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Mick Donahue to Coach FWBBC Baseball Team

NASHVILLE, TN—Mitchell (Mick) Donahue, a 2004 graduate of Free Will Baptist Bible College who spent the past year in Spain devising strategy for creative access ministries in North Africa, has been named coach of the Flames baseball team, according to Athletics Director Mike Phillips. The 29-year-old North Carolina native played for the Flames two years, served one year as assistant coach, and one year as head coach, during which time he led the team to a championship berth in 2005.

Mr. Phillips said, "We are excited to have Coach Donahue back on our coaching staff. He coached the baseball team two years ago and did an exceptional job, leading the team to the Mid-East region championship game. He has experience as an athlete, and brings that knowledge and winning attitude to the coaching role. What I like best about Mick is his positive attitude, energy, and discipline. He leads by example and sets high expectations for our athletes."

After graduating from Stanley College in 1997 with an associate's degree in criminal justice, Donahue worked as a police officer and firefighter in Monroe, North Carolina. He subsequently left the police department to study missions at FWBBC, and also acquired his commercial pilot's license.

In addition to coaching baseball and raising support to return to the mission field in a few years, Coach Donahue will pursue a master's degree and conduct flight instruction in Nashville and surrounding areas.

Mick's wife, Rachel Donahue of Dickson (TN), graduated from FWBBC in 2005 with a degree in English.