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THE HEARTBEAT

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF LIFE SAVER MINISTRIES

Summer Opportunities

Summer has been off to an amazing start with 10 children already attending camp on scholarship through Life Savers Ministries and thanks to the generosity of our friends at Sacandaga Bible Conference. So far we have 35 children signed up to have amazing experiences by way of Christian summer camp in the weeks to come. We are hoping to add a few more to that total and we ask that you continue to pray for these children and their families, pray that nothing will get in the way of them attending and pray for the staff and volunteers who make this amazing, life-changing and eternity impacting opportunity available. It is so incredible to see the joy that these children exude when they find their way to camp, in some cases overcoming anxiety and trepidation over a new experience. I pray that these children will find exactly what they need and exactly Who they need at camp and that it will shape the rest of their lives.

So many of the young people we work with are coming from such dysfunction, such chaos, and we pray that we can be used to empower them to be the ones who break the cycle. So often their parents are struggling and while we work closely with mothers who are doing the very best they can, we know that the key to new beginnings and the promise of a legacy of beauty for these families, rests in the children, where there is so much power, so much potential, not unlike the power and potential that is in all of us as we are created in God's image and have no limits to the good that God can do in and through us when we surrender to Him.

I truly pray that in the weeks ahead many young people will come to know Christ as Savior, come to know him as their closest friend and since the Holy Spirit as being their constant companion.

Thank you for continuing to pray over and give toward this incredible effort as we have seen it grow over the years to be a very important part of what we do, all in the name of bringing life where it's needed, saying that each young person understands there profound value and truly being light bearers in an area of great darkness. To God be the glory for the great things He has done and continues to do!

-Abbey Ballard, Ministry Director

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CAMPERS....

Amyra Alanna Avery Aleia Ava Bella Brandon Brooke Carter Colton Corey David Dilan
Dominic Ethan Hayden Hunter Ian James Joey Jimmy Leah Jordan Lilly Luke Marley
Micheal Nyleen Ondrea Peyton Rose Savannah Tressa Veronica Yerial

Please pray for the staff and volunteers of Christian Summer Camps in the area as this is such an important ministry opportunity for so many lives to be impacted for eternity!

THE VAN WITH A PLAN HAS BEEN PUCHASED!!!!

THIS IS SUCH GREAT NEWS AS WE HAVE BEEN PRAYING FOR THIS VEHICLE AND SEEKING DONATIONS FOR IT SINCE LAST FALL; SO MANY OF YOU GAVE SO GENEROUSLY AND CONTINUED TO PRAY FERVENTLY. GOD HAS PROVIDED A PERFECT VAN FOR THE NEEDS WE HAVE HERE AT THE MINISTRY. AFTER A FEW PROMISING LEADS DID NOT COME TO FRUITION, IT IS CLEAR THAT GOD HAD THIS GREAT VAN AT A GRET PRICE IN MIND FOR US AND WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE HOW THIS CAN BE USED TO FURTHER HIS KINGDOM AND SERVE THE FAMILIES GOD HAS CALLED US TO. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BEING PART OF THIS WONDERFUL UPGRADE TO THE MINISTRY AND MAY GOD DO MORE THAN WE COULD EVER ASK OR IMAGINE WITH A VAN FOR HIS PLAN!



FOR A TIME SUCH AS THIS

Proclaiming life in a culture of death

Recent weeks have certainly brought with them a hyper focus on an issue that has been part of the cultural landscape in our country for over half a century. The overturning of Roe versus Wade is certainly an issue that has caused a variety of emotional responses across our land. As a family resource center that largely serves pregnant women and growing families, it has certainly been concerning to see such a level of hatred, anger, and violence levied against organizations that seek to serve the most vulnerable. Attacks including a fire bombing at a pregnancy center in Rochester seem to go unmentioned in mainstream news sources and organizations that openly threaten harm to those of us who proclaim life and are pro love at the core in loving mother, baby, and seeing the entire picture in the context of the abortion issue are certainly in the crosshairs at the moment. There are some unapologetically violent groups none of whom I would like to give too much time and attention to in our newsletter but I will bring your attention to one website, JanesRevenge.Org which will allow you to see the level of hatred that is being levied toward organizations who seek to provide alternatives to abortion. I would ask that you pray for our land, for our state, as we find ourselves in one of the most radical and reckless areas in regard to unfettered, on demand abortion through all 40 weeks.. I don't know what will come of this legislative shift, but it does appear as though states such as ours are doubling down on providing abortion on demand at any stage of pregnancy as is clearly made both evident and legal in the 2019 reproductive health care bill which also has some little-known caveat that are incredibly endangering to women.

We need to demand better. We need to be better.

While there's part of me that would love to be incredibly joyful and hopeful that we are seeing a cultural shift that will do more to uphold and revere human life, I am painfully aware that we have our work cut out for us as the societal scourges of fatherless homes, addiction and dysfunction laden families, children pouring into foster care due to abuse and neglect, none of which has been lessened or abated by legalized abortion, which was one of the staunch predictions of legalized abortion over half a century ago. We must be vigilant, we must continue to uphold life and we must speak above the noise with our actions as the hands and feet of Christ; I pray that the Church will respond well to these days and times we find ourselves in and dig deeper into being light and life bearers in a world that is increasingly laden with darkness, death and decay. May we serve our communities well and be all God created us to be as He is the Author of life itself and will be all we need as we navigate a world hell bent on destruction of humanity in so many ways. If ever there were a time to shine brightly, it's now and may we do that in a way that speaks volumes above the noise. May He be honored and glorified as His reflection is magnified in the crowning jewel of creation--human kind and may we be the kindest of humans to ever be found as we glorify our Lord and Savior in both word and deed.

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