



► ASK GOD TO BUILD A JUNIOR YOUTH CHALLENGE MINISTRY IN THE BROOKVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO FILL THE GAP BETWEEN GNC & CYIA.



► PRAY GOD WILL GIVE THE SUPPORT NEEDED TO EQUIP STRONG LEADERSHIP AT EACH GOOD NEWS CLUB



► ASK GOD TO HELP CEF DIGITAL MINISTRIES CATCH FIRE; BRINGING CHRIST TO A GENERATION OF UNREACHED CHILDREN ACROSS THE UNITED STATES.



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Prayer focus

INTERCEDING FOR THE NEEDS OF THIS MINISTRY.
POINTING CHILDREN TO AN ETERNAL FUTURE.

*Look carefully then how you walk,
not as unwise but as wise,
making the best use of the time,
because the days are evil.
Ephesians 5:15-16*

Opportunity of the Incarnation

"I be him?" What? Say it again, please. "I... BE... HIM!!!" the frustrated little voice whispered in my ear to keep from distracting the rest of the students.

This was the second week I had been "Masyn's" special friend at **Good News Club** and both weeks he had asked me to write the same thing at the top of his coloring sheet. "I be him."

I was as frustrated as Masyn. In his broken speech, this small boy was frantically trying to get me to understand. But alas I simply wrote the words without meaning.

On the third week, as we listened to the Bible lesson and the invitation to receive Christ was given, he took my face in his grubby little hand and asked me to write the same strange phrase. I wrote the words in green-blue crayon and continued to fill in the drawing on the weekly coloring sheet with the boy that had stolen my heart.

While we colored, one of the school teachers stopped and asked Masyn if he was being good. He shook his head affirmatively and pointed to his picture. She praised his artistry and said "Masyn, you listen to these nice ladies. They want to tell you about Jesus. That is the best thing you can

ever learn." She petted his mussed up hair and said "My mom used to tell me 'All you ever need is a smile on your face and Jesus in your heart.'"

At her words, he jerked his head up, frantically pointed to the words on the page, and repeated "I be him!"

All of a sudden, the words became clear! Masyn had been trying to tell me for weeks that he too had Jesus in his heart.

I quickly rewrote the words on his coloring page to reflect their true meaning. "I believe IN Him!" Oh, how my heart still thrills at the sound of those words.

Moments like those cement in my mind and will the purpose for which I have been called. Sharing the love of God and the Gift of Christ with these pint-sized people that they too may come to know and believe in Him.

Sadly, Masyn, like so many of the children we encounter in this ministry from week to week, is starting his young life with obstacles unimaginable to most of us. Satan and the world will exploit them, using **every opportunity** to draw him away from his beloved Savior.

Masyn needs our prayers. They ALL need our prayers... and so much more! They need the family of God to seize the gift of providential opportunity; to speak the life-bringing word to them and the rescuing prayer of intercession over them. This is how they will withstand a barrage of enemy attacks.

During my devotional time this week, I read a quote from A.W. Tozer that smacked me right in the face. "The foe of opportunity is preoccupation." Ouch!

The gift of God common to **every** believer is the abundance of opportunities He gives to share the love of Christ with others. This is never more true than as we prepare to celebrate His incarnation—a chance to proclaim great victory for all mankind. But during this rushed time of year, all the "activity" may lead to a serious waste of opportunity. Won't you pray with me that this year we will seize every moment? While there is still time, pray we will not allow one moment, spontaneous or elaborately planned, to pass without taking it captive for the glory of Christ and the sake of the kids.

Carpe diem!

Connie