

# Steve Pam & Peter Schenk

Awana missionaries in Ohio

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*The impact God has planned for us doesn't occur when we are pursuing impact. It occurs when we are pursuing God.*  
*Phil Vischer*

### Praise the Lord!

- ☆ We have been blessed beyond measure throughout this past club year! Dozens of young people have trusted Christ as Savior. Hundreds of adults have been trained to serve in their local churches. Thousands of people have received resources from our website.
- ☆ Awards ceremonies might be our favorite type of ministry visits. We are able to meet achievers who have spent many hours learning God's Word and who have earned recognition for their efforts. This year we helped seven churches with their end-of-year celebrations.
- ☆ Many clubs host Grand Prix races or Fun Fairs to celebrate their ministry. We helped with eight of these events and presented the gospel message at each opportunity. At least four young people trusted Christ as Savior after Steve spoke.
- ☆ Awana partnered with CEF for an after-school program at the Lincoln Community Center in Troy. We were able to march with them in the Strawberry Festival Parade this year.
- ☆ Pam serves as a Sparks leader at our home church of Patterson Park in Beavercreek. We hosted a picnic for all the Sparks workers and their families; 42 people came to our house for the food and fellowship.

### Please pray for us:

- ✎ Please pray for those churches who just completed their first year with an Awana club as they evaluate their ministry and plan for the future.
- ✎ Pray also for those pastors who are considering starting new clubs next fall. We desire that they start strong and stay strong in reaching kids with the gospel.
- ✎ We plan to provide training for both new workers and experienced leaders; pray for wisdom as we schedule these activities through the summer months.
- ✎ Pray for the ministry across Ohio as two missionary couples are now serving in other states. 20 years ago Ohio had three missionaries and later we had as many as five couples. Now we will be back to three, which will require discernment in our schedules.
- ✎ Pray for the leadership of Awana Clubs International as they move the ministry forward in the upcoming years. We face some challenges to growing the ministry and providing funding for that growth.
- ✎ Pray we would stay faithful in serving the Lord and serving His church.

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