



SPORTS QUEST ANNUAL NEWSLETTER 2007

*"You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus.
He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High."
Luke 1:31-32*

Staff News

Sports Quest started 2007 by sending Matt Miller and Kevin Dove to Indianapolis for the NSCAA Convention (January 10 - 14).

Dannon Wells attended the NSCAA Regional Diploma and also the USSF D License in San Antonio.

In early March, Kevin Dove went to Costa Rica on a mission trip teaching kids about Jesus and soccer.

On July 9th, Matt and his wife



Marissa welcomed their third baby girl (Elissa) into the world.

In August Ryan Frommel and Juan Ortega successfully completed their

D License in Plano while in September, former Bolivian National team player, Juan Carlos Ruiz, joined the Sports Quest staff.

Also, in September Jim Spence visited Charlotte Eagles in North



Carolina to help develop soccer ministry materials.

In October Juan Carlos was selected to play in an exhibition game in Washington DC, and on December 16th, he was



baptized at the soccer field following the Sports Quest men's ministry soccer game in Magnolia, TX.



Clinics & Community News

March

- Upward Coaches Clinic in Austin
- Houston Inner-city Clinic for kids in partnership with Henderson Hills Baptist Church of Oklahoma
- Fairfield Movie Night & Soccer Blast

April

- Champion Forest Golf Fundraiser
- Interviewed by KSBJ Christian radio

May

- Interviewed by KHCB Christian radio

August

- Fairfield Coaches Clinic
- Upward Coaches Clinic in Kingwood
- St. Marks Coaches Clinic
- Start of Fairfield Kids Clinics (6 weeks)
- Donation of mini van by North Oaks Baptist Church

September

- St. Francis Kids Clinic
- Second Baptist Coaches Clinic
- Duchesne Coaches Clinic
- Start of U9 Girls Clinics at Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church (10 weeks)
- Memorial Drive United Methodist Church Coaches Clinic
- Start of U9 Girls Clinics at St. Francis (5 weeks)
- Start of U10 boys Spring Branch training (8 weeks)
- Wesley Academy Kids Clinic

October

- Fairfield Movie night & Soccer Blast

November

- Soccer Blast— Upward Kingwood

December

- Men's soccer ministry game in Magnolia

Westside Soccer Club News

The spring season kicked off with team training in January. In early February the 10 week Tactics and Skills Training Program started for players aged 8—10 years.

In April, Westside hosted the Houston Easter Invitational Tournament. Three teams trained by Sports Quest took first place, while three other Sports Quest teams were runners up.

Also in April, Sports Quest provided free training for players aged 10 and under on Sunday afternoons. The sessions were

concluded with a free Soccer Blast (and Pizza) for local



community players.

Tryouts were held in early May with 5 new U11 teams being

formed for the fall.

Fall team training got off to a very hot start in mid August with a week long fitness camp for Westside Soccer Club players.

A 12 week Tactics & Skills Training Program began late August with over 50 kids attending on a weekly basis.

On September 1-3 the Houston Labor Day Cup was held at Bear Creek Park hosted by Westside & Bear Creek Soccer Clubs.

Training finished at the end of November with several teams advancing to District Playoffs.



Summer Camps

- Camps started June 4 & ended August 15
- Conducted 22 camps
- 6 new locations
- Over 1500 children heard the gospel message
- 174 commitments to Christ
- First time camps for 4 year olds
- New features included:
 - Reduced camp fee from 2006
 - Half priced camps for 4-5 year olds
 - Special family discounts & incentives
 - "Bring a friend" Friday
 - Music at Friday Soccer Blast
 - Professional camp photographer
- 224 children received full / partial scholarships
- Sponsored camp held at Springwoods Baptist Church
- Sponsored camp held at the Heights inner city
- Post camp parent survey



The Devotional Theme this summer was "Quest for Glory"

Day 1: Introduction to the week's theme.

Psalm 115:1

Day 2: To God be the glory.

1 Corinthians 10:31

Day 3: Motivated by grace (playing for an audience of One.

2 Corinthians 5:20

Day 4: Responding to the trials of competition / life.

Isaiah 64:8

Day 5: Falling short of God's glory.

Romans 3:23



International News

In April, Sports Quest and Westside Soccer Club once again hosted Kings Academy from England (U19 boys). Training sessions and games were provided during their stay in Houston and sight seeing trips were arranged to NASSA, Kema and Galveston.



Prison Ministry



Sports Quest's men's soccer team visited Beaumont Federal Correctional Institution in March and then again in October, while in July the team traveled to Bastrop FCI to play against the inmates.

Each visit consisted included a Sports Quest player testimony / devotional at the end of the game followed by prayer. Bibles and Christian tracts were provided to all players.

School News

Sports Quest was once again hired by St. Agnes Academy and Cypress Christian School. Varsity coaches Jim Spence and Matt Miller took their teams to State in February. Tryouts for the 2007-2008 season were conducted in October by Sports Quest and the new season started in early November.



Year-End Giving

Would you please prayerfully consider an end of year financial contribution to help make the Sports Quest soccer ministry available to more children?

Go to www.sportsquesttraining.com
and click on "Donations"

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and all donations are tax deductible

**Wishing you all a
Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year**

