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NEWSLETTER

Sidewalk Sunday School



The Mission of Christ

In addition to our primary site, we've been serving children and families at another apartment complex nearby. There's not a single person I've met yet who speaks English. Recently five children from the community attended our Sunday School program.

Not even one of them spoke English. As someone who doesn't speak Spanish this can be discouraging. Nevertheless, we show up every week, we teach our lesson, and we trust the Lord. The Bible says in Isaiah 55:11 God's Word will not return void, and it will accomplish what He purposes.

Where I see a void (the language barrier) God sees an opportunity. Every week God sends exactly who and what we need to accomplish the work He's sent us out to do. One of our volunteers, fluent in Spanish, sat with those five children that day translating the message.

By the grace of God, at the end of the lesson, all five of those precious children raised their hands in response to the Gospel. Every one of them confessed their sin and entered into a relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. Joy filled my heart. As I was discouraged God encouraged me.

Jesus in one statement summed up the purpose of His entire life and ministry. Miracles took place, people were healed, demons were cast out, and sermons were preached. These were wonderful things, but nothing mattered more than one thing. Seeing lost people saved.

Jesus came to earth on a mission to seek lost sinners. He came to save them from death. Not a physical death but a spiritual death. Sinners couldn't be saved from the condemnation of sin without the Son's intervention. Jesus came to intervene in order that all people had opportunity to be saved.

Jesus took upon Himself the sin of the world and died the death we deserved. The wrath of God would be fulfilled and through Jesus we have been rescued and redeemed. Jesus mission was a rescue operation that was complete when He rose from the dead defeating death, sin, and the devil.

The mission of Christ was to seek and to save the lost. This was the purpose of His entire life and ministry. One person saved mattered more to Jesus than thousands of people who heard Him preach. Heaven rejoices when even one sinner repents and turns to God. How beautiful it is that we get to share in Christ's mission through the Church.

Seeing those five children raise their hands in response to the Gospel made every minute of what we do worthwhile. God used this to remind me that regardless of whatever barriers or obstacles are before us we must continue to persevere. We must continue to show up and lead as many children to Jesus in the community as we can.

Pastor Nick

MEMORIZE IT

"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."
Luke 19:10



SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

- 7/5: Wordless Book (The Blood of Jesus)
 7/12: Commit Yourself Fully to God
 7/19: God Needs You to Change the World

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 7/26: Summer Camp at Gospel Lakes Ranch!
 7/26: Summer Series Ends

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

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| 7/2: Aylin | 7/23: Luis |
| 7/3: Roxanne | 7/29: Violet |
| 7/6: Kendall | 7/31: Hailey |
| 7/7: Joanna | 8/1: Samantha |
| 7/7: Samuel | 8/3: Kelvin |
| 7/8: Daisy | 8/8: Brianni |
| 7/11: Emerson | 8/10: Jayla |
| 7/13: Sammy | 8/12: Kenneth |
| 7/18: Sophia | 8/20: Jimmy |
| 7/20: Ezalayah | 8/28: Ariel |
| 7/20: Aaliyah | |

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



PRAISE REPORT

1. Summer Camp has been fully funded! Not only has it been funded but we've received enough support to provide every person coming to camp with Bibles.
2. Registration for camp is already full. We have over 50 parents and children signed up who will hear the Gospel.
3. Several children at our new site, Oak Pointe Apartments, have responded to the Gospel.
4. Some of the new children at Pecan Place Apartments, who never came to our program, are coming regularly. Not only are they coming but they are already in the front helping us lead worship.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Pray. Participate. Provide. Partner.

Scan me!



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. **Summer Camp.** Pray for every child and parent coming to camp this year. We're believing households and communities will be changed as a result of what God does in the heart of each person attending.
2. **Transportation.** We aspire to obtain a 15-passenger van or mini-bus.
3. **Sidewalk Thanksgiving.** Fall is soon approaching. We'd love to host a community Thanksgiving event at the apartments, but God knows what this requires for us to pull it off. Pray for provision.
4. **Fall Programming.** Pray for discernment for our team as we prepare for our fall programming, our lessons, and which apartment(s) to serve.