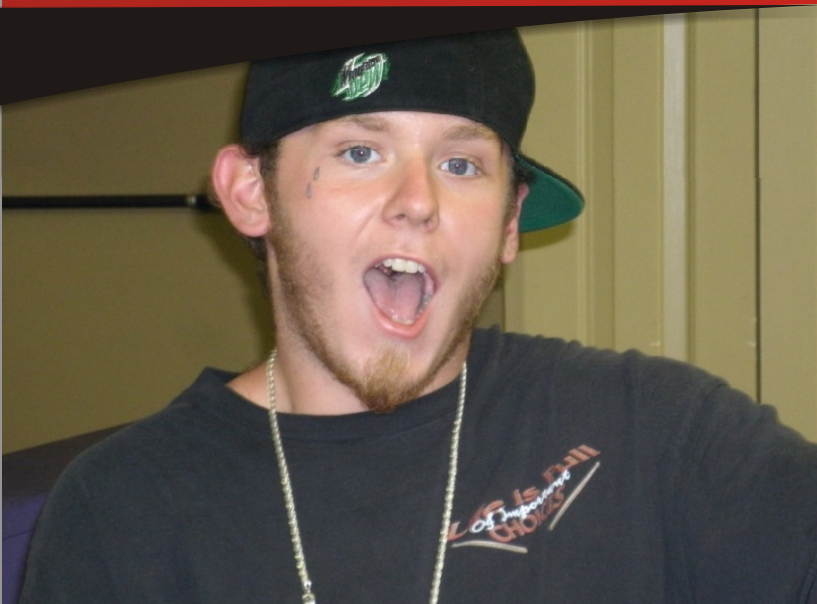




LIFE HURTS
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HEALS



Teens that are too old for the Garage are now attending an young adult gathering that is meeting in an open room in our office building.

Please pray for these young people as they continue to pursue a walk with Christ.

The Harvest Takes Time

Jesus likened spreading the Gospel to sowing seed and ultimately reaping a harvest. In his book "The Hole In The Gospel", Richard Sterns gives this commentary on the subject; *Think about all the things that must happen before there can be a good harvest of crops. First, someone has to go and prepare the land. This is back breaking work that involves felling trees, pulling massive stumps out of the ground, extracting rocks and boulders from the field, and moving them aside. But there's no harvest yet. Next the soil has to be broken up. The earth needs to be plowed, fertilizer churned in with the soil, and orderly rows tilled to prepare for the seed. Then the seeds must be carefully planted and covered. But still not harvest. Perhaps a fence needs to be build to protect the plants from animals that might devour them. And always, the seedlings must be carefully watered, nurtured, and fed over the long growing season. There are sometimes setbacks - bad weather, blights, floods, and insects - that can jeopardize the harvest. But if all of the hard work is done faithfully and with perseverance, and if God provides good seed and favorable weather, finally a glorious harvest is the result.* Our volunteers know this to be true. Often they work for years without seeing kids turn to Christ and experience the change only He can bring to their lives. But just as Jesus described, the harvest does come even though the workers are few and the work is hard. Here are two stories of volunteers from the Garage who put in the labor and after time saw a result.

Well, I took [teen girl] to church with me again on Sunday and she made a significant step in her walk with Christ! It is amazing to she the Holy Spirit working in her life. She is really feeling good! She told me at D-Group (our discipleship meeting) this week that the last six months have really made a good change in her life, and when I asked her how so, she said meeting with me and what she has learned has really made a difference. I can actually "see" her growing and changing, she is super amazing, and what a privilege it is to mentor her, she is extraordinary! Sometimes I am really tired by the work, but what GOD is doing with her is totally amazing, and that makes it all worth it.

- Linda Carter, Garage HS

A few weeks ago I ran into [teen boy]. I haven't seen him for a while. He was so excited to see me and said that he never forgot when I taught on "Breaking The Chain" one night at the Garage. He told me; *"What you said really got me thinking about the people I was hanging around and the stuff I was doing. I decided to get my life straight with God and I've never looked back."* It was three years ago that I gave that message. You just never know how long it will take for a kid to get it. I saw him again this past week. As he was leaving he threw his fist in the air and hollered "Jesus Rocks!" I can't even tell you how good that makes me feel.

- Matt Fister, Garage HS



Breaking the Chain, 2007

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The Grace of Giving

We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord, begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. (2 Corinthians 8: 1-5 ESV)

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Footprints

I was having a facebook® conversation with one of the girls about shoe sizes. "Did you know in Europe you and I would have a size 39 shoe?" I laughed and told her, "I am glad I live in the US because it makes my size 8 shoe feel pretty dainty." I couldn't help but laugh at the randomness of the conversation with this middle school aged girl and it provided a welcome break in my stressful work day. Then it hit me, I leave footprints everywhere I go. What kind of footprints am I leaving for the teens I work with to follow? Do my footprints even remotely look like those of Christ? Our silly conversation has become a simple reminder for me, that when I tie my shoes in the morning I need to walk in Christ's footprints. I had a slow motion flashback to when I was a kid, trying so hard to walk in my parents footprints but I had to jump and stretch because I was so small. Walking in our Heavenly Father's footprints is the same. And the devil is constantly trying to push us off the path. Even when it is hard it is to walk in Christ's footsteps and the strides stretch us, we need to push forward. As we do, we grow and...when we turn and look behind us there just may be a Garage kid following in our footprints!

- Kristin Opsincs, Garage MS

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NOV. 19TH**

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38 Shopping Days Until Christmas

Are we ready for another year of the holiday hustle and bustle? Maybe you would like to add some additional joy to your holiday by sponsoring one of our teens. Here's what one of last years' sponsors had to say.

God Blesses us with abundance and asks us to share; we are grateful to be apart of those who are obedient to share: money, time, energy, resources, prayer, servant hearts, hugs, and encouragement. God is creative with His Love and we want to be also. My family was blessed to give. The joy that comes with giving is something that cannot purchased from a one day sale at Macy's or anything and Black Friday shopping EVER has to offer. Also, no one can truly convey the feelings and truth and connectedness to the Giver of Life that comes from giving. It is something lived through obedience, faith and action. It is pure Joy to give to the kids of Wadsworth, Why? Simple, we all are kids of Wadsworth some how, some way...if we are honest with ourselves. We all have been given and received, we all are broken and in need of a Healer, a Father, a Perfect Love, an Encourage, a Protector...LOVE. I am Thankful for the kids of Garage for being who they are and for showing up :) - Kristina Opsincs & Family

We have teens from the Garage, LHGH, and Teen Moms who we would like to see "sponsored" for Christmas. Sponsorship is not just presents and our annual Christmas party, it can be a whole new relationship where you have the opportunity to develop a relationship and show Christ's love year round. If you would like more information about sponsoring a teen this year, please contact Lou Fister at lou@mattfister.com or 330-608-7622.



Sponsors and Teens, Christmas 2009



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