



RE-CHRIST

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Pray for the leaders as they begin the new programs at the apartments this year. Pray they will have love for the students and desire to tell them about Jesus.

Pray that the students will listen to the Good news of Jesus and not be distracted by the things of this world.

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Dear RE-CHRIST Supporters

Summer time is over, as far as students and school is concerned. For the rest of us, we still have several more weeks before we get a full break from the summer heat. Allow me to recap the month of June and July for you. I will begin with an amazing story of God's glory and power. There is a young man named Rushi who lives in our neighborhood. He is autistic and has a photographic memory. One day, early in summer, my family was at a neighborhood pool party and Rushi was there. I had not seen him since winter of last year, however, he recognized me from far away and wanted to talk about everything. He began to ask me many questions, some concerning Noah. Rushi wanted to know when Noah was born. I responded February 22, 2011. Rushi paused for three seconds, and then said, yes, that was a Tuesday. I immediately consulted my phone and what do you know, yep, it was a Tuesday. Amazing! God has blessed the world with people like Rushi to startle our imaginations and to marvel and the complete distinctions of human creation. Only a loving God could provide such mysteries is His likeness, amen!

The other cool thing which took place from Rushi and my conversation was it allowed me to have a long conversation with his Dad. Their family is native of India and that afternoon I was doing some evangelism surveys, to learn from my neighbors and look for ways to share the Gospel. One question on the survey asks, "What troubles your heart about the world in which we live?" Rushi's Dad responded, "Why do bad things happen to good people?" I had just been listening to Rushi's Dad describe his Hindu faith, so I asked him how his faith helped him to find the answer to his question. He said, "My faith does not provide an answer". I then asked if I could tell him what the Bible has to offer as a solution. He agreed, and I shared the Gospel with him. Rushi's Dad did not accept Jesus that day, but he clearly could see there was an answer to the question which troubled his soul from another worldview. Thank you God that your Word has an answer to all of life's questions. This is the promise in God's Word- that it will teach, correct, train and rebuke. It will guide and explain the meaning of our existence. Amen!

The month of June is called crazy month. It is the month the majority of people in vocational ministry host summer camps, host mission teams, or travel themselves to do other God centered task. It is also a great time of year to see student's hearts open and their minds less pre-occupied with school. During the first week of June several of our high school students went to the beach with

PRAYER REQUESTS

- 1) PRAY FOR THE FRIDAY MORNING PRAYER TIME WITH THE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. PRAY THAT IT WILL BRING MEANINGFUL COMMUNICATION WITH THE LORD AND EACH OTHER.**
- 2) PRAY FOR UNITY IN OUR FELLOWSHIP.**
- 3) PRAY FOR THE STUDENTS AS THEY BEGIN A NEW SCHOOL YEAR AND THE NEW AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM.**
- 4) PRAY FOR THE LORD'S WORK TO BE DONE, NOT OURS.**

“Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, "The LORD is my portion; therefore I will wait for him.”
Lamentations 3:22-24

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Peachtree Corners Baptist Church. Due to our travels at the end of May, I did not feel like I could attend the entire week with our students. However, God allowed my family and me the opportunity to travel for a day and a half to visit with the students. Our only night at camp we helped the kitchen crew. I loved watching Noah passing out desserts to students, and running back, saying “we need more Dad”. He was a little man on a mission. However, the richness was not found in the desserts that night, rather it was found in the blessing of witnessing one of our high school students, Liz, make a first time profession for Christ. Thank you Jesus for saving our souls.

The second week of June was spent helping our elementary students learn about Jesus at Vacation Bible School hosted by Peachtree Corners. Aracely, a rising fifth grader, made a profession of faith. We also had 8 of our middle school and high school students helping throughout the week (Rodney, Rebecca, Karen, Jesus, Maria, Adrian, Ernesto, and Gustavo). The older students served as teacher assistants, served snacks, and helped with recreational games. I think I saw more joy on the faces of the older students during this week, than at any other time throughout the year. They love serving and being useful. Adrian, a rising 10th grader, was asked to share his testimony with the students in his class. The younger students had so many questions for Adrian and were encouraged by his faith. Peer testimonies are powerful, amen! It brings great joy to me to witness these spiritual children growing in the Lord. Thank you God for the process of discipleship, one by which we grow spiritually and watch others grow spiritually as well.

After the VBS at the church we hosted a VBS at a local apartment community with the help of our friends at Peachtree Corners. For those students and families who could not get to the church, we brought the church to the people. I love to witness the love God pours out on the community as others serve the people we minister on a regular basis. Having others help serve the community always gives me a greater opportunity to revisit old relationships, or create new relationships; not to mention the many other new relationships that are forged with the community as new people serve. Thank you Lord for the Body of Christ whose sole purpose is to reflect the glory of our God, supporting one another, and bearing witness of the light to the world. A special thanks to Eyleen Barnes who has a heart to reach her community for Christ.

During the final week of June, crazy month, I took nine students to another summer camp. Camp Grace is specifically designed for urban partners, those working with students who could not afford the opportunity at summer camp. The reason I felt led to take the students to this camp was to provide them another opportunity to grow in the Lord. Attending Camp Grace required the students to get out of their comfort zone, meet, live with, and do activities with new people. At first the students were



nervous, but over the course of the week the students grew in more appreciation of the experience. One student, Maria, who struggled all week had an amazing God moment. She lost a personal, and special necklace, early in the week. She looked all over for it, but could not find it until the last day. Maria said, she felt the Lord speak to her on Friday morning. God said, today you will find your necklace on the ground. Sure enough, that's what happened. I just would like to add this camp has 100 acres of woodland, centered in the middle of the Georgia.

God knows our names. He knows the number of hairs on our head. He knows us better than we know ourselves. The best thing is, He loves us for who we are. Turn to Jesus!



Throughout the summer we have been prayer walking specific areas for the new work in Duluth. This has provided us many opportunities to share our faith with individuals. It has also caused Noah and me to be run away from two public places for "soliciting". I guess I will deal with the Lord upon judgement day when I confess I did not obey man's laws, but continued to share God's love with the people in my community. Our fishing for men has been fruitful, but we are still battling spiritual principalities as we look to watch God establish this new work. I would like to give praise for Kingdom minded people, like brother Yuri. I met Yuri at the Duluth Park one day this spring as we were both sharing our faith. Since then Yuri has been faithful to help us in our labor of the Gospel, and on two occasions has come to our Bible teaching to translate Spanish for families God has brought to us. Thank you Lord for those who labor and serve, all for you glory!



Closing out the summer. God moved in the hearts of four men as I preached the Gospel at Victory Home. These four men made first time decisions for the Lord. God gave my family and me a restful trip to the beach in the midst of our summer camps during the month of June. In July we gave one of our apartment missions a makeover for the fall with a fresh coat of paint and a deep cleaning. In just another couple of weeks we will have our after school programs up and running. Students of all ages, k-12th grade, will be being trained in God's Word. This fall, I will be spending time with the high school students teaching on the topic of prayer. We want to put into practice what we learn, so I will also be encouraging the high school students to meet with me once a week before school for prayer. My hope is that by doing this, God will begin to help the high school students develop a discipline for a Morning Prayer time with God. These young people are either spiritual infants or spiritual children. I want to help them learn to communicate with God and feed themselves. Then they will be prepared for future works of the Lord. Thank you all for you love and support. We cannot do this alone. To God be the glory through Christ Jesus, amen! Enjoy the summer photo collection.





