



February 5, 2010:

Dear Friends & Family,

I am participating in a mission trip to serve in Rwanda, Africa this summer, July 19 – August 4, 2010. I am excited about this opportunity to serve and encourage missionary individuals and families serving in Rwanda and central Africa alongside a team of students and adults, sponsored by Friendswood Friends Church. Our ministry will include providing Vacation Bible School and student programs for the families of missionaries to Africa as they attend an annual conference and retreat. We will be encouraging our brothers and sisters in their perseverance to reach their communities as we minister to them in a variety of ways and hear the stories of God's work in their lives. We will also have the unique opportunity to experience Rwandan culture and to celebrate God's presence in Rwanda as we experience the history of this region through the lives and testimonies of the Rwandan people.

This past year at summer camp we sang a song called "I Will Go" by Starfield. The chorus to this song says, "I will go Lord, send me to the world, to the lost, to the poor and hungry." Whenever I sang this song it wasn't like singing any other song. I truly believed in every word I was saying and I felt a connection that could only be God calling me to the lost. Seeing as this is my first year in high school, I haven't been able to go on any mission trips yet. When I heard we were sending a team to Rwanda I remembered how I had been so sure about going to the world, the lost, and the poor and hungry, and Rwanda matches these descriptions quite well. I prayed about it and came to the decision of going to Africa to share my story with the people of Rwanda.

Would you please support me as I prepare for this trip? First, I want you to pray for me! Second, I need to raise 100% of my registration and travel costs of \$3,000. I have been working every weekend at various fundraisers at the church, but I am counting on people like you to hopefully donate the majority of what I need.

There are two different ways to respond:

1. Print and complete the response form on the next page and return it to me, or
2. Visit [rwanda.friendswoodfriends.org](http://rwanda.friendswoodfriends.org) and look for my name on the list of team members. Click my name, and from there you can donate online using PayPal.

Thank you for your support, and as we get closer to the trip, keep looking at [rwanda.friendswoodfriends.org](http://rwanda.friendswoodfriends.org) for news and reports from us in Rwanda.

*Kristen Newton*



If you would like to receive a prayer calendar and schedule for my trip when it becomes available, as well as e-mail updates from our team while we are in Rwanda, please mark the response form.

Rwanda 2010 Response Form for **KRISTEN NEWTON**

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

I have enclosed a one-time gift.

I would like to support your trip financially with monthly gifts in March, April and May for \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

I would like to receive a prayer calendar and e-mail updates.  
e-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

**If you wish to help financially:**

- Donate online at [rwanda.friendswodfriends.org](http://rwanda.friendswodfriends.org), OR
- Please make your check payable to FRIENDSWOOD FRIENDS CHURCH without my name appearing on the check so that your contribution will be tax deductible. Please send your check with this response to me ASAP or no later than **March 15** at :

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I really appreciate your support! Thank you!!!