



The Satellite

A junior high Sunday school class communication



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Merry Christmas!

My family and I wish you and yours the best this Christmas, with the presence of God at its center. Without His largest and greatest gift, His Son, we would have no real reason for hope or joy this season or any time in our life. I pray you have time during this often busy and stressful season to feel the peace that only remembering this most important birth can bring.

Come on ring those bells, and boy did we! I must say, the class worked very hard on this traditional part of the Sunday School Christmas program. Through lots of mutual patience, encouragement and PRAYER, I think we managed to minister for God through our melodies! I am so proud of all the kids for their hard work and perseverance. Way to go guys!



BIRTHDAYS! Happy Birthday this month to: Jesus Christ! Ironically this is the only birthday I have for our class this month. He certainly deserves the spot light huh?

What's been going on....

As we studied Joshua, he showed us just what obedience to God meant, down to the detail. As he and the people obeyed each part of God's instructions, they watched the walls of Jericho miraculously fall down. It was great motivation for us to obey, even when it seems the most un-normal thing to do.

Next we looked at Gideon and his need to see proof, time and time again, of God's presence in his life. He needed a tangible form of faith so badly that he set himself and his people apart from God through false worship of a thing, an ephod. We realized that we are similar sometimes, having faith in God during convenient times and at other times, following the lure of various false gods in our world. Best of all, we learned we don't need to test God or our faith. We simply must believe.

We again performed an in class drama entitled "I Want it Now!" which tied in our lesson on Saul and the consequences of his impatience when waiting on God. He jumped the gun and lost the opportunity to be king and more importantly risked his son's life by not thinking his actions through. What a great example for us on waiting for God's timing, not our own!

Finishing up the year... So far we have had an awesome time of learning, serving others and getting to know one another. We stuffed bags for the shut-ins with a small sweet treat and cozy pair of socks. The Carol Ministry delivered these goodies with their annual Pointsettias and we were happy to be a part of the blessing. This group of kids is awesome and God continues to teach us through his word and one another. I look forward to much more of the same!