



# Remembering all the good *COC IN OCTOBER...*



## A WORD FROM STEVE IOVINO, BOARD PRESIDENT

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." 1 Thess. 5:16-18

"I recently read an article by AARP on memory health, then I remembered I was old enough to get the AARP magazine. That same night I watched a movie and the actor was losing his memory but somehow was able to still recall that he was a superhero. I thought about all of the C.O.C. memories: from volunteering, bus driver, director, board member, there have been so many constants. I remember all of the kids: so many hearing about the Lord. Just as strong a memory are all the people that have given, some since day one, with Mr. John, all of the volunteers that sacrificed their time.

I also remembered a particular volunteer pulling me aside and saying, 'Steve, this bring back memories.' She



continued to recall how she was raised by step parents who had sent her on a bus ministry. She said, 'I don't know where I would be without that bus ministry.'

I bump into a lot of former C.O.C. kids in this area, most at their jobs, and they say, 'Mr. Steve, I don't know where I would be without C.O.C. teaching me about Jesus. Tell Mr. John and Ms. Brenda, hello'. The kids remember the people that cared about them.

Please remember C.O.C. during Christmas! We have had some challenges. A broken printer, the transmission in the van: a \$4000 car in service bill due. Teaching the love of Christ is free, but unfortunately food and gas isn't.

We may forget things from time to time but we may always remember our Lord Jesus! Remembering you all fondly..”

- Steve

**We really need your help more than ever to keep C.O.C. going. Please help us make many many more memories with these precious kids!**

*Contact Pastor Tim Marshick, C.O.C. director to find out how you can help today.*

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Brian Hawthorne making pancakes!