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An Encouraging Word

A Huge THANK YOU to those who provided some things listed on our May "Office Wish List". We received a shredder, a locking file cabinet, and lots of snacks.

For various reasons and after much discussion, we are revamping our Back2School activities this year. We have been in contact with and will coordinate/cooperate with organizations, churches and schools. This will hopefully avoid duplication of services and assure that supplies are distributed more effectively. We will not be hosting a big event/fair at MAC like YFC has coordinated in years past.

At the Edge of the Spiritual World
(By Norman Kissinger)

In the early 70's, in Oregon and Missouri, I attended Good News Bible Clubs. They were often in people's backyards and living rooms. Neighborhood kids would be invited to come to hear Christian choruses, drink some Kool-Aid, eat some snacks, and hear the gospel message. Many young people were saved.

People may say that I was only there to get the snacks and play. They would be right. But I remember the songs and the missionary stories. I remember the older kids who helped. I thought they were adults but they were only in their teens. I am in my fifties but I remember them as if they were yesterday. They made a lifelong impression on me.

Taking over the Bible Club coordination for the last two months has been an awesome, humbling experience. Attending the Bible Clubs that meet in the schools brought me back to those days of the Good News Bible Club of my childhood. It was absolutely wonderful to go into the schools and see anywhere from 40 to 100 children in each Bible Club hearing the gospel message and learning more about the Bible. Some clubs (at least two) had attendance of over 100 every week. The smallest clubs are averaging at least 40. I can give a testimony of the miracle of watching hundreds of children hear the gospel that probably would not be exposed to God's word in any other setting. I am grateful for having had the opportunity to see how the Bible Clubs work.

Both the Good News Bible Clubs and the School Bible Clubs are on the spiritual edge of the world. They are ministries that reach out to where the unchurched and unsaved are in everyday life. They are examples of ministries that touch the border between the kingdom of light and the kingdom of darkness. Every ministry is important, but we should always be praying and looking for ministries that reach across the border of the kingdom of darkness and pull people into the kingdom of Heaven. May God bless all of you that support the clubs and may God bless the hard work of the volunteer workers. Pray for them as they stand at the edge of the world.

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