



Ministry Update

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What's Happened Since You Last Heard From Us?

If you've received our Ministry Update newsletters in the past, we hope that you'll notice a difference in this issue. Yes, we know it's been a long time since you received a Ministry Update from us. If you missed it, we're sorry about the delay. No excuses except that time has just gotten away from us. But we know that it is important to update you on what is happening in our ministry.

The secular division of Williamson Productions, **Fun Magic and Puppets**, has been a very successful venture this summer. Since the beginning of the year, through Fun Magic and Puppets, we have performed 80 secular events (preschools, libraries, birthday parties, and other misc. events). The website for this division is www.FunMagicAndPuppets.com

In order to more effectively differentiate between the secular and religious events that we perform, the religious division of Williamson Productions will now be known as **Williamson Ministries** (see our new logo above). Since the beginning of the year, we have performed 45 ministry events. We believe this name revision will open additional doors for us. The website for this division is www.WilliamsonMinistries.org.

Fun Magic and Puppets and Williamson Ministries will continue to operate under the "parent" organization of Williamson Productions.

As most of you know, we have been making plans towards a **short-term mission trip to India**. Initially, we had anticipated this trip taking place in September. By God's design, the trip has been postponed to **January 2010**. This actually works better for everyone who will be involved in this trip. It will even allow us the opportunity to spend more time in India, approximately ten days with Campus Crusade for Christ International, and then an additional 6-8 days with Children's Camps International (Indian Bible Camps). We will be flying into Chennai (exact date yet to be determined) and then traveling to at least five other cities while we are there.

We both now have our passports and have received our immunizations.



Very soon, we will be starting the visa process.

While we have raised the majority of finances needed for this endeavor, we are still short of reaching our targeted goal. Our hearts are filled with thanksgiving to everyone who has supported us prayerfully, financially and with encouraging words. If you would like more information on how you can support this missionary trip, please see the enclosed brochure. Your prayer support and financial support are deeply appreciated.

A few months back, we attended the **Gospel Magic Show Conference in Branson, MO**. As was the case in 2008, we came away from that conference feeling greatly encouraged, full of anticipation, and bursting with ideas for what the future could hold. One of the highlights of this event was the fellowship with other Christians who have a passion for sharing the gospel through the use of magic and illusions. Another highlight was having a 5-minute portion of our performance evaluated and critiqued by several top magicians. We received some very constructive and helpful suggestions, and it was this critique session that led to our being asked to participate in the short term mission trip to India.

David is currently working on recording and producing a series of **Counsel Time Messages on DVD** that can be used by Awana leaders during their club counsel time

Check out our calendar at www.williamsonproductions.com for upcoming events.



This photo was taken just before we went on stage for our critique session (looking rather calm, I must say).

to help teach and illustrate Bible verses being memorized by kids participating in Awana. We will be **leading creative ministry workshops in three upcoming Awana Leadership Conferences** (in Iowa, Missouri and Kansas) starting the end of August, and we hope to have at least the first volume available for sale to the leaders by then.

While this project is not directly endorsed by Awana Clubs International, we have heard from several Awana leaders that this is something they would definitely use for their own club counsel time. It's an exciting project,

and one that we hope will help kids in their Bible memory and retention.

Another exciting recent development has been the **partnership of David Williamson and Craig "Hutch" Hutchison** (host of "Soul Search," a weekly TV program found on Mediacom channel 17) for a **weekly webcast** where they share the love of God on the world wide web. The webcast (called "Soul Search on the Web") is located at **www.macsworldlive.com** (click on Des Moines Live), **Sunday afternoons from 3 until 5 PM**. The format of this program is talk show style, with music videos and interviews. Be sure to tune in every week! Please pray for David and Hutch as they share their faith with the "world" in this new format.

One final update...**Williamson Productions will be relocating**. **When** we will be relocating and **where** God is leading us had not yet been made perfectly clear, but we do know that he is directing us to become more "mobile," able to go quickly where He leads us.

We have placed our house on the market, and we will be looking for a rental property as soon as a timeline is established. Our current options are to remain local in the Des Moines area, but another door we see God opening is to possibly relocate to the Kansas City area. While the idea of leaving the Des Moines area is a difficult one to consider, we want to be open to where God is leading and where our ministry can be used most effectively by Him.

We covet your prayers on our behalf as we seek God's direction in this important step.

Our **heartfelt thanks** again go out to all who continue to support us through your prayers and financial support. We give Him all the glory and praise for what He has done through our ministry. May God continue to bless you with His riches in glory.

In His Service,

"We, however, will not boast beyond proper limits, but will confine our boasting to the field God has assigned to us, a field that reaches even to you... Our hope is that, as your faith continues to grow, our area of activity among you will greatly expand, so that we can preach the gospel in the regions beyond you." -- 2 Corinthians 10:13, 15b-16

Please remember to pray...

General Requests:

- For wisdom in discerning God's direction and leading
- For opportunities to lead kids and adults to Jesus Christ.
- For those individuals who have made decisions for Jesus that their walk with the Lord would continue to grow.
- For God's provision of some specific needs we currently have.

Specific Requests:

- Upcoming relocation - when and where...
- India short term missions trip - raising final financial support needs, visa processing, travel arrangements
- Provision of a van to be used for missions trips within the Midwest

Regularly check our online calendar so you'll know where we'll be as you pray.

Because this is a full-time ministry, we are trusting God to provide for our ministry needs as well as our every day needs. Should you wish to financially support the ministry of Williamson Productions, your contribution can be tax-deductible if made through Olivet Church. Checks should be made out to "Olivet Church." **Be sure to write "Williamson Productions" on the memo line of your check.** Contributions can be placed into the offering plate on Sunday mornings or mailed to the church directly (2743 82nd Pl., Urbandale, IA 50322).

Thank you for your support!!