



# RE-CHRIST

## CONCEPTS 21

Pray for the kids as spring sets in that they will continue to have the desire to come to the program, hear the Bible lessons and get help with their homework.

Pray for our middle school students as we get back on track with their Tuesday/Thursday night program. Pray that they will continue to come and hear the word of the Lord.

### VALENCIA

Pray for the students to continue to come to the program.

Pray that the management team will see the need to give us an apartment to work out of (currently we have the program in the leasing office). Pray that we will have more volunteers to offer 4 days a week for the program.

Dear RE-CHRIST SUPPORTERS

Thank you so much for taking an interest in what we do. It is one of my biggest joys to send out updates knowing my Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, is glorified. I desire above all else for my life to be an arrow which points to the redeeming power of Jesus Christ. I had the privilege and honor to eat lunch with an old friend of mine last month and after our lunch through an email thank you he said this:

“I had a great time at lunch the other day as well. Although you have changed in SOOO many ways I (and everyone else) could always see the true Matt underneath all the B.S. That was the Matt with a great heart and a ton of potential. That is the Matt that you are choosing to be every day now and it is great... I am very thankful, happy and proud of you, man. I know you probably get tired of hearing me compare how you are now to how you were then but every time I see you the difference shocks me all over again and I feel the need to talk about it.”

Praise the Lord for His redeeming grace and Praise His holy name for never giving up on me! Thank you Jesus and thank you Wes for lunch and profound words that characterize my walk with the Lord!



RE-CHRIST MINISTRIES has had an explosive start to the year 2011. At the beginning of January I was blessed to take some men from my Sunday school class down to Atlanta for some good old street evangelism. Glory to God, we saw three people come to faith! I know some people have reservations about street evangelism, but I have done enough of it to know when the power of God moves in a life and grips it with His everlasting love. The three people were Kisha, Tony, and Anthony. Pray for their faithful walk in the Lord.

The very next week I was able to lead the father of two of our after school students to the Lord. He, James, had been visiting with our church for several weeks and after a worship service on

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- 1) PRAISE FOR OUR NEW VOLUNTEERS AND PRAY FOR OTHERS TO GET INVOLVED.
- 2) MOBILIZATION OF LOCAL CHURCHES AND RE-CHRIST MINISTRIES- PRAY FOR HEALTHY AND FRUITFUL RELATIONSHIPS.
- 3) PRAY FOR BLESSINGS ON THOSE WHO HAVE BLESSED US AND CONTINUE TO BLESS US.
- 4) GRACE WITH FOUNDATIONS THAT WE HAVE PETITIONED FOR FUTURE FUNDS.
- 5) CONTINUED RELATIONSHIP BUILDING WITH THE KIDS.

**“And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus”  
Philippians 4:19**

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Sunday morning he approached me about knowing the Lord. Since then we have been meeting every week to study the Bible, Genesis in particular, and he and his family

have joined the church. The week after James came to know the Lord, one of our middle school girls, Jessica, told us about how she had given her life to the Lord during a Wednesday night service. Jessica is a bright young girl with a rebellious side that she has been holding back, but so many people have been praying for her that finally she has seen the light in Jesus Christ. She continues to ask questions about living a godly life. Please pray for her to continue to grow in the Lord. Praise God!

Moving into February, RE-CHRIST MINISTRIES celebrated its third annual fundraiser dinner with Simpsonwood United Methodist Church. Thank you all you supported this event. This year's theme was centered around Valentines, basically because it was held on Valentines weekend. We had a full service dinner theater, served an Italian meal, and highlighted the ministry successes. Thank you to all who served during the event. It was amazing to see the body of Christ transformed as waiters/waitresses, cooks, dishwashers, hostesses, and an MC all for the glory of God and benefit of RE-CHRIST MINISTRIES. Several people put their heart into this event and I pray the Lord return to them 100 fold in heaven for their efforts on earth.

Oops! I almost forgot about our Super Bowl Party with the middle school kids. The Wednesday morning before the Super Bowl, during my quiet time, God prompted me to ask the middle school kids over to the house for a Super Bowl Party. It was fun having the kids out to our house. They enjoyed lying around on the couch, being loud, and eating too much food. It was also a blessing to teach them how to cook and build up their confidence through getting them to help serve and set-up for the party. I am thankful God nudged me to do this and to have a fun and enjoyable time outside of church and the after school program. Praise the Lord for building relationships.

The week after our fundraiser dinner we were back on the beat with our door-to-door evangelism efforts. Once again I led a group of men from my Sunday school class into the Valencia apartments to knock on some doors and share the love of Jesus. It was a beautiful afternoon, but unfortunately we did not see any souls surrender their life over to the Lord Jesus. However, I am blessed to know that God does not require me, or any other Christian, to be a soul winner. He only calls me to be a seed



sower. That afternoon over 30 people heard the Gospel message. For this, I can rejoice knowing God was pleased with me and the others for sharing our faith.

I will conclude the last two months with two more praises. One is that another family, the Simon family, from the Corners apartments began coming to the church. We have ministered to this entire family via ESL and the after school program for the past couple of years. God has shown up in the oldest child's life in mighty ways. One afternoon as I visited with them they said they would like to start coming to church. I was so very blessed to hear their decision and frankly I was surprised. Nevertheless, I am grateful for their personal choice to learn about God and grow as a family. It has taken us nearly 5 years to begin to see families plugged into local churches through our ministry, but it has always been a goal and priority of ours to see this fruit. Praise God!

The last praise is that of the birth of our son Noah. He was born February 22, 2011 at 8:15 pm. He is such a joy and Ashley and I could not be more excited than to spend time with him, loving on him, teaching him about his Creator and watching him grow in the Lord. For right now I will settle for Noah not having the hiccups after every meal. He eats too fast like his daddy. Keep praying for us as we continue to be about God's will.



We love you all, in Jesus name.

Matt & Ashley Johns

Please enjoy pictures from our Superbowl Party, Fundraiser Dinner and our son, Noah!

