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The Brink Connection

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"I have a bunch of men who want to lead people to Christ, but we don't know how. Can you help us?" That's what Tom asked another man at his church, Leonard. Leonard happens to be our president at Power to Change, and he said "Sure!" The next week, Leonard met with Tom and a group of men Tom had been having prayer meetings and Bible studies with for a number of years. Leonard explained a simple strategy: they would host an outreach dinner, and each of the men would invite their non-Christian friends. These men had been praying for friends around them for a long time, so this was a concrete way for them to introduce their friends to Christ.

Over the next few weeks leading up to the event, Tom and the guys met together regularly to pray for the event, share stories of who they had invited, and encourage each other to keep inviting friends. Leonard gave them some basic training, explaining that each man would sit at a table with the men he had invited, and would be responsible for following up with them after the event.

On the night of the outreach, each of the guys in Tom's group showed up with a number of friends. Leonard shared about the deep soul cravings that are found in every person's heart: cravings for intimacy, destiny, and meaning. Every person can identify with those desires, and as much as we try, they seem so elusive to fill. Leonard shared that God is

the one who put those cravings in us, and that He is the only one who can truly satisfy them. The night had a real impact on a number of people there, and God was able to use this dinner to open up lots of opportunities for Tom's buddies to talk about God with their friends.

This is why Power to Change exists. We want to take people on faith adventures. For the non-Christians who came to the dinner, they went on a faith adventure to learn about the spiritual side of life, and to discover Jesus and their need of Him. For Tom's buddies, they went on a faith adventure as they experienced the Holy Spirit working through them to invite friends to discover Jesus, and to engage them in conversation afterwards. And for Tom, he went on a faith adventure to inspire the guys in his group to take new steps in their walk with God.

I'm delighted to be back working with Power to Change after our trip to Africa. Working in the Information Technology department, one of our Core Service departments, I get to support a wide variety of exciting ministries. I get to support **Athletes in Action**, as they take Christian athletes on faith adventures like playing soccer tournaments in Paraguay and using their platform of sport to introduce other players to Jesus. I get to support the **Christian Embassy** as they take Christian members of parlia-

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Why am I getting this letter?

About three times a year, I send out a letter about the ministry work that I have the privilege of doing with Power to Change to family, friends, and acquaintances who have encouraged and supported us over the years in the mission work God has called us to. For some of you, you first started getting letters from us when we went on our mission trip to Burkina Faso, West Africa, with SIM. Now that we're back

in Canada, we're still "on mission" with Power to Change, seeking to introduce people to Christ in our own culture.

If you'd prefer to not receive this letter anymore, just send a quick e-mail to jason.brink@powerchange.org, and I'll take you off the list. (And don't worry, I won't be offended!)

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ment on faith adventures to share the role God plays in their lives with ambassadors and other political leaders. I get to support **FamilyLife**, as they take couples on faith adventures to discover how a relationship with God can be an integral part of having a strong, healthy marriage at their weekend marriage conferences. I get to support the **Global Aid Network**, as they take African villagers on a faith adventure to discover that God loves them enough to send a water well drilling team to provide clean drinking water. And, that's just 4 of 16 ministries that I get to be a part of, as I seek to provide them with information and technology resources to enable them to be as effective as possible.

Well, I think you can tell that I'm a little excited about the vision and direction of Power to Change. And, I hope this gets you excited too, because you are an integral part of this ministry! Your partnership with me through financial and prayer support is vital to making this happen. I would not be able to do what I do if it wasn't for you. If you'd like to get even

more involved, please let me know! Maybe you'd like to go on a faith adventure, and want some help to introduce your friends to Jesus. Maybe you want to give financially. Maybe you know some friends who you think would love to hear about this ministry that you want to introduce me to. Maybe you want to commit to more consistent prayer. Please give me a call or send me an e-mail if you'd like to talk more about any of these things.



The 16 ministries of Power to Change I get to support. To find out more about each one, go to powertochange.org, and click on "Our Ministries"

Prayer Requests

- For me as I take on more responsibilities at Power to Change.
- For our ministries, as they seek to take people across Canada on faith adventures
- For us to be a light in the new neighborhood we've moved into.
- For the baby boy growing in Shannon's tummy!

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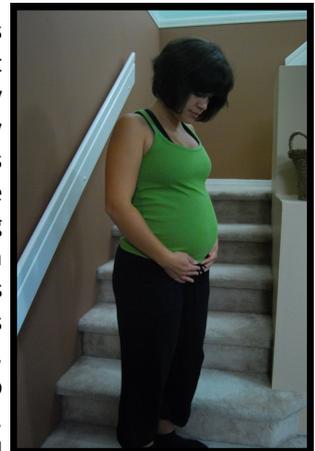
Go to powertochange.org, click on "Ways to Give", and type "Brink" in the Donation search.

Personal Life Transitions

For those of you who got our last update letter after our Africa trip, you know that settling back into life in Canada isn't the only big transition we've been going through in the last few months. Shannon and I also moved into a new house on Sept 1st. Unpacking, installing shelves, organizing, and painting, painting, painting have been keeping us busy for the last few weeks. But, it's been a huge blessing to have our own place now. Pray that God would use this house for HIS glory, and that we'd be a light in our new neighbourhood.

The other transition, the biggest one of all, is starting to become more obvious when you see Shannon. It started out so small, but we

know that this new baby due at the end of January will radically change our lives forever. We've been enjoying connecting with our son-to-be as we feel his kicks and movements, and are starting to set up his room. Pray that God would give us wisdom, and develop us into the kind of parents He wants us to be!



Thanks again for your interest in our lives and support of us in this ministry. May God richly bless you!

Yours in Christ,

Jason and Shannon Brink