

HIS KIDS MINISTRY

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Dear Friends,

I believe more than ever, in this upside down world we live in, we must continue to spread the hope of Jesus. Yes, Jesus is the hope for everyone. We must continue to spread His everlasting unconditional love and forgiveness. We are losing too many precious lives to drug abuse. As everyone is aware, America has a heroin epidemic. Although heroin has been around for years, it has found new popularity among a diverse and increasingly younger group of users. All forms of heroin are addictive and carry a risk of overdose. According to the US Centers for Disease Control Prevention, heroin related overdoses have quadrupled over the last decade, leading to more than 10,000 deaths in 2014 and over 28,000 from opiate overdoses total.

Now in 2016, it's only gotten worse with fentanyl a powerful synthetic opiate being mixed or cut with heroin. The high potency of fentanyl greatly increases risk of overdoses.

My wife, Susan, and I have attended far too many funerals involving tragic deaths of young people due to drug overdoses. When you hear the eulogies of how talented and loving these young people were and how much the family loved them, you realize we are all being affected by this heroin epidemic. You see, young people who start using drugs never think of the consequences or how powerful drug addiction will be or that they would die from these drugs.

My wife, Susan, and I know a man who has been fighting drug addiction for a good portion of his life. He has been in rehab program after program. He told Susan that he has a hard time believing in God, but one thing while in drug programs, he has noticed that people who have faith in God do better than the ones who do not believe in God. So, he sees the difference. Please keep this man in your prayers.

With all the media coverage making the public aware of this epidemic, we never hear about Jesus being the solution. As a believer, I'm here to tell you, Jesus is the answer for this opiate epidemic! Jesus is the one who restores lives and sets people free! "Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:32

"He has sent me to heal the brokenhearted. To proclaim liberty to the captives" "Luke 4:18 "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

I have had the privilege to speak with teenagers at church events. I usually bring a person in their 20's who has been addicted to drugs to give their testimony on how desperate their lives were and how Jesus delivered them from drugs and changed their lives. These testimonies open the hearts of these young people and then I am able to minister the love of Jesus to them and give an invitation to receive Jesus in their hearts. It has been such a blessing in my life to see the response of the teenagers. I believe we need to make a strong effort to address this drug issue in our churches, because we can tell our Christian youth of the One who can help them.

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HIS KIDS WEBSITE

His Kids Ministries website, hiskids.org, continues to reach people all over the world for Jesus. To date, His Kids is bringing the good news to 126 countries. Can't listen in daily to our music program, catch it 24/7 on His Kids Website.

RADIO OUTREACH

On January 5, 2016 His Kids Ministry celebrated our 25th year of broadcasting His Kids Ministries Music Outreach Radio Program. We invite you to listen to our broadcast Monday through Friday 5:00-5:30PM and Sunday mornings 8:00-8:30AM on WSMA (90.5FM).

WE NEED YOUR HELP

We ask that you will keep praying for His Kids Ministry on a daily basis as we realize prayer is the most powerful gift you can give to His Kids Ministry. Also, we ask that you would please pray about supporting His Kids Ministry financially. Please take a moment to ask God if He is calling you to support this work. You can send your tax deductible gift to His Kids Ministry, PO Box 1061, W. Hanover, MA 02339. May our Lord richly bless you and keep pressing on.

"I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus." Philippians 3:14

Yours in Christ,

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