

SHIN'S TAE KWON DO

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A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM GRAND MASTER SHIN

Now it is February and there are only 4 months left before the mission trip. We are remembering the first mission trip and the group that went in June of 2009. Many others cancelled their missions to Mexico last year because of the flu scare. Yet, we were determined not to let that stop us from our mission. That trip was the origin of the World Christian Tae Kwon Do Mission. Already, this year, we have 16 people who have committed to go, bought their plane tickets, and are actively involved in our mission meetings. One of our goals that resulted from the first mission trip was to support seminary students in Akil. We have been able to get pledges for the support of 6 seminary students. Even though everyone is experiencing financial difficulties this year, we have managed to continue this effort. The people who have made financial commitments to support the students are not wealthy people. They are all average people who are trying to make ends meet like most of us. They are not giving what is left over of what they have, but they are giving first to the work of God. That is an example of what sacrifice means. Even the Bible tells us (Gen.4:3-5) about the way that Cain and Abel approached God with their offerings. Abel gave the first and best of his flock, representing the sacrifice of blood. Cain gave God fruit from the ground, from among whatever he had, which was not a true sacrifice. God was not pleased with Cain's offering, but was greatly pleased with Abel's because it was the very best and most sincere offering. Another example is found in the commandment of God to Abraham to sacrifice his son, Isaac (Gen. 22:1-13). Although this was heartbreaking to Abraham, he did what God told him in complete submission. God understood this and saved Isaac's life at the last moment. When we experience hardship and yet we still give to God's work first, He understands our sacrifice. We act like we give so much to God, but really He gives us so much more. All our true blessings come from Him, not from us.

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More than anything else, God gives us life and forgiveness through His Son, Jesus Christ.

We plan to try our best for three months to raise money for the mission through fund-raising. But, we are not a big church like some of the TV evangelists. We are a small program, dedicated to do whatever we can through our hearts and resources to support God's work. Each member of our mission group is involved in helping us reach our goal to continue this support. We are trying to reach out to everyone we can to encourage fund-raising, mission meeting participation, and other types of active involvement. We seek to take God's message to everyone we can, whether they are here in our city, or our country, or in other lands. We ask that everyone who reads this pray for our mission work. Even though we are relatively small at the present time, we truly believe that we can make a difference in the lives of many. In some ways, this might just have an even bigger impact on changing lives to follow Christ than one of those larger church organizations. Still, we follow His direction and submit our lives to His will. Without complete submission, we would wander around like those who refused to listen to God in the past. He is looking for us to be close to Him in our hearts, more than material closeness. We must remember to always offer God our first and our best.

"But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added to you. – Matthew 6:33"

June 2010 Mexico Mission Trip

Right now, there are 16 people who have committed to go on the mission trip. Master Shin, Susie EngTow, Linda Ayers, Thuy Nguyen, Victor Scoggin, Karen, James, & Will Tidwell, Tristan Ho, Gen Dobbins, Adam James, Judy Anglin, Sharon & Tyler Morgan, Maria Chavez, and Daniel Trevino. It is never too late for you to decide to join us. The flight is direct to Cancun, from which we will travel into the Yucatan Peninsula to Merida and Akil. We would love to see more people have this great experience. Please pray about this and let us know if you want to go. Also, we have a lot of **fantastic** fund raising activities planned for the next few months.

WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION!

Would you like to help support a seminary student?

Thank you to all who have signed up for the student support pledge. You are not working for the students, but for God. Through your donations and promises to support the students at the Akil seminary school in Mexico, we are able to provide for the tuition, housing, and food for several students. This type of support is one of the goals of the World Christian Tae Kwon Do Mission. Mission director, Pastor Park, says that \$90 per month is what it takes to sponsor a divinity student.

If you would like to show your support of these students, please let Master Shin know. These dedicated young men and women will be taking the story of redemption through Jesus Christ to many people in their country. Your support is very important. Let us know if you want to get involved.



Akil seminary students and our mission group, June 2009.



MISSION MOMENT

www.WorldChristianTaeKwonDoMission.com

It is never too late to decide to go on the next mission trip in June 2010. If you plan to go, you will need a passport. Contact Karen Tidwell if you need any information about this. The next meetings will be held on Saturday, March 6th & 20th, at 8:00-9:00 AM. Prior to the mission trip, we will have 2 meetings a month. Everyone who wants to come is welcome! We will have reflections on scripture and talk about our future plans for the mission. We also have refreshments at the meeting. If you have any questions please contact Susie Eng Tow @294-1663 or 673-6318.

Jesus said to the disciples, "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many." — Mark 10:45

