



# **Whirlwind Missions**

## Outreach Update

### August 2017



Hello, my friends!

What a day! Our final day of the Summer with one of the best teams EVER! It's always a bitter sweet time for me when I say "Good bye" to our last team. I love to have family teams. It's terrific to see parents gleam with pride as their youngsters take leadership roles on the mission trip! And it's fantastic to work with Ashley and Penelope every day!

We've had great results this Summer with over thirty children and adults receiving Jesus Christ as their personal savior! This includes several Muslim children from Bangladesh! It's always amazing to me so see these kids answer Bible questions and then pray out loud with the other children to ask Jesus into their hearts! Fantastic!

It was also a sad day for me. After cleaning up the Fellowship Hall where we have our briefings for the teams each morning, I drove through one of the apartment complexes where we have work: Shallowford Gardens. We knew that this complex would be torn down to make way for a new elementary school. Because of that fact, we focused many teams there. It's hard to know where those families will end up. We wanted to make sure that they heard the Gospel! I drove through that complex this afternoon and was aghast to see the results of a massive fire. A quarter of the entire property was completely destroyed! I thought about those families who were destined to move and how all of their possessions had gone up in flames.

This is my twenty first year to do ministry in this area. I have seen hundreds of children come through my mission, grow up and leave. There always has to be a sense of urgency to what we do. We never know how long the family will be there, if the owner will change and throw out our ministry or if some disaster might overtake them. I've seen it happen many times.

This month, it was time to get our liability insurance for the missions. We were shocked to be told that it would cost over \$11,000 a year. That is a massive amount. I told the manager where we worked that there was no way that we could afford that. They told us that their corporation gave us a "hard no" if you don't have liability insurance you could not stay. Of course I was devastated by that! As I walked through the complex and thought of the hundreds of families that I've worked with there, my eyes filled with tears. Could our ministry really stop at Azalea? A place that I've had ministry in for one third of my life? Of course I knew it could.

We are looking into other options for insurance and feel confident that we can find something that we can afford, at least we hope so. Please, give generously. Every dollar you give goes to keep Ashley and I on the field! SO MANY people depend on us and we depend on YOU!

***LOVE, TIM AND KATHY***



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