

Personal Note

Dear Family and Friends of the Body of Christ,

Hello again from Texas!

As you may remember from my last personal note God has been doing a lot in my life and is teaching me things daily.

Recently, I have been learning and embracing James 1:2-4. It reads, "Consider it pure joy my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything." Whenever during a difficult time in my life I am encourage by James 1. Knowing that the circumstances of the natural do not compare to the building of character in my life in the spiritual, which will last for Eternity while circumstances and not giving into them lasts for a short time.

Secondly, a song by Christian Contemporary Artist Michael W. Smith is teaching me more about love from God's perspective. Michael W. Smith sings the phrase "Love, isn't love, until you give it away." I came to understand what the heart of the phrase means, willing the highest good for the other person even if it means letting go and maybe not seeing them for a long time.

There are people on this mobile team whom I love dearly and others I care about as a brother or sister, but God calls them to leave the team or YWAM-Tyler. When they do leave I cannot spend time with them as before and that hurts. It would be very selfish of me to hold on or try to take control, but letting them go is the best if I really do love others. Therefore, I take great comfort, assurance and joy in knowing that He is taking care of them. Overall God's perspective is always wisest and the best and my own ideas, selfishness, pride, or focusing on circumstance in difficult times is foolishness compared to God's plan and provision.

Finally, I would ask that each of you to pray for more people to join The PHOS Team. Currently, our numbers are nine, down from 14 in February. The team can continue to operate if God wants at nine people, but more responsibilities will be shifted to us because of fewer people. Also, our largest drama requires at least eight people and if two people that I know of currently on the team, who are praying about leaving in a year we will not be able to do that drama.

Therefore, **we need people to pray** for people currently in YWAM training schools to get a heart for college campus ministries, be open to God's calling to join the team, and that they will not focus on circumstances or anything that would try to convince them not to go into missions. There are currently two training schools that will be going through debriefing after coming back from their outreaches a week before Sunday, August 20th and Sunday, November 19th and finish on those two dates. Pray also for strength and knowledge for Deonn the team leader when she talks to those who are interested in joining the team.

Thank you for your time and please keep me in your prayers and write. Take care and God Bless.

Your Brother in Christ,

David



The Frontier

May, June, July, Aug.
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Pictured here with Chris in Jerome, Idaho holding up my copy of Oswald Chamber's, "My Utmost For His Highest." It was that morning I discovered the text concerning Chris' question and meaning to the phrase, "Take no thought for your life." (See story below)

"Spring Tour"

Hello, all! As some of you may know I have been serving with a mobile evangelization team since January of '94, called the **PHOS Team** (**PHOS - the Greek word for "Light"**) based out of Tyler, Texas with Youth With A Mission. We minister on universities in North America through dramas and teachings to encourage others to love God, serve Him, and make Him known. During the month of May we went to Nevada, Southern California, Idaho, and Colorado.

Since most colleges and universities were either out for summer break or in the midst of preparing for final exams our team did church ministry, youth services, college Sunday School groups and even went to Mexico and worked on a youth center (see pictures on back sheet).

"Chris"

It was during our stay in Jerome, Idaho that I met Chris, who was 20 years old and about to start college. At the end of a Friday night youth service, I noticed Chris and asked if he would like me to pray for him. He agreed and afterwards asked me about a phrase he heard on a tape cassette. The phrase was, "Take no thought for your life..." It sounded odd, but Chris was very interested in knowing the meaning of that phrase. To me, it did not mean much, but I prayed for Chris that either God would provide an answer to this question or get rid of that phrase, which I thought would happen. But, that did not occur.

On the following Sunday morning while reading Oswald Chambers', "My Utmost For His Highest," there was that odd phrase, "Take no thought for your life..." The devotional said for us not to be, "anxious over the means of living." Yes, God will hold us responsible for what we eat, drink, wear, and our earthly affairs, but our "great care of life is to put the relationship to God first and everything else second." I believe God had given me the answer to Chris' question through the devotional. Later that day, I lent my copy of the devotional to Chris and he was thankful (see picture above). It was humbling to see that God could use a phrase like that and me as well.

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"Adventure Behind A Desk"

This summer, instead of going to another country or being mobile like the rest of the year, I worked in the office of the Summer School of Training(SST) missions program for high school students by answering the phone, taking messages, running errands, and relieving some of the logistical responsibilities of the full-time staff that work in this office year-round.

