"I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus."

— Philippians 3:14

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My dear partners and friends,

As the world celebrated amazing athletes and hard-earned gold medals during the Olympics, I was thinking about our spiritual race to complete the Great Commission.

We all run a different race, designed by Our Master Coach, suited to the unique gifts he has given each of us. Some are relay races, where we run our part with every fiber of our being, before we pass the baton to our fellow runners.

My last stationery as <u>Associate National Director Student Venture</u> was too precious to waste, and reminded me of the need to celebrate the victory of this race, as I continue God's Olympic training for the next season of life and ministry. (note: e-mail version not on Student Venture stationery)

Student Venture will always be a part of me, as I continue to impact the next generation. It's been an amazing training ground for all the Lord has ahead as I transition to my role as Global Ambassador for Campus Crusade.

What a privilege to represent Jesus Our King and the movement of CCC around the world, as I broaden my scope of influence beyond Student Venture. Any skilled Ambassador must be thoroughly acquainted with whom they are representing . . . and groomed to understand proper protocol!

Coach Apostle Paul has been an amazing trainer for me: "Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training..." 1 Cor. 9:24b-25a.

I learned from the example of the USA women's beach volleyball team, who won an intense final match against the Chinese. Kerri Walsh and Misty May were a dynamic team. They shared their coach's words of focus: "Remember the 3 B's: <u>Battle -- Believe -- Breathe</u>." Wow! Isn't this our secret as well in living--to get a crown that will last forever? We must <u>recognize</u> the <u>spiritual battle</u>, <u>believe Jesus</u> for the victory, and <u>spiritually breathe</u> to keep in step with the Holy Spirit.

After returning from my mission project, "Back to Jerusalem," I've had the joy of seeing and sharing with friends, family and churches about incredible battles and victories being won by God's Olympians around the world, as people from 14 countries participated to take the gospel back to Jerusalem, and were commissioned on the Mount of Olives.

A picture is worth a thousand words, so here are a few highlights. Hopefully, this year I will personally visit and share more with those who could not attend my summer presentations. If you'd like a copy of my new speaking brochure, let me know, and soon my new website will be up!



Prayer walking Jerusalem, the City of Our Great King, before the conference began, led to many divine appointments!



After speaking at an Arab church in Haifa on "One New Man" (Eph. 2). An Arab boy received Jesus with me, and I introduced him to a young Jewish believer to help him grow.



Richard Frieden, a Jewish follower of Yeshua (left), Anthony, a young disciple, and me. Richard and I coled a training on "Reaching Youth."



I had the privilege of taping five Arabic programs on Middle East radio to penetrate the darkness with the light of Jesus!

The Lord answered so many prayers and performed many miracles. It's clear to me that his heart is to create "one new man" in Christ Jesus, as he calls out His Beloved Bride in this end-time. "For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile, the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on the name of Lord will be saved." Rom. 10:12-13

Beloved, He loves and cherishes you. No matter what challenge or transition you are facing, "He is with you and will never leave you." He is a COVENANT-KEEPING KING!!!

Many of you have prayed for my precious Dad, who suffered a stroke in May. I was blessed to be able to help him this summer. We saw some major victories, but he continues to need prayer for full recovery.

Thank you so much, dear friend. Much Love and anticipation of Our King.



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