



*Merry Christmas*

*December 2018*

*An Encouraging  
Word*



### **God Has A Plan**

Kathy Burdin-Coordinator

This newsletter begins with a very personal story. The intent is not to provoke sadness or sympathy but to convey the importance of every child. Five years ago we lost a precious granddaughter. Serenity Hope was born 3 ½ months before her due date weighing only 1 ½ pounds and went to her heavenly home five months later. During those five months hundreds (possibly thousands) of lives were impacted. Our daughter and son-in-law had contact with people they would have never met had it not been for Serenity. They had many opportunities to share their faith during this storm. To name a few, they wrote a blog, they were able to witness to people at a major city hospital, and they were interviewed for a news story for Ronald McDonald House. In all this, although their hearts were breaking, they were able to point people to Christ. Because of the short life of a tiny little girl, many people heard (and are still hearing) about Jesus. I'm telling this story to emphasize the importance of every child, no matter the circumstances. God has a plan for each child and you never know what amazing things He has for the hundreds of children YFC impacts each week. Think of the magnitude of so many children with the potential to advance the Gospel if so many lives can be impacted by just one tiny girl who never left the hospital.

### **A New Beginning**

Kathy Burdin

Let me start by making sure everyone knows that Tim-YFC Executive Director and I are married. We will both be leaving YFC this month to pursue a new adventure. (That might start some rumors if you didn't know that we're married) We're excited for ourselves and for YFC as we believe God has big plans for both. We've seen His hand at work in all this and can't wait to see how things progress. I cannot express enough gratitude for those who have worked with us to move YFC forward. People are approaching us to be involved with YFC and we foresee the continuation of that. We will keep YFC in our prayers and ask that you do the same for us.

### **Thank You!**

Tim Burdin-Executive Director

I cannot say "thank you" enough to all who have supported me as executive director at YFC these past 2 years. In these two short years, God has allowed YFC to become a *regional* Great Commission organization and still growing. Because of great supporters and volunteers who want to see more youth reached with the Gospel message, God has allowed us to move forward. Although the Lord is clearly giving me a new Kingdom assignment in calling me to pastor a church again, I also believe He is raising up individuals to replace me and Kathy, in order to take YFC to even greater heights.

*Thank you to everyone who volunteers, prays and supports YFC*

Contact Information:

PO Box 765 - Farmington, MO 63640 (573) 747-1705

[tim@yfcparkland.org](mailto:tim@yfcparkland.org)

[katie@yfcparkland.org](mailto:katie@yfcparkland.org)

[Kathy@yfcparkland.org](mailto:Kathy@yfcparkland.org)