to keeping in touch with you via "A Word from the Wenigs." Another way to see pictures and get updates on our life and ministry in North Carolina is through our new ministry website www.TEAMWENIG.com. On that webpage you will also find a link to more pictures of our wedding and a short highlight video of our wedding day!

THANK YOU for your continued love and support! We appreciate you and are praying for you!

Kyle & Jayne

URBAN PROJECT: Los Angeles...

Another VERY significant part of our summer was serving with Athletes in Action's mission trip for athletes who wanted to serve in the urban poor community. We led a group of 25 athletes from around the country in wrestling with issues of race, diversity, power struggle, and intense poverty. We had teaching time and Bible studies each morning and evening. Each afternoon went to "ministry sites" and applied what we were learning as we loved-on and encouraged children in these poor areas of LA through after-school programs. For more pictures and highlights of our time in LA, please see [the back page!](#)



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ABOVE: Taking the kids from our ministry sites to a “day at the beach” field trip – giving them an opportunity for some fun in the sun away from the crime, fear and battles against the evil of their every day life. (above we are praying over our lunch.)



ABOVE: On one of our nights off, we went on a double date with two athletes from Univ. of Southern California. Kyle did a great job of teaching by example what it looks like for a man to encourage, respect, and pursue a woman. He led Duron in buying Kate and I each flowers!



LEFT: Eugenia (UNC Rower) competing in the SPECIAL– a 24 hour competition focused on building our trust and dependence on God through our brokenness and exhaustion. Eugenia’s experience in LA allowed her to be open to God leading her to be His instrument there through an internship next year at Skid Row– the largest homeless area in the US.

RIGHT: Niobra (graduated UNC Track) loving on a little girl from Nickerson Gardens, a housing project in Watts that is overrun with gang violence and depravity.



ABOVE: Kyle with Justin (IUP football) & Brett (graduate of Univ. of Delaware football) at their ministry site– Nickerson Gardens. In a place where there are few solid male role models, these men stood firm in the Lord and taught the kids in the community what it looks like to be men of integrity, character, and love...Men of God



ABOVE: Ingrid (UNC Volleyball) works on a sidewalk art project with another girl from Nickerson Gardens. Ingrid was powerfully impacted by her time at Urban Project. She wrote a letter to the “family” at the end of the project and she talked about how the project was full of first time experiences... **“I have never read a book of the Bible, just to read it. I have never had a conversation about what angels were, and if there were bad ones as well as good ones. I have never understood or truly believed the Bible. Well, there is a first time for everything and a lot of those happened while I was here on this project!”** Please pray for Ingrid as she learns more about trusting God’s word and living the life of holiness and love He offers her the power to live.

RIGHT: Jayne with college athletes and kids from Skid Row on a “Vision Trip.” We took the kids to three different LA City colleges one week to cast vision for them that “God has a plan for their lives...plans for good and not harm, plans to give them hope and a future” Jeremiah 29:11-13. There is hope that they could go to college and journey a different path than those around them. While at Pasadena City College, they allowed us to use their pool for some refreshment from the heat.

