

THE STOREY STORY

November 2013



PRAY FOR US

- Continue praying for follow-through on the part of several girls.
- Pray for our upcoming Christmas party! Pray that girls come and let us get to know them. (Read more below.)

SUPPORT UPDATE

Last month, I was at about 79% of my support goal for the year. This number hasn't shifted much in the past month, but admittedly, my focus has been elsewhere. Over the next two months, I'll focus on what I hope will be one final push. Let's pray that the Lord brings the rest in!



In early October, we visited some dear friends who live in Paris, KY. We visited the farm where Secretariat was bred, and Asher got to pet his first horse!

What a month this has been! We have been busy, busy, busy as we prepare for our biggest outreach month of the year: December. We've also had a ridiculous number of speaking engagements, and we had our first mission team come to receive training and go on outreach with us. It's been a great month.

DRY BONES

"Outreach was awesome tonight! I do believe some dry bones came alive!"

"It was an incredible time at outreach last night. It was such a blessing to me to experience God's power and his awesome love. We just sat back and watched God move!"

"Most. Epic. Outreach. Night. Ever."

Those, my friends, are Facebook posts made by team members after our Oct 25 outreach night. Admittedly, that last quote is mine, but I think it describes the evening well.

On Oct 25, we had a team from a church in Kansas City join us for training on the issues of trafficking and exploitation, and for outreach. That team and our faithful NightLight volunteers experienced God move in some big ways that night. We saw some incredible vulnerability and earnestness within the team before outreach. We had great worship and prayer. We had over a dozen conversations at the clubs. Old friends were excited to see us again, and we obtained phone numbers from 5 girls who wanted to connect more. 5! We prayed with 7 girls, and were able to pray with our favorite club owner twice. Twice! At one club, the team praying in cars felt burdened to pray for the men inside the club that night, and as we walked out the door of that club, we had one guy chase us down asking for prayer. He was in tears by the time we finished praying for him, and gave us his phone number for follow-up. What a night!

I think the reality is, our world is in need of a Savior, and it's hungry for Him.

Before leaving for outreach that night, we looked together at the story in Ezekiel of God bringing the dry bones to life. Within this story, God shows Ezekiel how he's going to restore His people. To show him, God commands Ezekiel to "prophesy" to dry bones in a valley. He tells Ezekiel to "prophesy to the breath." Essentially, God is instructing Ezekiel to be a mediator between Him and the bones (to "prophesy"), and to speak to the "breath," or spirit, of the bones.

Just as God instructed Ezekiel to speak life into the dry bones, our outreach team sought to speak life into the lives of the men and women we encountered that night. Each team member sought prayerfully to be a mediator between God and someone who may look so spiritually dead they appear beyond all hope. But like Ezekiel, we felt led to "prophesy" to their spirits. To speak life and love over them and to them. To trust that the



power of our Almighty God can bring life and health to even the driest of bones. And we were so blessed to see God begin to move, and to see a rustle of life begin returning to those bones. What a glorious night!

IT'S TIME FOR A CHRISTMAS PARTY!

On December 15, we're hosting a Christmas party for the girls from three of the clubs that we visit each month, and we are stoked. Our goal is to love on these girls and get to know them, and to build relationship that allows us to connect them with mentors who will pour the love and truth of Jesus into them. So here's what we have in store for them (and their kids!):

- Festive holiday snacks, music, and decor
- Santa and Mrs. Claus!
- Ornament-making stations
- Gingerbread house/cookie decorating stations
- Christmas bingo
- Pampering for the girls

We need your prayers for this party. Please pray:

- That the girls would come! (We're inviting about 60.)
- That the girls would have fun and feel cared for.
- That we would have opportunity to connect girls with mentors.

Please pray for us in the next few weeks!

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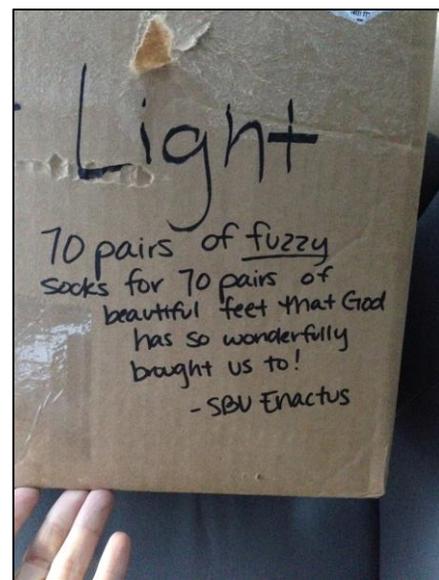
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Two small pieces of the 120 awesome Christmas gifts we're putting together for the girls this year.

(Left) Loufa donations from a partner church in Kennett, MO. They collected 218 loufas for us!

(Right) A box of 70 fuzzy socks to add to our Christmas gifts, compliments of a student group at a college near Springfield. The socks aren't nearly as moving as the message written on the side of the box.



THANK YOU

As always, I'm grateful for your interest, prayer support, and in many cases financial support for this ministry. You are my advocates, and I could not continue without you. Thank you for investing your energy and resources in the kingdom!