TAE KWON DO BACKGROUND

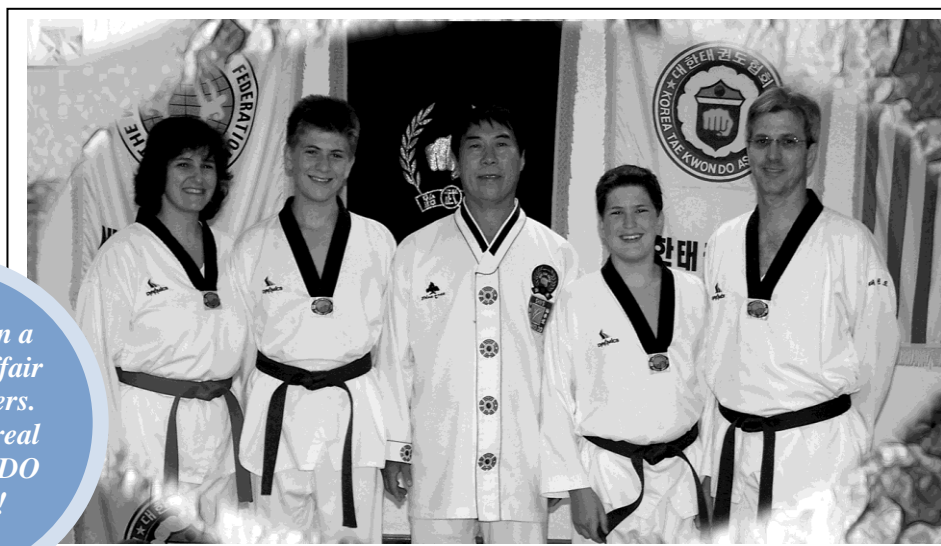
By Grand Master Shin

After 1945, Japan released Korea and several organizations started, too. For example, Moo Duk Kwan with the founder Hwang Kee, Chung Do Kwan with the founder Lee Won Guk, Jee Do Kwan with the founder Yoon Kwea Byung, Chang Moo Kwan with the founder Yoon Byung In, as well as the organizations of Song Moo Kwan and Yun Moo Kwan. The first three were the main organizations. My organization, Moo Duk Kwan with the founder Hwang Kee, began November 9, 1945. He started in a train station where he worked. He spent his youth in China where he worked. At that time, martial arts were still kept secret, not open to the public. Dangerous things were kept hidden due to a general feeling of mystery and seriousness. That story continued as a traditional idea of martial arts both before and after 1945. Regarding the foundations of the organizations, Jee Do Kwan was more close to Japanese style in short, stiff movements, belts, and uniforms. Kong Soo Do evolved into something close to Japanese style. Kong Soo means empty hands, same as the Japanese word Karate. Moo Duk Kwan was closer to Chinese style in bigger, more flexible movements, belts, and uniforms. The name Tang Soo Do meaning is close to the Tang dynasty in China. That is why Tang Soo Do is more influenced by Chinese style. Still, you can see some uniforms that are trimmed in traditional style. Moo Duk Kwan has the biggest membership of all these organizations in the world. The headquarters are in Seoul, Korea near the train station. Anyone who lives close to Seoul must come to the headquarters to complete Black Belt testings which are held two times a year. The largest Moo Duk Kwan school is at the headquarters in Seoul, followed by Young Deoung Po (Kang Myung Kyu), Young San (Chung Chang Young), and the Downtown YMCA (Oh Sae Joon). Hwang Kee tried to unite all of these organizations in the early 1950s under the name Tae Soo Do, and then changed the name again to Soo Bak Do which he incorporated under the government. Tang Soo Do belongs to the Soo Bak Do Corporation. Still the Moo Duk Kwan has two different groups. One for Tang Soo Do Moo Duk Kwan and the other Tae Kwon Do Moo Duk Kwan. More next month.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH ANDY & KATY GARNER

For the past seven years, Andy and Katy Garner have been two of the most valuable students in our school. They have given freely of their time and energy to help manage and teach classes, coordinate school clean-ups, support other students with their goals, repair or replace various fixtures that help us all be more comfortable, not to mention their FABULOUS HOG HEAVEN BAR-B-Q that they have often donated to numerous school dinners. They make quite a team when it comes to giving Master Shin the type of Black Belt leadership and support which makes Shin's Martial Arts a school that most people look to when they consider adding Tae Kwon Do to their lifestyle. Andy and Katy brought their sons, Richard and Christopher with them when they began classes, and the boys have followed in their parents' footsteps over the years. Katy first experienced martial arts many years ago from another style. When she introduced her husband to it in 2003 he knew he had found the missing link for his life. Andy has been a leader in the school from the beginning. He quickly took on many roles and became a person we can all count on. He and Katy have developed a loving, caring class support system that nurtures so many of our students. Andy teaches the Saturday morning class with the kind of stability that is hard to find.

We salute you both, Andy and Katy! You give us a great demonstration of what Tae Kwon Do is all about!



This has been a true family affair for the Garners. They ARE a real TAE KWON DO FAMILY!

Katy. Richard. Master Shin. Christopher. and Andy Garner



Andy having fun on the golf course with Ryan, Don, and Master Shin

Dates to Remember

**You will want to mark your calendar
for these upcoming events!**

FEBRUARY

Adult Senior Belt Class	February 12
Testing & Lunch Cookout/Bake Sale*	February 20
Atlanta Tournament	February 27

MARCH

Mission meeting 8:00-9:00 AM	March 6
Jackson, TN Kids Tournament*	March 13
Mission meeting 8:00-9:00 AM	March 20
Parents Night Out 5:00-10:00 PM*	March 27

APRIL

Mission meeting 8:00-9:00 AM	April 6
Kick-a-thon "Kickin' for the Mission" fund raiser*	April 10 (tentative)
Testing & Lunch Cookout/Bake Sale*	April 17
Mission meeting 8:00-9:00 AM	April 24

MAY

Yard Sale fund raiser*	May 1
Mission meeting 8:00-9:00 AM	May 8
Bellevue Picnic Demonstration & Booth*	May 15
Mission meeting 8:00-9:00 AM	May 22

JUNE

Mission meeting 8:00-9:00 AM	June 5
Mexico Mission Trip	June 12-19
Testing	June 26

***These events will include fund raising for the mission seminary in Mexico.**