



July/August 2025

# NEWSLETTER

## Sidewalk Sunday School



### Moments of Glory

Most of the children we serve live in single family homes. Mothers are often the primary caretakers and providers of the children. This isn't always the case but often fathers are absent for one reason or another.

Some of them are out getting drunk and high. Some of them have been locked up because of bad choices they've made. Some of them simply abandoned their children and families. Many of our children haven't even met their fathers.

A couple weeks prior to camp a father joined us with his children, he just moved into the apartments. After the message, in tears, he responded to the Gospel and professed faith in Jesus. The week prior to camp another father joined us with his children and wife. After the message he too responded to the Gospel.

We had a beautiful moment after our lesson where he shared with everyone briefly his testimony. He'd tell us how he was saved by Jesus and was trying to make his life right before the Lord. He'd been clean from drugs and alcohol for three months and he was working on his sobriety.

He was in a major accident at work where he should have died but God preserved his life. This young father, by the grace of God, joined us at camp with his children and wife. He has a long road ahead of him but what a joy it's been to see how the goodness of God has transformed his heart.

Our focus is the children but through the children God allows us to reach the parent(s). One of the children came up to me as we were preparing to leave for camp, "Pastor Nick! Pastor Nick!" They said, "I want to show you something."

Out of their pocket they took out this beautiful hand drawn picture of Jesus with scriptures around it. They were so excited about Jesus; what He'd been doing in their life, what He was about to do. I can only imagine how much influence the transformation of this one child's heart has had within their home.

The children of the father who came, responded, and shared his testimony had come to our program regularly for months. Every week we knocked on their door and months passed where we had never seen the father. The week he came was the first week I had met him.

God was working all of it together in preparation of this one day where the father would come with his children and in turn give his life to Jesus. These are the moments that make everything we do, all the sacrifices, that most people don't even see, worthwhile. These moments of glory compel us to move forward in reaching more children for Jesus.

Pastor Nick

#### MEMORIZE IT

"For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever. Amen." Romans 11:36



## SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

- 9/13: The Lord is My Shepherd
- 9/20: I Shall Not Want
- 9/27: He Makes Me Lie Down
- 10/4: He Leads Me Besides Still Waters
- 10/11: He Restores My Soul
- 10/18: Paths of Righteousness
- 10/25: The Valley of Death
- 11/1: You Are with Me
- 11/8: You Prepare a Table
- 11/15: You Anoint My Head with Oil
- 11/29: Goodness and Mercy
- 12/6: House of the Lord

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- 11/22: Sidewalk Thanksgiving (tentative date, subject to change)
- 12/6: Fall Series Ends
- 12/13: Sidewalk Christmas Giveaway

## UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

9/4: Zaryia	10/2: Joseph
9/9: Luis	10/4: Benjamin
9/10: Edgar	10/10: Angel
9/11: Christopher	10/10: Nasla
9/13: Breanna	10/11: Mareigha
9/18: Michael A.	10/13: Aniyah
9/22: Josthyn	10/15: Cailynn
9/24: David	10/17: Marlisbeth
9/24: Katherine	10/23: Arlette
9/30: Michael R.	10/30: Liam

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



## PRAISE REPORT

1. Summer Camp was a huge success. We had more than 50 parents and children join us for camp.
2. We had 15 people who responded to the Gospel while at camp!
3. Several provisions have been made as people prayed in preparation of Sidewalk Thanksgiving in November.
4. Parents in addition to children are responding to the gospel almost every week.
5. God continues to open doors for us to serve in the community. Several managers of apartments nearby have given us favor.

## HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Pray. Participate. Provide. Partner.

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Volunteers: We need people who are willing to help us serve children and families in the community.

Meals: We prepare food for at least 50 people every week. Sponsor a meal and help us feed families in need.

Prizes for Kids (ages 4-12): Children compete in games to earn prizes. Purchase a prize and pray for the child who will receive the gift.

Snacks for Kids: Kids earn snacks for good behavior. Sponsor a weekly snack.

General Ministry & Benevolence: General ministry is operational expenses. Benevolence goes specifically to meet needs in our community (i.e. utility assistance, food, etc.)

## HOW CAN YOU PRAY?

1. **Fall Series**. We're excited to soon start our fall series. Pray for every child, man, and woman that we will serve. Pray every provision is made that is necessary for us to run our program.
2. **Sidewalk Thanksgiving**. Pray God continues to provide what we need to pull off this event. We for sure need volunteers. We'll be sending out a specific date soon.
3. **Fall Field Trips**. We aspire to do several "mini trips" with children this fall. Trips that would allow us to engage more personally with the children and parents while we simultaneously leading them to Jesus.
4. **Our Team**. We need volunteers. Not only for our regular program but for us to expand into other apartments.