



RE-CHRIST

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Continue to pray for the students that they understand the Bible lessons each day. We have several Kindergarten students who do not speak a lot of English. Let the Words of the Lord seep into their hearts.

Pray for our 8 middle school students as we go through The Purpose Driven Life. Pray they will understand the Lord has a purpose for them!

YDC NEWS

Continue to pray for the residence that they will hear the Word of God and understand that the Lord loves them and wants to bless them. Pray that spiritual leaders will rise up within the units and that they will show the other residence the true way to live and have peace.

Dear RE-CHRIST SUPPORTERS

Praise the Lord! I want to start by telling you a testimony of a young girl from the YDC. I will call her Eden. For a few months now Eden has attended our Saturday morning worship services at the Youth Detention Center. Eden is a young lady who has been hurt numerous times in her life and lacks trust in almost anyone. She reveres herself with confidence even when she makes the wrong decision. She has placed spiritual walls of bitterness, resentment, and anger between her and God and others. Eden is the type of child that would not blink if she did not desire to do so. Eden is a very strong willed child but is seeking understanding and truth.

Last week at the YDC this strong willed child made the most confident and best decision she has ever made; Eden gave her life to Christ. The pastor who was preaching gave a bold altar call for anyone who wanted to accept Christ to come and stand beside him at the end of the service. Eden was the first one to respond. Several other kids came as well but to watch Eden immediately respond to God and be willing make a public testimony for the Lord before her peers was amazing.

It was as if she was reliving the biblical account the pastor had just taught. The pastor, Joe Lewis, spoke on a passage from Mark 10 where a blind man received his sight. This particular blind man would sit on the side of the street every day and beg for money, but this day he knew Jesus was coming to town and when Jesus came near him the blind man cried out, "Son of David, Son of David!" The crowd tried to quiet the blind man but Jesus instructed the very people who were trying to quiet him to go and bring him to Jesus. As the man stood to his feet to be led over to the Christ (Son of David) the blind man threw down his cloak. The blind man's cloak represented everything that he was before he met Jesus. The blind man was dependent upon his cloak for it was his cloak in which he collected his begging money every day. By throwing aside his cloak the blind man said I completely trust in you Jesus for my salvation and my new way of living. Jesus immediately restored the blind man's sight and he began to follow Jesus. Join us in prayer that Eden and all the other youth who gave their life to Christ this past weekend will walk in newness of life as the story of the blind man.

Isn't it awesome to begin a newsletter with a precious praise report of a changed life? God is moving and He is calling on those hearts that are ready to accept him as Savior and Lord. The after school programs are flourishing, yet many of our students are under spiritual attack. Both Ashley and my heart have been broken as of late as we have watched Satan come and steal young innocent lives from our flock. These children are too young

PRAYER REQUESTS

- 1) PRAY FOR LABORERS TO BE SENT INTO THE HARVEST FIELD.
- 2) PRAY FOR ESL STUDENTS
- 3) PRAY FOR ALL OF OUR AFTER SCHOOL STUDENTS (THEY ARE UNDER ATTACK)
- 4) PRAY FOR ASHLEY AND MY SCHEDULE
- 5) PRAY FOR OTHERS WHO WILL PRAYER WALK WITH US.
- 6) PRAY FOR NEW CONNECTIONS WITH THE BODY OF CHRIST.
- 7) PRAY FOR US AS OUR FAMILY CONTINUES TO GROW! AND ASHLEY FOR THE LIFE GROWING INSIDE HER.

Pray for effective networking with local area churches

Pray for planning of West Africa trip Nov 6-18th (Matt, Dennis & Jay)

Pray God supply all of our resources according to His glory and riches

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and immature in their faith to fully understand what is happening to them but we see a spiritual war raging in their hearts and minds. We know our God is in control and we believe God is also teaching us more about the power of prayer as He has called us to a deeper sense of intercession for these youth and their families. Please pray against the devil and his attacks on the Corners Apartments. Also many of the boys are struggling with pride and violence issues. Almost all of the neighborhood boys are convinced they need to fight to prove themselves worthy among their peers. The violence as exploded and every week we are hearing about more and more fighting. Pray for God to teach them about true respect and love. Consequently we are having to make some tough disciplinarian decisions with some particular boys. Once again I realize this is all a part of God's plan for their lives and ours but your prayers and coveted. Thank you (FYI- we currently have 53 students).

Today began our opening class for ESL. Ashley just informed me she had 7 students this morning in the beginner class. This is two more than last year in regards to our beginner class. Tonight we will have our intermediate class. I praise the Lord for sending others to teach these classes for us. God has supplied the teachers so we believe He has the intention to supply all the students. Our local church has recently created an international Sunday school class and it is our hope that our English classes will be a conduit for growth in this class and our church. I love God's timing and how He moves pieces of the puzzle into place for His glory.

Tomorrow Ashley and I will be traveling to North Georgia to lead our Sunday school class on a marriage retreat. Please pray for our fellowship and martial growth. Pray that God would change us all to be more like Him so that our marriages thrive and that our children flourish with godliness for generations to come. The remainder of this year will be extremely busy for Ashley and me. Praise the Lord we will be able to take a vacation by ourselves, our first since we have been married, and have some alone time before the baby arrives early next year. Please pray for our volunteer staff as we prepare to leave things in their hands. Ask God to give them the confidence to rely on Him and not us.

Please prayer for more laborers to be sent into the harvest field. In early November I will be leading a small group of men to West Africa so your prayers for this trip are once again coveted. This mission team has been praying every Monday night for the past 4 months concerning our trip but please ask God to supply our remaining needs for this trip. Two weeks in Africa will once again put a strain on our ministry here but once again my God is big enough to handle everything. This I know because it is He who calls me to action, amen! Since you are getting this email in mid September I will not send out another newsletter until the end of October. Thank you all for your love and support.



If God moves in your heart to give financially to our ministry please feel free to do so. No amount is insufficient for God's purposes and every dollar is a blessing to us and the people we serve. All donations are tax deductible and you will receive confirmation of your donation shortly after we have received it. I do not normally for financial support via the newsletter, but as the year begins to come to a close it is important for us to be mindful of next year's budget and humbly ask. Seek, Knock, and Find the Bible says! If you feel so moved to give you can send your checks to:

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