





# **Sports Quest**

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2019 End of Year Newsletter

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Since 1996, Sports Quest has passionately and intentionally shared the Good News of Jesus Christ using the platform of soccer. Thousands of lives have been positively impacted through a clear presentation of the gospel, and countless young people have been discipled and encouraged in their personal faith journey. Additionally, not only have former campers and players become Sports Quest coaches, many are now bringing their own children to camp each summer! This is such a blessing, and clearly highlights the vision of Sports Quest to develop next generation leaders through soccer.



#### **Next Generation Leaders...**

"As a former player, coach and current parent of a player, I cannot express the tremendous impact Sports Quest has made on my life and my family. I played soccer for Sports Quest for 5 years and coached alongside them for almost 10 years. The values and character they demonstrate and instilled in me is the reason I not only believe so much in their ministry, but why I will continue to send my son to camps to enjoy the same experiences I had."

- Chad Williamson, Assistant Principal, Katy ISD



SHARING BIBLICAL TRUTH TO REACH, TEACH & ENCOURAGE NEXT GENERATION LEADERS THROUGH SOCCER



"I spent 3 summers working with Sports Quest. Observing Sports Quest as an employee and now as a parent, I continue to be impressed with the excellence in which Sports Quest runs their camps; both the soccer skills and the Biblical teaching provided to aspiring soccer players is second to none. I hope to see my kids working for Sports Quest soon!"



ALISON T. - PARENT





#### Summer Camps

Our summer camp theme of "Quest for Faith" was a huge hit as we challenged kids to embrace God's command to Joshua, "Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified;do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:9). Almost 600 children were reached through our camp program, with 120 saying "yes" to the invitation to receive Jesus as their Personal Savior.

"October 13, 2019, my grandson was baptized, and it was his testimony that during your teaching of God's Truth and Salvation that he asked Jesus to be his Lord and Savior. God used you and your willingness to invest in the lives of young soccer players and to deliver a clear plan of salvation. As a result, my grandson is now our brother in Christ!" - L.H. Grandparent



#### Homeschoo

Now in our eighth year of Homeschool soccer, we sincerely appreciate not only the organization of HCYA Hurricanes (Homeschool Christian Youth Association) but also the unique discipleship opportunity afforded by the environment. Practices twice per week, end of session devotionals, game attendance and weekly newsletters provide a rich setting to walk alongside players (and their families) with a Christ-centered focus.

"I am always deeply encouraged by your weekly newsletters. I really appreciate the thought and prayer that goes into putting them together. Thank you so much. Sports Quest keeps a pursuit of Christ at the heart of this program and we are so grateful." - K.D. Homeschool Parent & Hurricanes Board Member





## **International Missions**

This was a BIG step of faith for Sports Quest as we followed God's call to minister overseas. In March, we headed to Haiti with a group of 19 volunteer coaches in partnership with the orphan ministry Coreluv where we conducted clinics and shared Christ with approximately 250 children.

At the end of July, we traveled to Rwanda, in partnership with the International Anglican Church (IAC). Our time in Byumba involved adult coaching clinics, speaking at a youth conference and sharing the gospel message with approximately 2,500 people at the youth cup final! Additionally we were blessed by the support of ZebStrong Foundation which donated 50 soccer balls and backpacks to the coaches.





"I was originally drawn to SQ because their ministry combines Biblical truth & soccer training without watering down either. I'm still supporting SQ after 20 years because I have seen God impact children & adults through their programs. Witnessing children praying to receive Christ as their Savior at a soccer camp is absolutely amazing to me. Seeing dramatic improvements in the confidence & posture of a disheartened young man over the course of one week is also profound. It is obvious to me that God continues to bless people through SQ."



DAVID MARKLEY SQ BOARD MEMBER





#### **Devotionals**

The writing ministry of Sports Quest continues to make a lasting impact on its readers. Weekly newsletters to players/parents within the homeschool program are a constant source of encouragement and accountability.





## Inflatables

An exciting new branch of Sports Quest is our Soccer Inflatables Rental Program. Choose from 2 sizes of soccer arenas, plus a fun "Soccer Challenge". Options are available for 1, 2 or all 3 inflatables which offer a one of a kind experience at birthday parties, community and corporate events etc. Visit sqsoccer.com for more information and pricing.

## Home Place of Texas (HPOTX)

Sports Quest continued its weekly soccer sessions at Home Place of Texas, with several young players volunteering their time to assist coaching adults with disabilities – yet another example of encouraging next generation leaders to step into positions of responsibility. The sessions are always a blast, as the joy of simply playing the game and learning about Jesus is the main emphasis.



#### **Community Involvement**

With a commitment to partnering with local churches, schools, ministries and businesses, Sports Quest enjoyed the privilege of supporting many endeavors through soccer activities and the distribution of countless Bibles.





CHECK OUT THE SPORTS QUEST YOUTUBE PAGE FOR RECAP VIDEOS FROM THE TRIP AND SUMMER



## THANK YOU TO ALL OUR SPONSORS

#### The Vision...

- To continue to provide soccer ministry locally and to develop relationships worldwide
- To provide top quality soccer & devotional resources in English & foreign languages
- To create a new revenue stream to support the ministry through soccer inflatable rentals
- To increase our reach & impact within the under-served soccer community
- **To develop additional ministry partnerships** with churches & para-church organizations
- To add administrative staff and soccer coaches to the SQ ministry team

## We Need Your Help!

This is a critical time for Sports Quest as we prepare to increase and expand our impact for Christ through soccer.

Would you please prayerfully consider becoming a ministry partner with an **End of Year Financial Contribution?** 

This will allow us to finish strong in 2019 and provide a solid platform for local and international missions in 2020 and beyond!



## **Making a Year-End Contribution**

For 2019 contributions to qualify as tax-deductible, they must be received by Sports Quest as follows:

**ONLINE:** Contributions submitted to www.sqsoccer.com must be made defore midnight on December 31, 2019.

**BY MAIL:** Contributions should be mailed to Sports Quest Inc., P.O. Box 1383, Cypress, TX 77410-1383 and postmarked before January 1, 2020.

Thank You For Your Generosity!

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year From Sports Quest

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