

#### BECAUSE EVERY CHILD MATTERS TO JESUS

Kid's Bible Clubs Ministries, Inc.

...We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD, His power, and the wonders He has done. Psalm 78:4

# KID'S BIBLE CLUBS 2019

We pray the onset of 2020 finds you all in good health and at peace with God. The Lord has seen us through many exciting ventures in 2019. Because of your gracious generosity in prayer and giving of time and treasure, we saw over 250 kids walk through our doors at our weekly gathering. We transported and provided lunches for 100 to attend a week of VBS at First Baptist Canton and sponsored 52 to a top-notch week of Christian camp at Camp Grace. The ministry purchased a much needed used air-conditioned bus and broke out a new middle school boys group at our Tuesday night program. Over 30 made decisions to turn to Christ and we were blessed to baptize 7. Because 2019 was our 20th year, we would like to thank you for every prayer that has been lifted on our behalf, every minute you have labored in service and every penny given over the years. We exist to help children by providing a foundation to support them to begin life with Jesus. Some move gradually while others zoom forward! In these next few pages, you will see and hear from a few who have benefited, sharing how they have been blessed by what you have sown.



## A KBC LEADER MINUTE WITH REV. RICHARD REESE

Hi folks! My name is Richard Reese and I have been with Kids Bible Clubs for about 20 years. I have seen a lot of kids come and go but not one who wasn't a good kid and just needed Jesus in their life. It's interesting that so many never

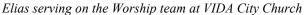
really leave Kid's Bible Club. If they do, they always come back because of the good relationships they experienced here and for a lot of other reasons. Some of them return to have me officiate their wedding, attend a graduation, go to a baby shower and, unfortunately, sometimes to perform a funeral. And others don't leave at all and become leaders and teachers. Whatever reason, it is because the love of Jesus that they have inside them. What a great experience I've encountered knowing and loving the kids and their families. I am humbled and honored in this season of my life that God chose me for this purpose and I praise the Lord for KBC. God bless you all.!



#### WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Dear Sponsors, Hello, my name is Elias Rodriguez. I attended KBC from ages 5-13. Being able to attend KBC has made a huge impact to me in so many ways. From when I was a child Mrs. Marie and her incredible group of volunteers took me in and showed me nothing but love. Going into my preteens and teen years, I was given the opportunity to volunteer and serve the Lord through KBC. I currently am a worship leader for my church, VIDA City Church, and I can say a big part of my heart for worship grew in my early days with KBC. KBC helped me develop into the man I have become and I will always give





thanks to God for putting such an amazing program full of radical Jesus lovers in my life. I would also like to thank you, the amazing people that consistently pray and support

Elias (on right) at KBC in 2004

KBC. I will always carry you all in my heart. With all my gratitude, Elias Rodriguez

I have been in Kids Bible Club since I was a little girl. Growing up, I would not only move on to age appropriate teachings, but I had the privilege and honor to be able to be a volunteer. I was able to volunteer as a bus helper, pre-school helper and as I became an adult... I was placed with the youth girls. I was able to help/teach these girls the right path to Jesus. The right path to true love. KBC not only taught the great word... they LED me to the right path to Jesus and his love. Every Tuesday was a new teaching and every Tuesday we had new faces. We had new disciples of God! I absolutely love that no matter what age you are, even as a volunteer... God was there to change our lives. God was there to make sure we were the light for these kids/ youth. As I grew up with KBC, I witnessed the miracles and blessings of God in that very place. I grew up with lifelong friendships that to this day I give glory and thanks to God for letting me grow up with such great, amazing people. God is all around us and his love is everlasting. I will always remember that when I first entered the youth group when I came of age they had us



Leslie & husband Matt are expecting a daughter this year!

memorize John 3:16. When I learned that verse... I felt His love and I have never stopped feeling God's love. That is the verse I go by every day of my life. That verse means love and that is what I do everyday. I try very hard to make sure everyone can feel loved cause lesus



Leslie at KBC, Easter 2006

loves us all and gave his life for us... for love. With the man God placed in my life to have and to hold, we will one day give our little girl the chance and experience I had at KBC. Miss. Marie and other amazing strong women were an impact in my spiritual life and I know my kids will love them and Jesus just as much or hopefully more than me. Thank you KBC. Thank you for being there for me, thank you lesus for letting KBC be a part of my life, as I know just like me, you have a plan for everyone there. Leslie Deweese

### IMPACTING FAMILIES



My children started going to Kid Bible Club when they were preschoolers. They always looked forward to going and riding the church bus. Kid's Bible Club is an opportunity for all children to come together for a weekday of fun and exciting adventure, as they learn of God's great love for them. I was happy to learn of Kids Bible Club (KBC) because it is a great opportunity for children to meet new friends, get involved in church activities and help with the community. My children enjoyed learning through singing, prayer crafts and fellowship. Everyone at KBC is so nice and loving. I've met lifelong friends and we



have all grown to be a family. One of the things I love most about KBC is the youth involvement. My children looked forward to going to summer camp and the happy birthday Jesus activities and all the opportunities for spiritual growth. My children and I are so thankful for Kids Bible Club and the opportunities they offer. With Blessings, Ihesha Harvey.

