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Bringing fuel-efficient stoves to the world

Dear friends and family,

This year I am excited to be participating in a service trip with StoveTeam International to help bring fuel-efficient cook-stoves to families in need.

Cooking over open fires is the leading cause of death of children under age five, and each year lower respiratory infections from open fire burning kill twice as many people as malaria. I am hoping to change lives by participating in StoveTeam's work to prevent this from happening.

During my trip, I will have the opportunity to participate in testing fuel-efficient Ecocina stoves in small villages and help with factory construction.

We will be working with a new factory owner who has become a leader in managing the production, marketing and sales of fuel-efficient stoves, and who has provided needed jobs in an area of high unemployment.

[Insert personal details about why you are going].

I will be paying for the trip myself, and the cost is \$950 plus airfare. A gift of any size will be appreciated, so please consider helping me help others.

If participating in a trip of this sort in the future is of interest to you, just visit StoveTeam's website to see how you can apply: <http://www.stoveteam.org/volunteer>.

I appreciate your support of my work and the work of StoveTeam International, so if you would like to make a donation either for stoves or to help pay for my trip, you can do so online at www.stoveteam.org/donate and by adding a note indicating your preference.

Thank you in advance for your help in promoting such a worthwhile project.

Thank you,