

Bikers and Black Belts Parent Letter



Dear Parents,

They're a pretty normal Texan family: mom, dad, two teens. Jason's a quarterback coach; Caryn's a sideline mom. Jason and his son teach *tae kwon do*. Together, Jason and Caryn belong to a Christian motorcycle association and attend biking events. The Bishops have been transplanted to Hamburg (HOM-berg), Germany to do ordinary things in an extraordinarily tough mission field. Hamburg is filled with people who are indifferent to God. Kids On Mission are discovering how the Bishops use their interests, hobbies and spiritual gifts to reach their fellow (you guessed it) Hamburgers!

This month's focus verse is 1 Peter 4:10. After learning the verse together, remind your child how gifted he or she truly is. Leave encouraging notes in lunchboxes, sock drawers, or bedroom doors. (*I love to hear you sing! Your math skill amazes me.*) Help your child recognize that talent extends far beyond athletic or artistic skill. God has need of people who can organize, write, think and do dirty jobs without complaining!

American football is relatively new to Hamburg so Caryn Bishop helps football parents rev up their team spirit. Does your child play on an athletic team? Consider ways your family can minister to the sideline parents. Bring treats. Host a post-game movie. Schedule a team visit to your church.

Check out the resources at kidsonmission.org. Watch the "Bikers and Black Belts" video clips with your child. Invite him to share his learning experiences with you. Additional articles, prayer guides, and photos (some kid-appropriate, some for parents only) about mission work in Hamburg can be found at <http://europeanpeoples.imb.org/pray/view/hamburg-video-guide>.

Thanks for helping us show kids how they can be on mission right now and in the future!

