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This past month, Melanie and I felt blessed reconnecting and sharing our adventures in South Africa with family and new friends. As we diligently complete the necessary tasks for returning to Cape Town by early next year, we discovered that our 2014 team rapidly expanded from two to seven. Let me give you a brief description of our new teammates.

Jerrah & Tammi have been married for almost two years now. These two were both single on our 2010 team in Cape Town, and were engaged by the end of our first missions trip together. This young, adventurous African-American couple loves the Lord and enjoys serving Him overseas. They are currently residing in Indianapolis, IN.

Tyrone & Andrea have been married for ten years and recently adopted their first child; a beautiful little girl named Isabella. The past eight years they have worked with Cru High focusing on reaching high school students with the message of the gospel of Jesus Christ in Houston, TX. Now they hear God's calling to serve in Cape Town by joining our team.

Charlotte has been a dear friend to our family. She was on our 2008 Ghana summer missions team, and she is the godmother of our youngest daughter Nala. Charlotte was a conference and event planner for the Impact Movement for seven years. She is excited about how God has opened doors for her return to South Africa.

Melanie and I have been blessed to lead some wonderful mission teams, and each team has been unique. The 2014 Cape Town team will have 3 Black couples committed to doing long term missions! I am amazed how the Lord assembled this team that I didn't recruit. Mobilizing African-Americans to go overseas excites me, and leading this unique team is an answer to prayer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Leon Best". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "L".