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Awana Missionaries to Central/Western Kansas and NW Oklahoma

Winter 2006 Ministry Update

It has been a busy 2006 so far as we are in the midst of our Awana event season. The first two Bible Quizzes of the year were held on February 4 (Derby) and February 11 (Salina). Both of these events went very well with a total of 176 T&T clubbers participating representing 19 churches. The Western KS Bible Quiz/AwanaGames™ took place on March 4 in Cimarron and was also well attended and the kids who participated had a great time. The Central Kansas AwanaGames™ will take place on April 1 in Valley Center, KS. We are praying that more churches will get involved in events this year and in the future. This is such a great outreach opportunity to reach unsaved family members of the clubbers with the gospel. We are also developing plans to offer a leadership conference in Western KS in mid September in addition to the leadership conference offered in Central KS each fall.

We have recently updated our website to better serve clubs in our territory. We encourage you to visit our website at www.wksawana.org. We have posted our newsletters on the "Resource Page" for people to view along with a lot of other useful information.

Praises

- God has blessed us with an incredible increase of financial support the past three months. We have gone from 65% to 77% of our needed support level! We are still about \$1600 short per month so please continue to pray that more churches and individuals will be led to partner with us financially. We have been able to reduce our ministry account deficit from (\$4400) to \$4242, as of February 28. We just praise God for what he is doing in the area of our financial support.
- We have also been blessed by the addition of four new couples that have recently joined our ministry team. At least two other couples are praying about serving on our team as well. We are praying that God will provide 15 to 20 more couples. We need help with strengthening the existing 119 Awana clubs in our territory, conducting training, doing presentations to new churches, helping with Rorheim seminars, etc.
- Eight new churches have started Awana in the '05-06 year and there are six more either considering or planning to start in 2006 (what a praise!).

Please Pray for.....

- The upcoming AwanaGames™ and Sparks-a-Rama event in Valley Center on April 1. Pray for the volunteers, kids' preparation, the gospel message that will be presented and that many unsaved parents and kids will be in attendance.
- More volunteers for our ministry team to help us with the many demands in serving Awana clubs across our territory.
- The churches that are currently considering using Awana to reach boys and girls for Christ. That His will be done in their decision-making process.
- Safety as we travel across our territory visiting clubs, attending events, etc. Also, Kris and the kids will be traveling back to Ohio to visit family over spring break next week. Please pray for their safety there and back.
- The Lord's wisdom as we continue the process of changing the structure of our ministry to better serve existing clubs, increase outreach opportunities through events and grow the number of churches using the Awana program to reach children and youth for Christ.
- The churches that are currently considering partnering with us financially and that God will raise up more churches and individuals that will support us regularly.

Special Financial Needs

- A large expense of our ministry is printer and copier toner. We typically need to replace our color printer toner two times a year at a cost of about \$400 each time.
- We are in need of funds that can go toward a new copy machine for our ministry.

We pray that God continues to bless your Awana ministry where you serve and that He will increase the opportunities to reach more individuals and families for the Christ. Again, we are so thankful for your prayers and financial support of our ministry. God is doing wonderful things in our territory!

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