For about twelve days in July I managed the SST office so the main SST leader could lead an SST Phase II (an advanced SST program) outreach to Atlanta to clean the warehouse that will house hundreds of short-term missionaries for the 1996 Summer Olympics and get excited for the huge **Olympic Outreach** next summer. Next year, these students will be given responsibilities like working security, hospitality, canteens for the Salvation Army where they will be serving officials and delegates, and other areas for the 1996 Summer Olympics. ****If you would like to get involved with the **Olympics**, please see the brochure enclosed.

"Fall Tour and Beyond"

Aug. 29 - Sept. 6 PHOS Team ministry preparation for Fall Tour	Oct. 24 - 31 Philadelphia, PA
Sept. 7 - 13 Staff-In-Training & Staff Conference	Nov. 1 - 7 Washington, D.C.
Sept. 14 - 22 Mobile Team Retreat Traveling to Atlanta & get excited for next year's huge Olympic Outreach	Nov. 8 - 21 Richmond, VA
Sept. 23 - 28 Springfield, MO	Nov. 23 - 30 Raleigh, NC
Sept. 28 - Oct. 3 Cleveland, OH	Dec. 1 - 5 McGehee, AR
Oct. 3 - 7 Boston, MA	Dec. 6 Return to Tyler & Prepare for Mobile Team Debriefing(12/10)
Oct. 7 - 13 tent.	Dec. 11 - Jan. 2 Christmas Break!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
Oct. 13 - 19 West Port, CT	Jan. 3, 1996 Return to Tyler, Prepare for Winter Tour & The Olympics!!!!!!!!!!!!
Oct. 19 - 24 tent.	

Prayer Requests:

- Develop a deeper loving relationship with Christ.
- Die to self(ishness) & be a servant to others expecting nothing in return
- More people would join team in Aug.(currently at 9, down from 14 in Feb.)
- More people be part of this ministry through prayer and sponsorship
- Have monthly sponsorship raised to \$800 (currently at 73% of budget)

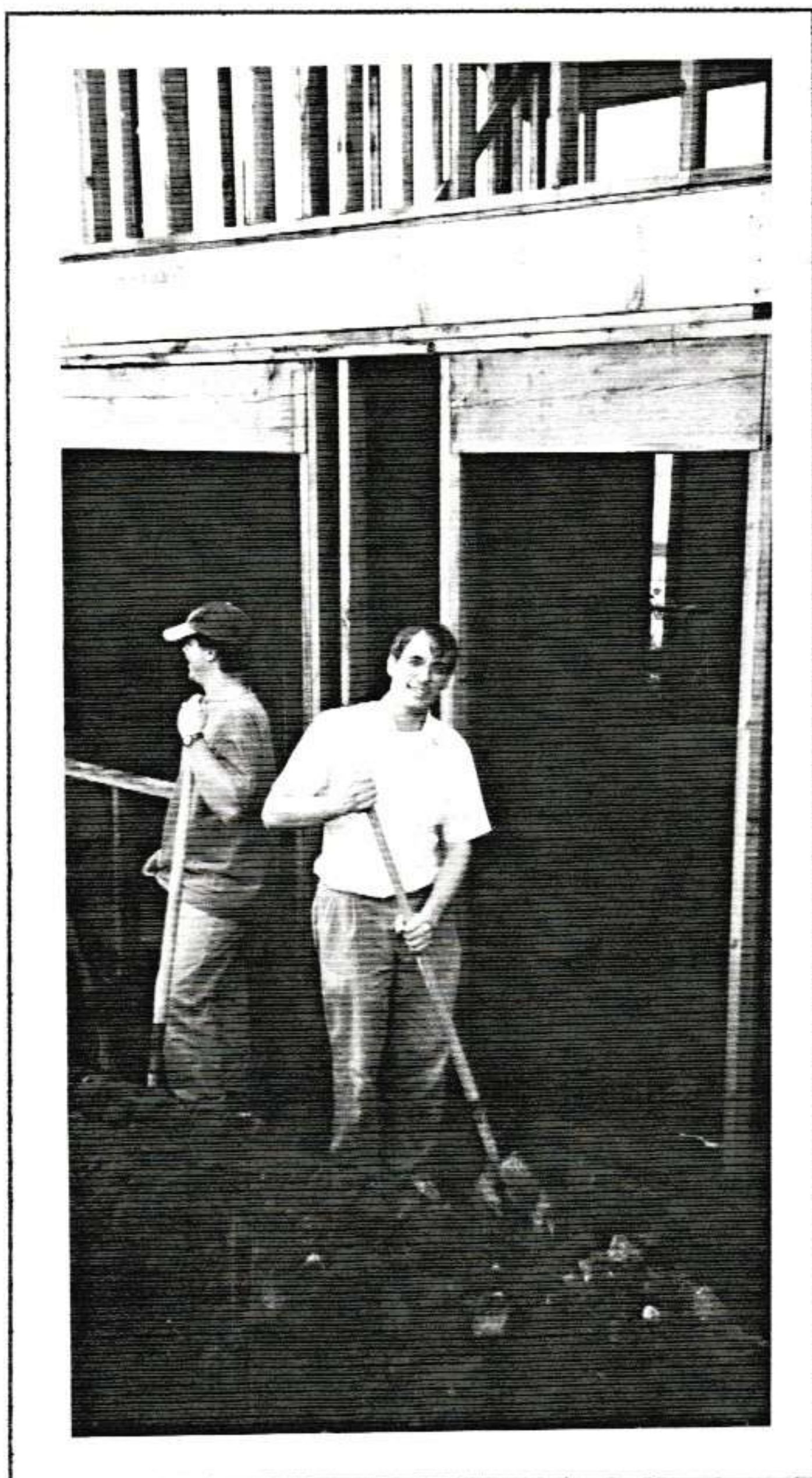
*If you have CompuServe, my address is: 74504,1111.

