



Holy Fire —Hot Air Rising

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There are a lot of preparations in setting up a hot air balloon but it is the fire that makes it rise. Apart from the fire, the balloon will never rise. You cannot enjoy the ride and you won't get the beautiful perspective at a different height without the fire. There are many things that we can do as Christians to try and advance God's Kingdom. Apart from intimacy with Jesus, the fire of the Holy Spirit will not rise in our lives. Apart from begging the Spirit for His fire, His breath, His leading we will have deflated times with Jesus, deflated families, deflated jobs and deflated ministries. Every time you want the balloon to continue at its height or rise you pull the trigger for the fire to inflate the balloon.

It should be the same in our lives. Begging for God's fire to keep us floating in the abundant life that Jesus has called us to. In Exodus 33:15 Moses said "If your presence will not go with me, do not bring us up from here." I feel that way and I hope you do to. If God is not in something we are doing we should not be doing it. Our balloons will soon deflate if His fire, His breath His presence is not in it.

This summer I was stationed in Xenia, the last place I would have chosen especially being on an international Sports organization like Athletes in Action! Yet His presence for me, His fire for me was serving on this campus, dabbling with our X-project students, Xenia Scouts baseball, Ropes

Course and many other groups. Through wrestling he gave me a grateful heart with a peace and patience that surpasses understanding. Last week I moved back into our Sportline Department and my prayer is the same a Moses'.

I AM THANKFUL FOR... During my Family

Reunion we implemented something I learned from AIA called Triple H's. They stand for a Highlight in your life, a Hero and a Hardship. As about five of my family members shared their H's Jesus became the center piece of our family reunion along with real vulnerability and getting to know people like we have not ever known before. The fire was there. His presence was there! The image of God in them was being made know and it was beautiful! Others wanted to share but it wasn't time.

- 95% A- in my first Dallas Theological Seminary Online Class. It created in me a thankful heart

that leads to prayer for all the saints and how they love Jesus and others well. *Philemon 4-7*

- My transition from Sports Complex back to Sportline

From the Top down left to right : Dad, Grandma, Mom, Tommy, Alysen, & Robyn

THANK YOU FOR
YOUR PRAYERS
and GIVING!



**"If you want to go fast
go alone, if you want to
go far go together! "**

Old African Proverb



What is Sportlinc?

Sportlinc is a Student led and volunteer catalytic branch of the College Campus Ministry of Athletes in Action.

Why is it needed?

Athletes in Action has Competing Sports Teams Missions Trips (such as the Xenia Scouts Baseball Team I worked with this summer), Clinic teams and Intense discipleship projects lasting from three to ten weeks that include around 800 athletes every summer. Many of those students go back to college campuses on fire for Jesus. Sportlinc exists for the students who go back to campuses with a passion and vision to reach their athletic department with the good news of our savior where no Athletes in Action staff exist. Sportlinc exists to help structure that fire to burn more effectively. Sportlinc encourages, equips and empowers the students to take what they learned in the summer and start a movement where the Holy Spirit is connecting lost people to Jesus, teaching them God's Word and sending them out to others in their athletic department to tell of Jesus power to give life. We do this weekly through: phone or Skype calls, connecting them to resources and making sure they are leading out of an intimacy with Jesus.

What do I do with Sportlinc?

- 1) Recruiting & Networking College Student-Athletes on Campuses (*this month I am busy on this stage*)
- 2) Life Coaching Students-Athletes Weekly to lead AIA on their Campus (*most of my time and joy goes here!*)
- 3) Connect Student-Athletes from the summer to other

Sportlinc Coaches for purpose of weekly mentoring

- 4) Organize and develop resources for our coaches and students
- 5) Video Editing with everyathlete.com and more 'techy' stuff.

Pray for... me and my team to have a Holy Fire for Jesus That our balloons will be filled! to give away to others!



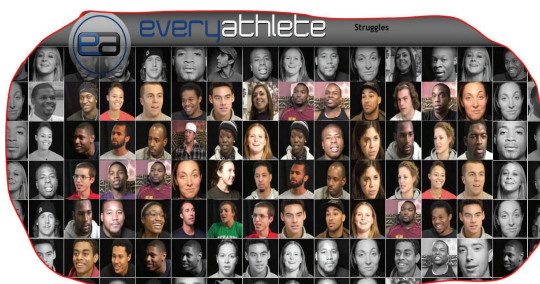
- New College campus Student Leaders with a passion to reach their teammates and campus for Jesus Christ. Jesus to connect us to the right people.

- Proper discernment of what the Holy Spirit is doing on campuses.

- Our coaches to have wisdom and humility as they pour in to the Sportlinc Reps on their campuses.
- Strongholds and Idols in Athletic Departments on Campuses to be exploded by the Love of Jesus Christ.
- Team Unity for my team and for teams working on campuses nation wide to work with others.
- Local Baseball Clinics her in Xenia, Sept 8th-Oct 20th bi-weekly. For life change and skill development

Jesus we ask for Holy Ghost bombs to be dropped on college campuses all across the nation and the world this very night, this month. Manifest yourself! We beg you for revival! For your fire to come, bring people to repentance and to new life. Let them dance in the knowledge of you as their first and only love. Please deeply touch all those who read this newsletter and those who deleted it as well. Meet the needs of your people. Thank you for the saints that are represented on this team who pray and give to me for your kingdom's advancing and for your glory. In Jesus name amen.

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