## A Word from the Wenigs ...





Team Wenig Easter

## **Prayer Requests:**

~ That we would walk by faith through the details of paperwork and applying for our visa. That we would worship God in taking care of these steps

~ For God's favor that we would be granted the visa / permission to go & His timing in when we would move to Australia

~ For God's provision of the life needs we will have in Sydney, such as housing, furniture, etc.

~ For God's provision of financial needs as we need to raise support for increased cost of living.

~ For the AIA Australia team we will be joining (Gary Speckman & Jess Blake) - for team unity and vision for our ministry together.



**SYDNEY BOUND**—We have exciting and joyful news that we want to share with you! Over the past several months, the Lord has been preparing our hearts for a new chapter of our faith adventure. God has laid it on our hearts to continue serving with Campus Crusade for Christ / Athletes in Action, but has been directing our steps to a season of ministering internationally. As we've prayed over this, He has been opening doors and showing us the need for laborers in Sydney, Australia. Our response is: "Here I am. Send me." - Isaiah 6:8

**How He has led us—** This has been an amazing opportunity to seek HIM and trust in the ways He directs us if we are willing to wait patiently. We have sensed the Lord guiding us through some key passages of Scripture (the story of Abraham in Genesis 12 & Hebrews 11, Psalm 27, Luke 9:23-25, & Joshua1:1-9 among others), the counsel and wisdom of several godly men and women in our lives, as well as through prayer and circumstances. First He made it clear that He was calling us to international ministry, and as He confirmed that, He opened a door where we weren't even aware there was a need...AUSTRALIA!

**The Need-** Talking with our AIA Australia staff members who we will join, they shared with us a vision of why there is such a need for Christ-centered sports laborers. Sports are HUGE in Australia, and while that is the one thing that people get extremely excited about, the rest of life is generally laid back, bordering on apathetic. They are open to the Gospel, but because they are so self-reliant and from "the lucky country" where very little seems to go wrong, they don't recognize their sin and need for a Savior. Also, people from around the globe love Australia and flock there, especially for sports. When you impact Australia, you impact the nations. We are trusting God to use our experiences serving in the United States, where there is such a similar perspective, to reach a country where there are so few Christian laborers. Part of our goal in going there for 1-2 years is to pour into and equip Australian athletes and recruit them to serve in full time ministry, replacing us when we come back to the United States.

**The Process–** We have been approved by Campus Crusade to serve overseas for 1-2 years. We are in the process of applying for "religious worker visas" to live in Australia. This is an extensive process. Think dentist's chairs and DMV waiting lines (painful and slow). How this process goes will determine when we can move to Sydney, but we are hopeful that it will be sometime in September. In the meantime, we have been finishing strong with our ministry and life here at UNC as well as preparing to help lead 8 students on our summer project to East Asia.

**You—** While we are so excited to be going on this God-sized adventure to The Land Down Under, we want to thank you for the important role that you have in it as our ministry partners. We hope that you are also looking forward to the impact that you will have in bringing the Good News to

Australia — a nation desperately in need of hearing about our Savior — Jesus Christ!

With love and thanks! Kyle, Jayne & AJ

(Please notice our address for the near future is Kyle's parents' home in WI) Kyle & Jayne Wenig Kyle & Jayne Wenig

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