**Or, if you would like to write me, please send letters to P.O. Box 4600 Tyler, TX 75712. When we are on the road the people in Tyler will then send the team's mail to me every week or two.

***If you would like to sponsor me either monthly or one time, please make out your tax-deductible contribution payable to Youth With A Mission(YWAM) and do not put my name anywhere on the check. Thank you.

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Praying for Chris in Jerome, Idaho. It was here after I prayed for Chris, he asked me about the phrase, "Take no thought for your life..." (see front page for story)



Here I am in Tecate, Mexico (just south of California) working on digging dirt away from the youth center, to prevent water and mud from washing into the foundation when it rains.



Pictured above "holding down the fort," while the school director is leading an outreach to Atlanta of young people to prepare them for next year's Summer Olympic Outreach in Atlanta.



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Jan., Feb., Mar., April
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D. Kappeler pictured here giving his testimony to a Sunday School Youth group at First Church of God in Dallas, Texas, about how he became a missionary.

"Winter Tour"

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While in South Dakota, the team ministered to the InterVarsity Christian Fellowship Chapters at Univ. of South Dakota School of Mines and Technology in Rapid City and Black Hills State Univ. in Spearfish. At the Univ. of Wyoming in Laramie the team stayed with student leaders from Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Chi Alpha, and InterVarsity Christian Fellowship and ministered as well to the Wesleyan Campus Ministries and Baptist Student Union.

"Joash"

After our Winter Tour, the team traveled to Dallas, Longview, Austin, San Antonio, and Houston, Texas from February until April to promote YWAM, Tyler's annual music and missions festival called Jesus Go-Fest. During this time our team ministered mostly at youth services. While we were in Austin, a young man named Joash, who was 14, came forward for prayer. He asked prayer for his parents who got into arguments and took it out on his younger brothers and sisters.

I prayed for Joash that he would seek wisdom and be bold for God, encourage his brothers and sisters, and that his parents would come to the realization of what they were doing to their children. Then, I remembered reading the Books of Daniel and Esther a few days earlier and encouraged Joash to read them because they, as individuals, overcame entire kingdoms with God's help.

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"The Olympic Adventure"

It's Official! Youth With A Mission (YWAM) is now a sanctioned organization of the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta. I will be participating as one of 400 people to help network over 5,000 volunteers from 100 nations in the largest gathering of missionaries in the History of The Church.

The Olympic Outreach takes place July 15 - August 4, 1996 where YWAM will serve Atlanta through street evangelism, Bible studies, community service, projects, sports clinics, translation services, visitor's assistance programs and Christian Olympic Village. For more information about the Outreach please see the brochure enclosed.

