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Behind the Scenes On the Home Front

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Here is a little sketch of what has been happening with the ministry. Since January 2012 till this month September, Adria and I have ministered approximately 226 meetings (in 240 days) ranging from Kid's Clubs to Adult FIT Seminars (Families in Training—aren't we all!)

Weekly we ministered sometimes 6-8 times. On Thursday evenings we volunteer with Cornerstone ministries to teach "inner city" children.

During the school year we teach a local Bible Bowl program for Christian Schools in the area as well as chapels for two schools.



This summer as you can see by the pictures we concluded some 80 meetings involving several hundred children and local youth as well as Park Outreaches. For most of these meetings there was much preparation and set up time involved. Adria spends hours working on power point presentations to enhance the teaching for this visual generation. These are terrific tools to teach God's Truth and she even lets me use some! Ha!



We were able to send several hundred HWH Booklets to Haiti with Pastor Antoine Telus. At last we had the material in French thanks to Adria's typing and layout, Vincent's aid in translation and Walking Faith's help to overnight them to Florida. We pray for Pastor Antoine as he returns to Haiti to rebuild his demolished church both spiritually and physically.

We also were able to send Heartclub Materials to Uganda with Pastor Fred Kasule. We pray the Families there will begin engrafting the Word of God into their heart and souls. Uganda is English speaking.

In April we were blessed to visit our dear long time friends Mike and Patti Atkins in Wyoming. They were so gracious to host us and give us opportunity to share with their young and growing congregation. He has written an awesome musical play on the life of Jedidiah Smith, the original pioneer of that area. They plan to produce it as a tourist attraction just as soon as they erect a larger facility for their exploding children's ministry! What a joy and refreshing it was to see them once again after many years! It was at their former church of Atlanta, Georgia where the vision for the Hide the Word in Your Heart Club was birthed back in 1984! Wow! We love you Mike and Patti and pray for you. Thanks for everything.



In March we were approached by a local station in Houston that needed to air some Children's programs. Today we air on Channel 28! All the work we've given to update our old TV Shows is paying off. From analog to digital is a long ways and can be costly. What that means to us "old-timers" is—You've gotta put all your favorite VHS Video tapes into DVD if you want anyone else to view them.

We also launched a more "user friendly" web site with www.heartclub.com. There is a lot of new

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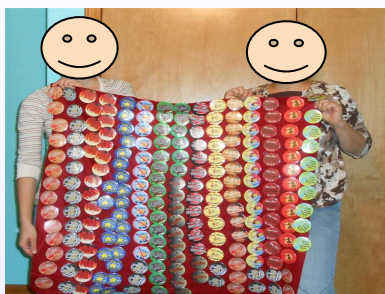
material posted and we are able to update it more frequently ourselves! We still maintain the **www.bibleabcs.tv** which carries some of our Bible Alphabet TV shows and also **www.bibleversions.us** a very informative site on the Authorized Version of the scriptures.

Eventually we hope to have our own internet TV site where you can access all of our TV shows new and old. More than 100! As well as our radio programs and Star Family music archives.

We are also working ever so slowly, but steady on gathering materials for our life story. I mean after all, how many people have been blessed to travel the globe for Jesus and to raise a dozen wonderful children?

There is a thriving Hide the Word In Your Heart Club in a closed country we just became aware of. A precious family of 12 has been busy at work making badges and ministering there for some time. We were just amazed to see the progress of the Gospel and Scripture Memory Clubs flourishing there in the country. They asked us not to disclose the details, just know the Word of God is not bound but on the loose!

We are having to re-think our method of awarding badges to many of these foreign countries as the cost and security of shipping the metal parts is becoming expensive and bulky. We have been discussing using "patches" like the Boy Scouts or even laminated cards to collect like baseball cards! If you have some ideas on this please share them with us.



Pictured: 100's of Badges that were awarded for scripture memory

We would love to share with you what is going on the home front with the children. Melody is at home going to college and working. She plays the guitar and is writing many new songs.

Mercy is now engaged to Duc and they plan to get married November 16, 2012. They are spending a lot of time working on all of the arrangements. WOW! We forgot how much there is

to do. It will be a beautiful wedding!

Due to extenuating circumstances John attended a local public school for a couple of weeks.....but then the Lord put it on the heart of a local pastor that John belongs at Lutheran High North and he agreed to sponsor him! Praise the Lord! He is now back at LHN! What a Miracle!

Speaking of Miracle, she is now in 7th Grade. She expressed a desire to play the bass guitar in the school jazz band. She was accepted, but there was one catch—no bass guitar or amp! God Bless Uncle Jimmy!

She now has a teal colored bass guitar and an amp, wires, case and all! She is a really "happy camper"!

We wish to thank all of you who have helped make this ministry possible. Without the faithful monthly support and the one time offerings that make up the slack these testimonies would not be possible. We know you by name and most importantly so does He!

We pray His blessings and benefits be upon you and yours in all you do and just know your generosity helps us to be able to help many children both locally and around the country and globe!

Thanks,

Stephen & Adria Star
President & Secretary
of Star Family Ministries

In the past few months we have heard from a few of our long time friends.

Theo from Denmark writes:

It must have been in 1991 or 1992 that Steve and Aaron made a trip to Europe and spend a week in Amsterdam. I met them in a bible shop next to Central Station and offered them a place to stay in my small apartment. As a recent convert I was much strengthened by the fellowship we had. We had a lot of fun together.

Now, about twenty years later I am a father of four children, and recently a brother gave me a small car, with an old cassette player in it. So I threw some old tapes in the car and one of them was the one of the Star family Singers.

My children love it and sing the songs along every time I bring them to school. It inspired all of us to be busy (again) with Scripture remembrance and with the Word of God.

So even twenty years later the blessing continues from your work in God thank you so very much.

I really wonder how Aaron is doing. He must be 27 now. And on the pictures on the web I see Steve has a crown of beauty of grey hair. (Sais the bold man...)

All the good and Gods rich blessing for you.

Theo from Amsterdam.

In Your presence is fullness of joy.
Psalm 16:11

Bob in Australia writes:

I have been interested in starting memory learning of the word with kids for some time, especially with our Kids Church. Do you have a branch in Australia?

I am planning on having kids learn the verses as listed with each badge, and present them with certificates when finished but how would I get badges etc to award them. The scripture memorisation would be an extra to regular Kids Church, not a separate Hide the Word in your heart Club. Could you give me an idea of what is in the starter pack?

By the way, I met you and some of your children at Pastor Dennis Balcombe's Church in Hong Kong I think in 1997 and am glad to see you are still going strong.

