

AIA WITH J WONG

BUILDING SPIRITUAL MOVEMENTS THROUGH THE PLATFORM OF SPORT
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Future... Changed!!!

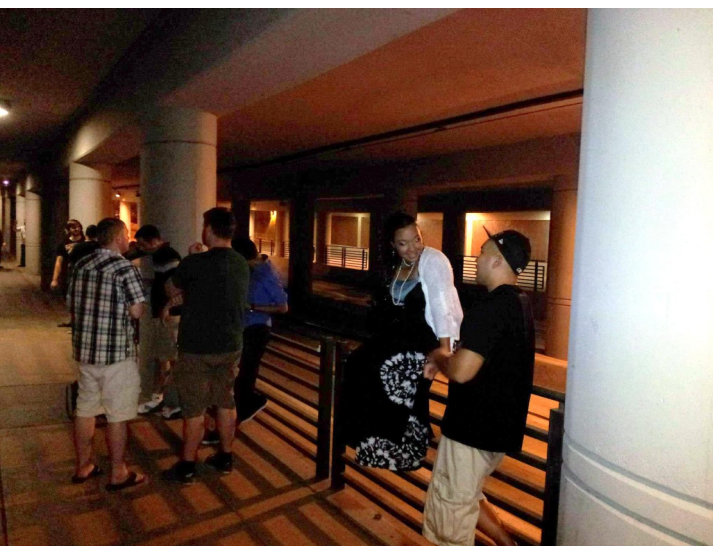
It's crazy how God works, but in my June newsletter I shared that AIA was sending me to the University of California Irvine. Since then plans have changed a bit. To make a very long story short, a few weeks ago I got a strong sense from the Lord that perhaps UCI was the wrong placement for me and that I should actually be going to Headquarters in Xenia, OH. It was strange because this really came out of the blue and I've never felt something so sudden. So I immediately prayed and asked a few friends to pray for me as well.

Next, I wanted to talk to our National Campus Director, Steve, to see if that position was even still available. After I found out it was still there, Steve and I continued to pray to see what the Lord was saying. I got on a conference call with Steve, Higgs (my Regional Director), and Gus (UCI Campus Director). It was a very encouraging conversation as it dawned on me how blessed I am to have these guys as my leaders. The placement process was officially closed, but Steve and Higgs took the next couple of days to make the decision of whether or not to reopen the process. Late Friday afternoon and to my surprise, Steve called me with a decision, saying, "You're coming out to Ohio."

Later I found out that Steve talked with all the Regional Directors and after asking him many good questions, they decided to switch my placement to Headquarters. I'll admit I'm definitely sad that I'm not going to be as close to Tucson and I won't be living in the So Cal area, but as I've been dwelling on this, I find myself more excited and more at peace. This is a rare opportunity I'm getting within the organization.



The front portion of our Headquarters building in Xenia. It's a beautiful place!



Opportunity Knocks

Why is this a rare opportunity you ask? Because of my job description. I am still going to be in campus ministry, but I have two different responsibilities. One, I will be campus staff (same thing I've been doing at UA) on a specific campus. Two, I will be on the National Campus Leadership Team that Steve has been putting together. It's unique because I get to see both a bottom up and top down approach to campus ministry... the best of both worlds! My friend put it best, "Jeremy, new staff don't get this type of opportunity coming right out of New Staff Training." I can't wait to get out there!

Seeing God move,
Jeremy

Fishing on 4th

Some friends and I went to be fishers of men on the first weekend students were back in Tucson. Fourth avenue is packed with bars and clubs and a hot spot for lost college students searching for empty pleasures this world has to offer.

For more information, you can check out my website at www.wongside.com/jeremy

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