



HMI Ice Chips

Hockey Camp Fundraiser

This past May, Hockey Ministries International, Moody Broadcasting, and the "Pass It On" Hockey Ministry group got together for a fundraising game at Oak Lawn Ice Arena. Dave Mitchell of WMBI, did a great job of promoting the event for us and the PIO group helped to raise donations and play the HMI ringers, as some would call us. Each player on both teams is required to find donations so that they will be able to play in the game. If you listen to the radio you have probably heard that Dave is an avid hockey fan and he also plays hockey as a goalie (a pretty good one I might add). This event is always a lot of fun, and best of all it raises much needed funds for our Chicago Christian Hockey camp. We use the funds raised to reduce the cost for every camper and we also give scholarships to those that could not afford even the reduced cost of camp. The fundraiser is also a great way to promote "Christian" hockey camps. Hockey Ministries International is the only group that does a Christian camp.

Jesus is the reason for our camp and hockey is secondary. Even though hockey is secondary we still have an excellent program. We just choose to glorify God through his Son Jesus Christ in everything we do at camp. If you know anything about youth hockey, you know that it is played on Sunday mornings and it is very hard for people to get to church. So the campers that go to our camps are like hockey missionaries because when they leave camp they all play on different teams throughout the Chicago area. There are no other Christian "hockey" camps in the world except maybe Teen Ranch in Canada.

This year's "Pass It On" group had some of its own ringers and they gave the HMI team a real run for our money... it is the first year that the contest ended in an exciting



Matthew 10:32-33

"Stand up for me against world opinion and I'll stand up for you before my Father in heaven. [33] If you turn tail and run, do you think I'll cover for you? The Message..."

twelve to twelve tie in regulation... so we went to a shoot out... our ringers included Rob Globke (Florida Panthers NHL), Danny Charleston (Grand Rapids Griffins AHL), and Randy Guzior (Northeastern University NCAA Div. 1). In the end, our ringers were better than theirs, especially when it comes to shoot outs... we won 2-0. I want to personally thank all those who played in this event and all of those that donated their time and money to make this event a success... We raised close to 6 thousand dollars.

Prayer and Praise



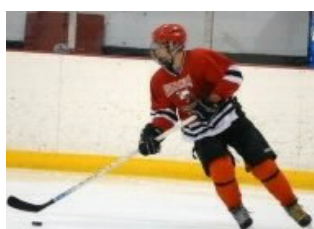
Praise the Lord for Samantha's job and please pray for her as she works daily with "special needs" adults. Her days can be very challenging with some of the more difficult "clients" and extra measures of patience and wisdom would be helpful... and yet, she loves the job for the most part. PTL.

Debbie is thankful for the fact that her fibromyalgia does not seem to be getting worse... it seems to be at a place where, even though inconvenient, it's not terminal or incapacitating. Please pray for her to be able to find a good balance of "working out" to keep it in check.



Misty has decided to go to Liberty University PTL... please pray for a smooth transition and for her to thrive both spiritually and physically. Also pray that she would regain some of her confidence on the hockey rink.

Summer Camp Schedule: June 21-26: Chicago Camp
July 18- Aug 8: Kingston, Calgary and Moose Jaw Camps
Please pray for endurance, health, and patience over this three week period. Three camps in a row are very taxing... pray for safety of the campers and hearts open to the gospel message.



Please pray for grace and God's direction for BJ, our son... he went to a try-out and in the second period of the first skate he got injured. He tore a bone chip off of his hip in his hip flexor area so he is done for 4-6 weeks, and that's when all of the try-outs are for Junior A teams. I guess he is either playing for last year's team or if the team in Toronto still needs him he may go there. That's the bad news. The good news is, this is an injury that happens to 14 to 15 year olds, and he is 18 which means he has some more growing to do. He's 5'10" now so maybe he'll get to 6' or taller. Please pray for wisdom in dealing with OCD and its challenges.

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