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Pictured with (l to r): Brady, Katie, Ms. Debbie, Kristi, & I. We all finished our training schools together and joined Youth With a Mission in 1994!



“Serving 20 years with Youth With a Mission-Tyler staff and counting!”

Pictured right with the PHOS Team! We went and ministered on college campus in North America from 1994-96. (l to r back row): Brady, Vern, Matthew, Terry, & I. (l to r front row): Deonn, Erika, Kristi, Sara, Bethany, & Susan. We all did our training schools together in 1993 and joined Youth With a Mission in 1994! They all are my dear friends and brothers and sisters that I did not have.



Brady: “Looking back over twenty years of serving our Lord Jesus Christ through Youth With A Mission, the most amazing missions organization I know, can be hard to sum up in a few words. How can I possibly express

the experiences that have established the empirical knowledge that Jesus is Lord and there is no one like Him in the universe? Do I share about the blessings of traveling this amazing world, discovering wonderful people and cultures, getting to share the truth and hope of the Gospel? Do I talk about working with the most amazing people who love Jesus so passionately that they are willing to lay aside everything for the pursuit of intimately knowing the Father and making Him known to the nations? Do I confess the struggles of trust and faith that God has consistently overcome through His gentleness, patience and faithfulness to me, revealing Himself to be worthy of my everything? What have I learned... that God really is who He says He is, and that if we will put our trust and faith in Him, He will lead us to places beyond our imagination and will walk with us in unfathomable depths of intimate fellowship. All we must do is trust and obey.”



Katie: “I have learned that God is faithful in all circumstances. He is faithful to provide both material things as well as opportunities. He is faithful to restore people to Himself, faithful to restore friendships & families and faithful to restore lost callings. In my years of serving in YWAM I can recount many stories of God's faithfulness, yet I have absolutely NO stories of God's UNfaithfulness. It is simply not part of His character. It is an adventure to serve Him, not because of international travel (as I have not traveled for some time), but because with the Lord we never know what He is going to do and there is a sense of anticipation with Him.”



Ms. Debbie: “When I first came to YWAM, I knew I wanted to be in missions full time. Twenty years later, I look back and think "WOW, this has been an amazing journey." Being able to travel to different countries and share the gospel, having people from different countries come here to be trained, and working with all age groups has been a dream come true. Jesus tells us in Matthew 28: 19 to go into all the world and make disciples. To make a disciple, you work with them daily, sometimes live in the same house or dorm, eat meals with them, and have fun. I have managed the kitchen for 20 years and have had the opportunity to disciple some amazing people. Yes there have been some really hard times and some really easy times. In all circumstances, you have to depend on God. I have learned to practice the presence of God at all times and in all circumstances. I look forward to the future and what God has next for me.”



Kristi: “For the last 20 years I, Kristi Cox, have been in ministry, whether it is full-time missions, youth ministry, women’s ministry, Bible study, or one on one discipleship. Oh, and let’s not forget a full-time wife and mom of three wonderful children whom I love with all my heart. The thing that I think God keeps speaking over and over to me is that I would see them, whomever I come in contact with, through His eyes. All people are created in His image and He loves them and desires a relationship with them. So how can I demonstrate God to them through my life? Do I look at them through religious, judgmental eyes or through the eyes of Christ? I pray that I am an example of Christ to all who see me. There is always a lot to learn, may I learn it well!”



“What can I say about the past 20 years of my life except that it is the best decision of my life thankfully, to follow God’s direction! One of the greatest gifts that God gave to me in coming to Youth With a Mission was the brothers and sisters I did not have growing up, but met and did training schools with in 1993! They are all still dear to my heart even though time has passed and I have not heard from some in several years. Lately though, times have been challenging as all of these dear friends have moved away or started a family and hence not able to spend a lot of quality time with them. Thankfully, God has brought a few new guys into my life over the past several years including my friend James, who is doing cutting-edge, front-line work in Central Asia.

Last summer my experience with one of these dear old friends took an unexpected turn for the better. After meeting 10 years ago, I was able to meet Alex (pictured with me at left), who the son of my old friend Susan (see front page). He came to Tyler for YWAM’s Summer of Service and Training (SST). I saw God change this young man’s life and was grateful to be present on his outreach in Houston, Texas. The best is yet to come, as Alex will be coming back this summer for SST Phase 2!”

Personal Prayer Requests

- A sincere loving relationship with Jesus Christ
- Pray for more breakthrough in life for 2015
- Making connections with pastors in East Texas for James who does work in Central Asia

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Dear Family & Friends,

Greetings to you once again from Youth With a Mission-Tyler!

I am happy and grateful to report to you the success of last fall's outreach to Ohio! My friend James and I traveled over 6,000 miles, met with 22 pastors, did eleven chapel services where over 1700 students heard his incredible testimony, two church services, four youth group meetings, two Youth With a Mission-Akron gatherings, and met with thirteen friends. Overall, James and I had 54 appointments that spanned a 27 day trip. Meeting with pastors was great, however the best times were the chapel services.

The first chapel service was a group of over 200 young people in 6th-12th grade who seemed to respond well to James' PowerPoint testimony. After James shared I promoted opportunities for training and discipleship at Youth With a Mission-Tyler. I expected many to pick-up business cards for both Summer of Service and Training (SST), the missions training program for teens or information about Discipleship Training School (DTS) for those who have already graduated from high school. Two people came and asked for more information. One was a young man with down-syndrome who was a graduating senior. The other was a young girl who was an ecstatic junior and she wanted more information on SST and DTS. I gave her what she asked for and she turned around and skipped away. Even though only two people asked for information I was reminded from scripture that many are called but, few respond and that God is looking for quality, not quantity.

Over two weeks later, James and I were at a K-8 school and after James' testimony I shared with the 7th & 8th graders about Summer of Service and Training. The opportunity for questions was given and one young man asked, "Does it cost money?" I responded by saying yes, it does cost money. The principal said that they could raise money from their churches. Then I told them that if they were really in need it is possible for them to apply for a scholarship. After meeting with these young people, the principal told me that the young man who asked the question about the cost for SSTs has a brother with cancer and as a result, the family is having huge money problems. The principal said that she sees this young man has great potential to be a leader and wanted him to come for SSTs this summer.

Currently, James and I have visited and shared about Youth With a Mission-Tyler to 121 pastors and twenty-three chapel services where over 3300 students have been encouraged by God's work through James in Central Asia. I am excited as I look forward to more sharing of what God has done through James and the team in Central Asia in the weeks and months to come.

Sincerely, Dave