



Whirlwind Missions

Ashley's Dispatch

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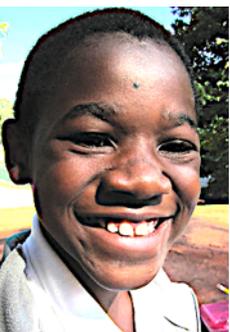
Monday classes begin at 10 AM with Business Informations Systems. It's in B building be right above The Collegian office, which is fun for me because I can stop by and chat with my "newsies." I climb the stairs and walk into room 2305. It's a room full of thin screened computers. I take a seat at number 32 in the second row. A big blonde woman walks in. She glances at me and smiles. "I like your dress, it's very retro." says the professor. "Thanks." I smile back. Ms. Hollingsworth begins to call roll. "Ashley Cummins?" I raise my hand, "Here." "Oh yeah, you're Retro Ashley, now." She begins teaching with a powerpoint. From the first lecture I've learned that businesses gather data, use computers to organize the information then they put it to use giving the company a competitive edge. I can't wait to learn some new things to talk to Jesse, my InfoTech, brother about.



After Information Systems is World History with Professor Zayac, right down the hall. I grab a seat near the front and in walks the teacher, a tall man with an orange button up and spastic, curly, black hair. He reminds me of Kramer from Seinfeld. He energetically walks around the class describing the Fertile Crescent and Mesopotamia. As he talks, he tells the story of the Samaritans living in Jericho. We learn about how they built their cities with mudbricks and straw, farmed wheat and traded Lapis Lazuli. I enjoy connecting what I'm reading in my Bible with what I'm discovering in class. Right now in my One Year Bible I'm reading about Joseph, he's Pharaohs' number one man, in charge of collecting and storing grain for the people of Egypt in preparation for the seven years of famine. There got to be so much grain that he stopped keeping record. After this class I know that he was probably writing in Cuneiform on papyrus leaves with a wedge stick.



My last class of the day is the first high level class of my major, Basic News writing. This will be a good class because it's with Mrs. Westfall. She's a tiny, tough, white haired lady that I've had multiple classes with. She used to work at a radio station and is a street wise Journalism teacher. We go around the class each talking about the news articles we've read and why they're relevant, engaging and news worthy. Mine was about the Somalian pirates that took over a ship in the Arabian Sea. The South Koreans sent out a navy destroyer to rescue the crew. After a five hour shoot out and chase, the pirates tired out and the Korean crew was safely rescued. This class is going to help me to become more aware current affairs.



Tomorrow I have Anthropology. I'm looking forward to learning about different cultures all around the world.

Thank you for supporting me as a student of the world.

Love,