Hello, my name is Patricia, my family and I arrived in the United States in 1999, without knowing this country, its culture, customs and so many things that my sons and I had to face. I will not deny that it had been a difficult process of transition in our lives; especially in mine. Leaving my parents, brothers and beloved family in my country of birth. I thank God for allowing me to meet wonderful people that are full of love for others and putting them in our path. Kids Bible Club was and is such a place that shows the love of God and has been reflected in the life of each one of those who have served for so long in this ministry. Thanks to all who make it possible for Bible Club to continue their work towards our children since the teaching they provide will never be forgotten. Elias and David have been a part of the KBC before they started regular school and learned many amazing things from the teachers in their lives at KBC. They have grown up to love and God with all their hearts and to be Godly men, which I am thankful for everyday and it was all with the help of the KBC community.



My name is Aaron Paddock and I have been volunteering at KBC for about I I years. In the early years of KBC, my wife and I were living in the same community where KBC was ministering. We had a young daughter named Mckenna and we heard about this Bible club for children and began to let our daughter attend their weekly gatherings. There were songs and Bible lessons and dedicated volunteers spending time with the children and my daughter loved going. She was even able to take karate lessons free of charge weekly through one of the Bible club volunteers. A couple years later, we moved and KBC moved and we lost contact with the ministry. Years later, my wife ran into the director of the KBC ministry, Ms. Marie. By now our family had grown and we had four children. My wife mentioned that at the time I was leading worship for my church body and Ms. Marie invited us to come volunteer. At first I came to play music for the kids with some of my musician friends. Later, my wife and I began to minister in the classrooms. Through the past I I years, my children and I have



been blessed to be a part of this ministry. Personally, I have had the opportunity to grow in my faith and walk with God through serving Him in my local community. I have been inspired by seeing how faithful He is and how He serves our local children through such an amazing group of dedicated volunteers. I have seen elementary age children grow in the grace and knowledge of God and become young adults that are now serving Him faithfully in this ministry and others. My three younger children still attend and over the years KBC has ministered to not only them but also to their friends and neighbors through their bus ministry, their Vacation Bible School outreach and their association with Camp Grace in the summer. They look forward to the "Happy Birthday Jesus" party every year and get excited about our weekly meetings. As a family, we are grateful for the opportunity to serve and see the goodness of the Lord and His amazing love expressed with purpose towards our local children through Kids Bible Club.

### MEET THE KIDS



Hi, my name is Ava Dyson. I come to KBC because it gives me an outlet where I can forget about my problems and learn about Jesus. I have learned that even though people have hurt me, I still need to forgive them. I've also learned to accept myself and love every part of myself. I have gotten a lot closer with Jesus since I came here. I used to think God and Jesus were wish granters. Now I know they do not do that. I have had long and emotional talks with them. They guide me and put me on the

right path in life. I know that they will love me no matter what. God is in my head whenever I make a good/bad decision. Thanks to KBC, I am the best version of myself. I've been saved and baptized here. This place is like a second home. Thanks to KBC, I have connected with so many people. I will always love this place.



My name is Elijah Harding. I have been coming to KBC for about 5 years. I started when I was 7. I come because I love it here and so I can be more connected with God. I've learned that no matter what, Jesus will be with you and that if you don't believe in Him then the people at KBC will help you believe in Him. It helps me in my life to be good and focus more instead of playing around. That's why KBC is the best church I could go to.

My name is Manuel Gonzalez and I started KBC at age 5 when I was in Kindergarten. Now, I am I3 and in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. KBC has helped me read better because of reading the Bible here. It also helps me get along better with my peers. I enjoy learning about Jesus. I love Camp Grace and the church.



Hey, I'm Phoebe Paddock and I am 12 years old. I've



been coming to KBC for as long as I could remember. Everyone at KBC is like a family to me and they are welcoming and very loving to all. Every Tuesday, I come and my love grows for Jesus. He's my Savior. Once I accepted Him into my heart, I took the next step forward and got baptized at KBC. In conclusion, I've enjoyed coming to KBC with my family and friends.

Kid's Bible Clubs is a non-profit Christian ministry dedicated to reaching atrisk youth in low income areas of our community with the Good News of
Jesus Christ. Since 1999, we have provided opportunities for kids to begin
their journey to know and grow in a relationship with their Creator. We
provide transportation for children to attend our weekly program. Each child
is given a Bible and we also connect them with numerous local churches,
events and Christian ministries that point them to the Savior. We are prayed
for and funded by generous Christians who want to be used by God to make
a difference in the lives of kids.

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**SUMMER CAMP!** If not for your sponsorship, most of our kids would not have a desperately needed opportunity to go to a Christian based camp where they can get away for a full week, free from distraction, and focus on their relationship with God. Camp Grace has been such a place for exactly that! The program itself and the way in which the gospel is presented is the best we've encountered. Several of our kids have been saved there! Each year, the kids go to one of 2 weeks,

depending on age, and are led by well-trained counselors. Two of our KBC leaders always accompany them, one of which this year was Cheryl Rohmer, who has



served at KBC since 2004. Here's a few things she said. "From the time we arrived to the last day was such an experience for myself as a KBC leader and was blessed to even bring my 2 grandsons with me. The experience could not have been more powerful. The kids left knowing they were children of God. Camp Grace is more than just a camp; it's a place to give and receive Jesus. I loved serving and can't wait to go back again in 2020. A song they sung at camp, "Who You Say I Am", resonated and became a KBC favorite among all the kids!

