

Praise and Prayer Requests

- ◆ We have begun a GMA Bible Club ministry at our local church. New families have joined our church fellowship.
- ◆ Our church is being blessed with the need to begin a children's S.S., I have been asked to teach the older children.
- ◆ Beth has completely recovered from her triple-bypass surgery.
- ◆ Mr. Bob is scheduled to receive a right hip replacement on Dec. 11, 2019. Please, pray for a quick and complete recovery.
- ◆ Our GMA classes will begin again on January 13, 2020. We thank the Lord that He has provided quality helpers.
- ◆ Jonathan's family has planned a ten-day summer trip to Alaska. They graciously are taking Beth and me with them.
- ◆ The engine of our ministry van had to be replaced. The Lord has provided!!!
- ◆ Rebecca and Chris's seven children are home-educated and are active in church and in our county's 4-H Clubs. They enjoy being part of our GMA clubs.

Teens Teaching Children the Bible



Please, pray for GMA children's salvation.



Connecting With
Our Kids' World
While Affirming
Them With Vital
Christian Family
Values

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Investing in the Lives and Eternal
Destiny of Youth and Families



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Helping Children Cope with Divorce



Many GMA families face the challenge of divorce or separation. Whatever the causes of the separation, whatever the circumstances, it's hard on everyone.

Parents want the best for their children. They want stable, loving relationships in their lives. They want their children to thrive. So do we.

When a child acts out in class, seemingly for no reason, it is important that we all recognize the need to encourage that child.

A Child's Sad Day

"On Dad's last day at home, which I'll never forget, I felt very, very, very sad. I remember everything about it. Dad felt sad, too. He had to move to a different town and live with my Nana."

A Child's Brighter Day

"After one year, my dad moved closer to me and now lives in an apartment in the next town from me. The ride to his house is now only about 10 minutes away from me."

Children from a divorced family need to experience God's unconditional love and acceptance from the family of God.

TODAY'S YOUTHS' DEVELOPMENTAL CHALLENGES

Today's Challenges: Twenty-first-century youth are growing up at the speed of light. They are provided with oversized TVs, cell phones, computer monitors, video game players and unlimited digital information. **Some teens spend more than seven and a half hours a day - seven days a week - 53 hours a week--using media.** While cell phone technology has provided children opportunities to connect, learn and create, the cell phone is one of the many reasons that our nation's educational system and children's physical, social and moral health is in rapid decline.



Screen Time is a factor in children's obesity. Not only is most screen time sedentary, most of the food advertising is for high-calorie, low nutrient foods and beverages.

Cyberbullying has taken meanness to a new level. Bullying is linked to "bulli-cide," adolescent depression, isolation and school failure.

Drug and Alcohol Abuse Continues, and how to purchase drugs and hide drug use from parents and teachers has become an epidemic.

Grace Martial Arts Bible Clubs Provide Healthy Alternatives to Cyber-Addictions

Your faithful ministry partnership continues to be an exceeding great blessing from the Lord to all of our GMA students. You make it possible for us to be able to continue to invest in the lives and eternal destiny of youth and families. Serving as missionaries with Things To Come Mission since 1980, we have worked together with churches and other like-minded ministry partners to raise up life-long adult believers -- who lead by their godliness in lifestyle, devotion to the Word of God, and prayer and commitment for sharing Christ's love. Thousands of children and their families have been taught the Life-changing message of the completed work of Christ through the Gospel of the Grace of God.

Thank you for your ministry support of Grace Martial Arts Bible Clubs. For many children, you are helping to provide an healthy Spiritual, physical and relational life-giving alternative to Cyber-Addictions. In Christ's Redemptive Love & Grace, Bob & Beth Xavier



Blessings of Families Serving Together: We sincerely thank the Lord for your faithful, dedicated ministry as God's family serving together. When our children were young, they were dedicated GMA helpers. Now, as adults, our children continue to help instruct our GMA students. Rebecca and our son-in-law, Chris, have dedicated the past thirteen years to weekly serving the GMA ministry. Thank you Lord!