

Recovery & Running

Dirke & Lorna Johnson

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Lorna's recovery has gone well. Within two months she has gone from using a walker, to using a cane to now walking normally & driving. She is still building stamina in her right hip and leg but the doctors are encouraged. **She is on pace to have her other hip replaced on Dec. 29th.** At right is her doctor & nurses who performed surgery in germ sterile outfits.

The surgery, however, did not slow Lorna down. The day after returning from the hospital she hosted her staff team of 18 people with the assistance of her "helpful" © husband.



A few weeks later she was a coach at a week-long leadership development initiative. Pictured at left, she speaks on a panel. She also coached ministry team leaders (below) during the week and hosted some of the women at our home (also pictured below).



Lorna

Lorna is also on the Orange County Homeless Commission and has been asked to carry out a leadership role with an Easter Outreach called, "He Got Up." **The event will engage more than 100 churches and city organizations. They are preparing for 30,000 people to pack the Citrus Bowl on Easter** as they focus on poverty and homelessness in Orlando. In addition, **Lorna is launching her Athletic Training Academy's tutoring/mentoring program for urban athletes in January.** Pray for all the preparation. So you can see she may not be physically running but God has granted her favor and energy to run in the Spirit!



Dirke leading training

Pictured in the middle above, Dirke is sharing with a group of urban church leaders at a seminar at Palm Beach Atlantic University where Dirke is an adjunct professor in the Ministry degree program. At right, above, Dirke is leading four days of team workshops with two of Cru's major leadership teams: **Global Fund Development** team that is responsible to raise millions for our overseas initiatives and a **Global V.P. Leadership Development** team responsible to provide leadership development for national leadership teams around the world.



Danelle's Baby Shower

Two weeks ago Lorna was able to fly to Washington D.C. and along with the help of our other daughters (Alyssa & Briana) put on a baby shower for Danelle. Over 30 women attended, one flew in from Europe to celebrate with Danelle. Dirke was jealous as Lorna & the girls were able to spend several precious days together in the midst of their busy schedules.

Upper left pic is Briana who came in from NYC and Alyssa who flew in from Minneapolis where she left Matt to watch our two granddaughters. Lorna and Briana are in the upper right pic. Briana will be flying in the first week of January to help take care of Lorna as she recovers from her 2nd surgery because Dirke will be in NYC teaching a seminary class to Cru staff. The bottom pic has everyone putting their hands on the soon to be baby boy in Danelle that is due December 14th. Pray for a healthy and safe delivery.

Summer Impact for Christ

Our **Athletes in Action** ministry that Lorna ministered with this summer mobilized 950 student-athletes to share Christ in 22 countries.

Our **Campus** ministries that we have worked with sent 3,500 students & faculty to 53 nations seeing 5,000+ commit their lives to Christ. And we sent out another 45 teams to 40 countries to set up an ongoing presence.

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