

## WHY DOES SPORTS QUEST EXIST?

Sports Quest is dedicated to sharing Biblical truth to reach, teach & encourage next generation leaders through soccer. Over the years, we have been privileged to see God at work, as former players have not only returned to become coaches within the ministry, but have also become leaders away from the soccer field. From entrepreneurs, teachers, doctors, parents...Sports Quest has touched the lives of thousands of young people since its foundation in 1996. In short, Sports Quest is, has and will continue to make a difference for now and for eternity! The following testimony of player turned coach/mentor is just one example of how soccer ministry truly does make an impact...

## **PAYING IT FORWARD**

"My name is Sydney Vanhorn - or "Sydo" as Coach Jim likes to call me, and Sports Quest has played a major part in me becoming a **NEXT GENERATION LEADER!** I had the privilege to play for the Hurricanes the very first year homeschool started a girls team. I played the following two years, my Junior and Senior year of high school, and continued to play at Toccoa Falls College, where I was awarded athlete of the month and First Team All-Region player of 2016. I played all the way until I graduated in May 2017 and now have the opportunity to come back and coach the Hurricanes middle school girls team!



Obviously, from a time standpoint, soccer has always been a huge part of my life. However, it has also helped shape me into who I am today. I was beyond blessed during my time as a Hurricane. The Sports Quest coaches I had taught me more than just soccer skills. They taught me what it meant to work hard, look out for others, play competitively yet with character and ultimately how to glorify God in everything I do. They showed me how to take something that I love doing and turn it into a



means to spread the gospel. The Sports Quest coaches I had during my time with the Hurricanes and the coaches I had in college all poured into my life in such a real way. Yes, they cared about winning, improving soccer skills, all that good stuff, but more importantly they cared about me as a player.

I have seen and experienced the impact a coach can have on a player's life and that is why I am so excited to be on this side of soccer now. I miss playing, but coaching the middle school girls team has been a huge blessing in my life. I have learned so much through this sport and now to pass it on to another generation of girls brings

unimaginable joy. Sports Quest is such a cool ministry to be a part of and I am glad that God uses it the way He does."

## **WILL YOU JOIN US?**

As 2017 draws to a close, will you prayerfully consider making a generous year-end contribution to support the ministry of Sports Quest? There are many more "Sydo's" waiting to be reached with the gospel message, nurtured spiritually through a discipleship process, and encouraged intentionally along a leadership pathway.

Secure online donations may be made at <a href="www.sportsquesttraining.com">www.sportsquesttraining.com</a>, or checks may be mailed to: Sports Quest, P.O. Box 1383, Cypress, TX. 77410-1383

Sincerely,
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