



THE FIELD IS THE WORLD



The Skinner Family Prayer Letter

All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God. (2 Corinthians 4:15)

Dear Family and Friends:

At this season of Thanksgiving, all of us—Mike, Cindy, Emily and Luke—want you to know how very thankful that we are for you. Knowing that you are invested in us gives us determination and eager anticipation of one day sharing the results of our partnership together before the Lord.

We sincerely believe that it is because of people like you that God continues to bless and preserve our nation. People who not only believe, but obey the truth.

With all of that in mind, we would like to try to explain how God has been at work in our ministry this year and how you can celebrate with us and help us.

Mary provides a great example. In 2007, she was a woman in a precarious situation. As an African living in Japan on a work visa, she was living with an African man who was married to another woman back in Nigeria. He was living there illegally and helping others do the same.

Unhappy with this life, Mary began looking for hope online. She came across our Jesus2020.com website and indicated that she had not yet prayed to receive Christ but wanted more information.

She started getting help right away, receiving our 30-Day-Next-Steps daily series of e-mail messages. She was connected with an Online Missionary who gave her reasons to believe. And she got connected with Mike in the weekly Bible study on Sunday evenings.

In one of the sessions, the lesson was from Matthew 13, a stern warning that ends with “weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

After this lesson, Mary wrote back:

Believing is accepting without question or doubt. To be certain. To feel him in your life. How does that happen/come about? By grace? God given? Personal effort? or..... Its strange. I have no doubt that God exists. How come i don't get this 100% certainty about Jesus Christ?

More conversations followed, and suddenly Mary visited my Thursday afternoon chat session to let me know she was ready. *I was so surprised, because it was 3:00AM for her in Japan!* She had broken up with the married man and kicked him out



of her home. She assured me after I led her in the sinner's prayer that there was no turning back. I helped her find a church, Calvary Chapel Yamoto, in her own city, and she's been attending there since then.

Earlier this year, Mary reported that in going door-to-door to share her faith, she encountered members of another church. This church had no pastor and very little understanding of the Bible. They asked Mary to come and teach them at times.

And last month, Mary graduated from our Online Missionary training. This month, she even signed up to host chat sessions herself! Mary has come full circle!

As a committed follower of Christ, Mary is in an extremely strategic position. **Japan is a 10/40 window country.** Though blessed with great material wealth, it is impoverished in its knowledge of God. The native Japanese people are among the least-reached people of the world, with fewer than 2% evangelical Christian. Yet Mary is there legally, with a good job and income.



Thank God for... Mary

Love, in Christ

Mike
Mike & Cindy

Cindy

“One day closer!” (Romans 13:11)

You helped us win Mary, build her in her faith, connect her to a local Christian movement, and send her out to win others. In a nutshell, that's what our ministry is all about!

As we move into 2012, we have discovered that we need to raise an additional \$7300 of funding annually. May I ask you to specifically pray about giving a special gift of \$300, \$200 or \$100? Thank you for considering this.

Use the enclosed commitment card and envelope to send in your gift. If you prefer giving on the web, go to <http://give.ccci.org/give/0543730>. If by check, please make it payable to “Campus Crusade for Christ.”

Whatever you decide, our deep appreciation for you is unwavering. We are so grateful to the Lord for you.



Mike, Cindy,
Emily and Luke Skinner



Serving with
Global Media Outreach



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So what exactly does Mike do at GMO?

Africa English Online Ministry Coordination

Mike serves 430 Online Missionaries in 49 communities as coordinator of our English Africa response branch. Volunteers from countries like Cameroon, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa, Uganda and Zimbabwe help to follow up with

visitors from our evangelistic sites, just as Americans do. Leaders work hard to spread the word about GMO in conferences, local churches and college campuses in their countries.



Applications

Mike serves alongside 10 others in a specialized team that reviews and approves volunteer applications from the USA and all over the world. Each application contains the volunteer's spiritual references, local church, personal testimony, current ministry involvement and their way of presenting the gospel.

Difficult Theological Questions Specialty Community

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Date	From	Subject	Discipleship			
Nov 9, 2012	Xiomara Sanchez	Re: praying to God daily... and no understanding	33%			
Nov 9, 2012	Brady Simons	Re: how would I stop alcoholism?	33%			
Nov 10, 2012	Werner	godlife.com: How can I can grow faith in Christ?	100%			
Nov 10, 2012	Esperanza	Now I have been knew God's plan for his people.	100%			
Nov 11, 2012	Goodluck Newman	Re: godlife.com: I trust the Lord with all my heart and I pray and fas	100%			
Nov 11, 2012	Agyaie	RE: Kingdom of God to come on earth	0%			
Nov 12, 2012	Kanga	jesus2020.godlife.com: Dream	0%			

Specialty communities offer a way for Online Missionaries with special training and interests to support the rest of our ministry. We have communities which specialize in helping visitors with serious illness, long-term disabilities, homosexuality, abortion, marriage and family issues, sex and pornography issues, spiritual warfare concerns, substance abuse problems, suicide, violence against women, Hinduism, Islam and the two general "theologically difficult questions" groups that Mike and his friend Dave lead.

Online Missionary Training

Every six weeks, Mike takes 5-20 new volunteer applicants through training as Online Missionaries. During these weeks, Mike reviews their answers to our evangelistic contacts and provides guidance and feedback on their progress.

"Live Chat" Ministry/Training

[Chat With Us!](#)

One of the most exciting efforts in which Mike is currently involved is the "Live Chat" outreach. Visitors from all over the world can simply click "Chat With Us!" to type lines back and forth interactively with Mike or one of the dozens of other Online Missionaries he's working with to test and train in this outreach. This is a ministry in which we often see God work to change hearts before our eyes as we pray and share Christ with visitors. Please pray for us as we try out new ways of using this ministry and work to urge visitors to follow Christ.