

# Africa Bound



Hello Family and loved ones!

Dan and I are both so excited to inform you that we have been accepted with Africa Inland Mission (AIM) for a short term missions assignment in Kenya! This will be our first overseas trip and our first missions experience together as a married couple. This might seem like an out of the blue news letter so let me give you background on why we are going and why we want you to be involved in this wonderful opportunity with us!

As most of you well know we have been in Spokane Washington attending Moody Bible Institute. Dan graduated in May of 2012 but I still had a little ways to go. After almost 5 years my home stretch has finally come and Dan and I are so excited to be nearing the

end of my schooling and a bachelors degree in missionary aviation technology (maintenance specialist). This is my final semester and I will be graduating at the end of June. At that time "traditional" school will be over and I get to go and apply everything I have learned in a real hanger, on real airplanes and on the mission field. This will be my final step in my bachelors degree.

I am required to do an internship for my schooling that has to meet a couple basic requirements. 1) it must be cross

## Ways to help!?

**Two big ways are prayer and finances!**

**Prayer by far is the most important and the most supportive things you can do to help Dan and I in ministry.**

**Finances are very important too!**

**Dan and I must raise all our support before we go and we can't do that with out you**

cultural 2) it has to be aviation related and 3) it has to be 8 weeks. Dan and I have been blessed to be able to fulfill this internship through AIM air.

Africa inland mission is an organization that ministers to 12 different countries in Africa in many different ways. The

committed to and are thrilled to get to be apart of this story and mission. We both have a passion for discipleship and know that this is rooted in a persons individual relationship with Jesus Christ. This is just one of the many reasons we are excited to serve with AIM.



Dan and I are hoping to be in Kenya from the beginning of July to the end of August. Our estimated travel dates are departing June 28 (The day right after the last day of school... Crazy!) and returning August 23. We are still in the

persons serving range from teachers to church planters to pilots and mechanics. The heart of Africa inland mission is to “see the worship of Jesus Christ spread across the continent of Africa – through individual lives fully committed to Him, and collectively through Christ-centered church communities.” AIMs mission is one that Dan and I can be fully

beginning process of planning so we don’t know everything that we will be doing in our assignment. However, we do know some of the basic ministry stuff we will be involved in.

I mainly will be in the hanger (surprise!) on the maintenance team working on aircraft. I will also have opportunity to minister in different settings outside of aviation but I am not completely

informed of what those are yet. Dan's assignment is a little more up in the air right now. The reason for this is simply that the internship is to meet my school requirements so my assignment needed to be figured out first. Dan has sent in his different ministry experiences and interests and AIM is going to their best to place him where the Lord can use his gifts and talents where they are most needed.

Dan and I are sincerely hoping and praying that this ministry experience will give us good direction as to how to proceed in our life of serving Jesus Christ. We both know that ministry is what we want to devote our lives to but we are unsure as to whether this will be overseas or in the states. I love overseas missions but this is Dan's first experience in a cross cultural missions setting. I think it could be a whirlwind for both of us. We are hoping that the Lord will use this in our lives to give us direction and peace about where to serve him best.

Thank you all for loving us and investing in our lives. We are so excited to get to share this big step with you. If you would like to receive an email update from us while we are in Kenya please email me at [superchick44@gmail.com](mailto:superchick44@gmail.com). We want all of you to be a part of what Jesus Christ is doing in our lives and in the lives of those in Kenya. God bless all of you! OFF TO AFRICA!!! ☺

### Prayer Requests

-Finances are a big deal. Dan and I need to raise 11,500 dollars. That's a lot of money for anyone especially today but our God is big! Pray that people will give.

-Traveling plans. Dan and I both need business visas to get into Kenya and a late visa could hold us up big time. Pray that our actual traveling process will go smoothly. As far as I know we will not be traveling with a group and unknown airports make me anxious. (I'm also afraid of flying... that is why I am not a pilot)

-Relationship with Christ. Pray that Dan and I will not drift in our relationship with God. From personal experience I know that when prepping for ministry your connection with the Lord can take a turn for the worst. Pray that the Lord will sustain both of us and we will continually be devoted to him and keep idols out of our hearts.

-Relationship with each other. Pray that we will grow together and closer during this time of planning and ministry and not apart. Pray for good open communication between the two of us. Pray that we will be a team and for the Lord to use us better together than he would if we were separate.

-Last but not least pray that we will trust God in all things and that we won't worry or be anxious. Pray that we will be diligent in coming before the Lord everyday and making our requests known to him.