"Spring Tour and Beyond"

April 27 - May 3 Pahrump, Nevada (near Las Vegas)
May 4 - 17 Lancaster, California
May 18 - 25 Gooding, Idaho
May 26 - 28 Cripple Creek, Colorado
May 29 Return to Tyler, Texas
May 30 - June 3 Break before Summer School of Training (SSTs)
June 4 - Aug. 19 I'll be an administrator with SSTs, a three week program for youth where they are trained and go to Mexico to do ministry for a week.
Aug. 20 - 28 Vacation!!!!
Aug. 29 - Sept. 6 PHOS Team prepares for Fall Tour

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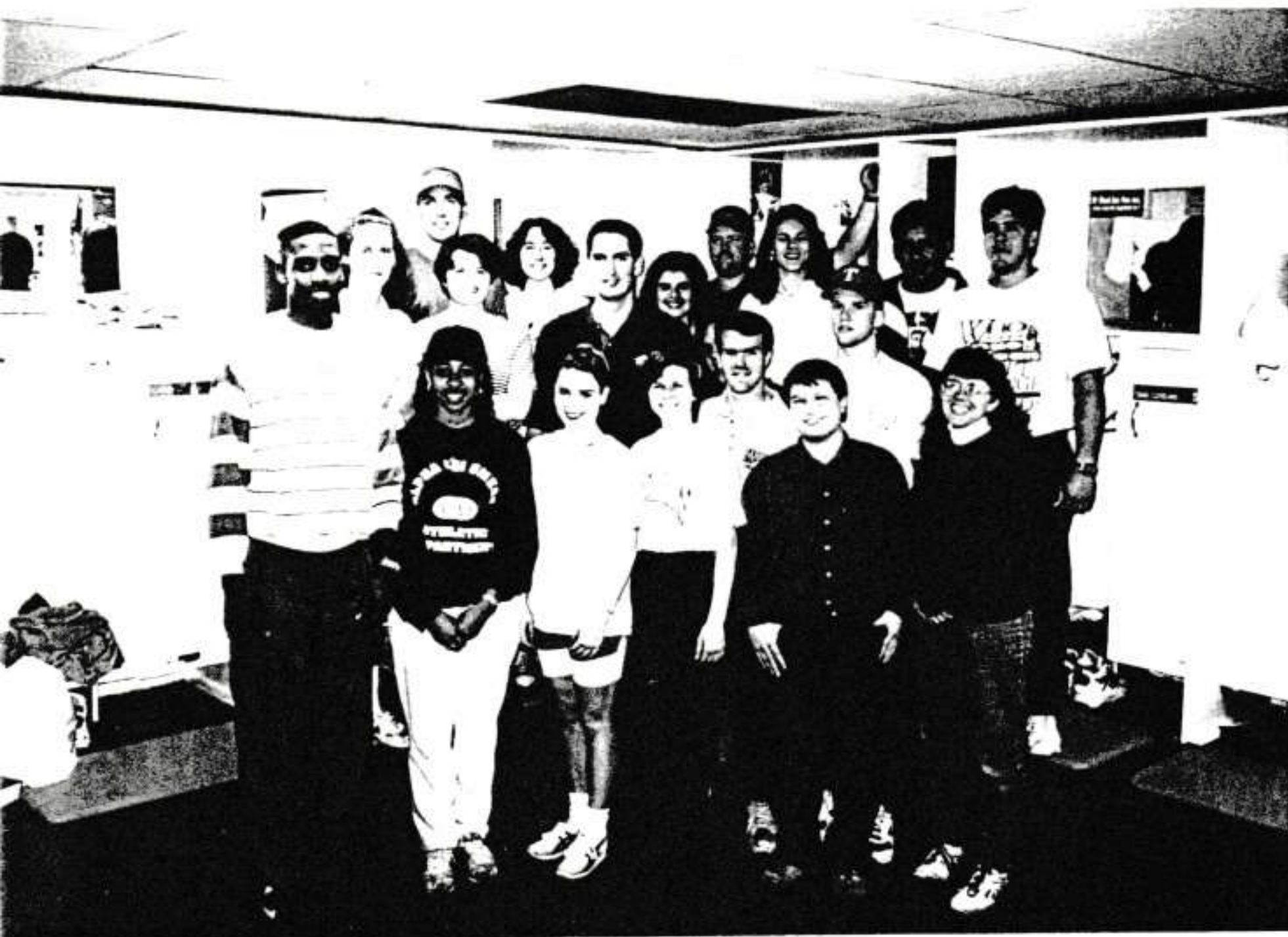
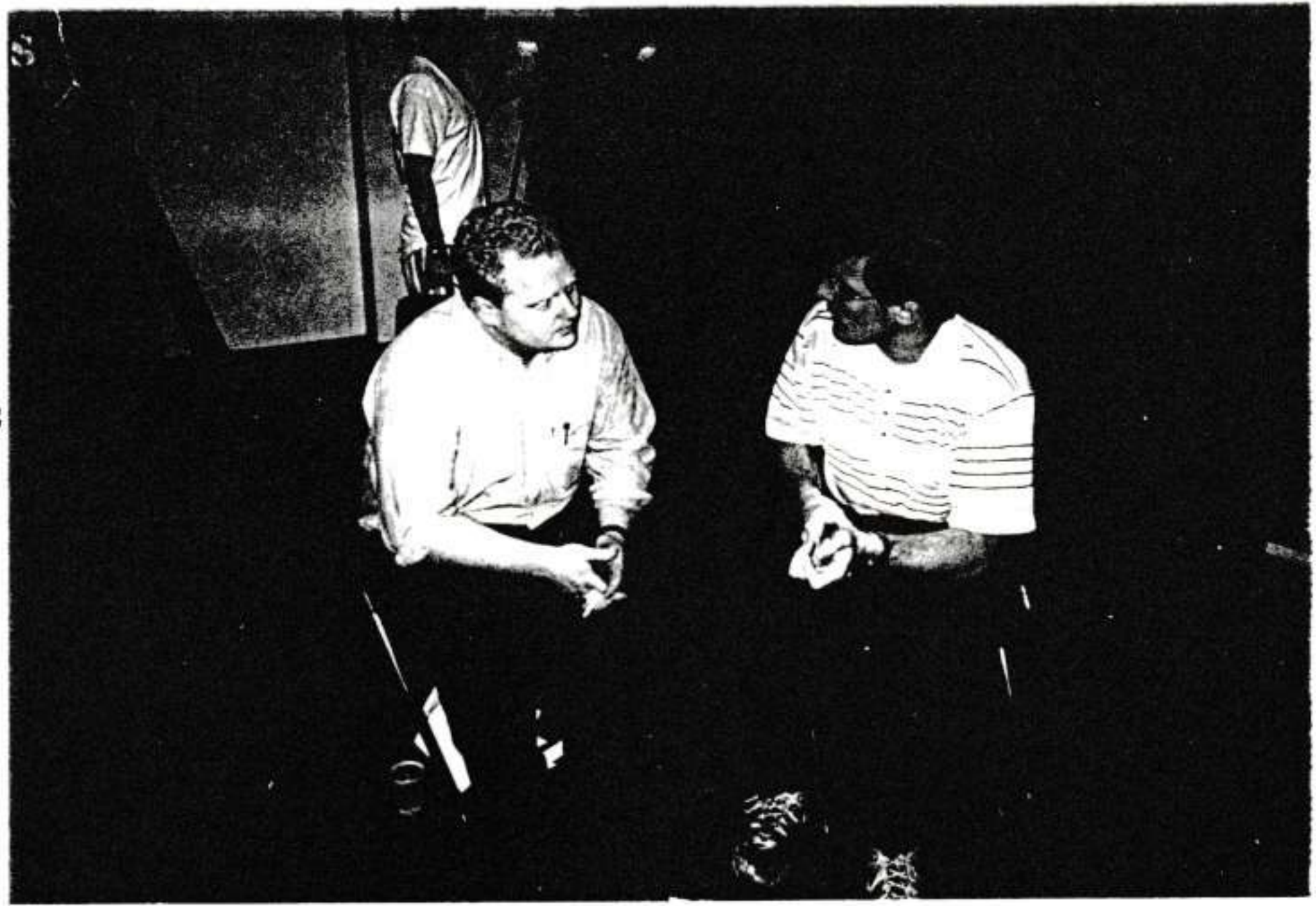
- Develop a loving relationship with Christ.
- Die to self(ishness)
- Selected to serve on the leadership council, God to give me grace, wisdom and guidance to help the team
- The strength and courage to release teammates when they leave
- Overcome fear and anxiety when dealing with youth
- More people would come to know and be part of this ministry through prayer and sponsorship
- Have monthly sponsorship, currently at 87%, raised to 100% (688)

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Here I am talking to Eddie at Christian Life Center in Austin, Texas about missions and how to get involved. I told him the first thing he needs to do is pray.



The PHOS Team pictured here with Fellowship of Christian Athletes at Houston Baptist College in Houston, Texas.

Talking to Houston after doing a youth group meeting at Christ Episcopal Church in San Antonio, Texas. Answering the question: "Why should I believe in something I can't see?"

