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## URBANA 09 - IVCF's 22nd Student Mission Conference

St. Louis, MO

December 27- 31, 2009

**Q: What draws over 16,000 people (mostly college students) to the IVCF triennial Student Mission Convention two days after Christmas?**

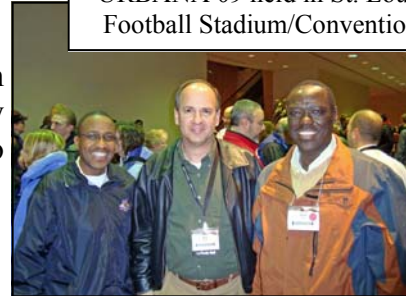
**A: The desire to clearly hear the voice of the Lord (Isaiah 6:8) at URBANA 09!**

Students were challenged through inspiring speakers, vibrant worship, testimonies, seminars, small group Bible studies, and interactions with representatives from over 500 mission organizations and prayer groups. As they heard the voice of the Lord:

- Over 2000 students made first time or commitments to Christ.
- Over 7500 committed themselves to short- or long-term cross-cultural ministry.
- Nearly \$1 Million was sacrificially given in offering to global missions.



URBANA 09 held in St. Louis Ram's Football Stadium/Convention Centre



Mark & Pastor Oscar Muriu (right) of Nairobi Chapel in Kenya - one of the main session speakers.



**Mark led two seminars at Urbana 09**, the first "*Contextualizing the Gospel*" in which 500 students packed the ballroom even sitting on the floor(!) and extending Mark's stay afterward by 90 minutes speaking with individual students passionate for Christ.

The second "*A Healthy Spiritual Life in Mission*" was given twice sharing about the spiritual rhythms vital for God to change us deeply from the inside out.

After each seminar Mark spoke with people hungry for more of God. One man, a **former Marine**, waited until everyone had left to tell Mark that he **felt God leading him to be a missionary pilot, and this session was his defining moment to answer God's call.**

### How to make Financial Contributions:

- For EFT (electronic funds transfer), credit card or online giving designate "Mark Slaughter" at: [www.intervarsity.org/donate/](http://www.intervarsity.org/donate/)
- Checks payable to IVCF, include a note to designate "Mark Slaughter" and mail to:

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## 2010 Prayer Preview

Praise God as He continues to open doors for ministry:

**Outreaches Planned** in which Mark will speak on campuses from Purdue Univ. (IN) to UW River Falls (WI).

Mark will serve as **Missions Conference Keynote Speaker** in Florida in March.

The **mentoring and training** of IVCF staff on evangelism and integrating spiritual formation continue to be a priority for Mark.

Beginning in May many students will be impacted this summer at **Cedar Campus**.

**WANTED: New Supporters**  
Pray for Mark's continued effort toward adding new ministry partners for an additional \$1000/monthly support.

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## *Our God Is Amazing!*

Through November and December, God has taken me on a wonderful faith journey miraculously providing through His people! After facing the largest financial deficit by far in our 20 years with InterVarsity, nearly **\$25,000** was sacrificially given in year-end gifts to completely erase our deficit as we enter 2010. We stand in awe as we see God's hand in providing the largest two-month period of giving in our history.

Several people have joined our support team or increased their monthly giving for 2010. **Thank you to new partners and everyone who gave above and beyond for your encouragement and partnership in reaching college students for Christ!**