

# Children's & Youth Ministry Newsletter



## Sunday School

It's February! When February rolls around I get excited thinking about Valentine's Day and chocolate. If you would ask me to put those 2 items in order, based on excitement levels, I would have to say, chocolate then Valentine's Day.

More important than visions of chocolate just showing up in my office, Valentine's Day presents an awesome opportunity to teach about the greatest love of all. It gives the children's ministry team a time to reiterate what the Bible tells us about love—*Love is from God and God is Love.*

This year in the wonderful world of Sunday school, we are making Valentines to give to the Christian Radio Station, KGBI. They in turn distribute them to retirement and long term care facilities for the aged. I can testify from my experience of having had a parent in a nursing home, that these little paper pieces of love from kids bring smiles and joy.

*1 John 4:7 "Let us continue to love one another, for love comes from God. Anyone who loves a child is a child of God and knows God."*

## Kidz Church by Richard Zolnowski- "Unexpected Friday"

Have you ever wanted to have an unexpected Friday? Well let me tell you how to achieve this. T! LC Kidz Church on Saturday night is the springboard for an unexpected Friday. This is a ministry that pays you back in ways you could never have expected. What do I mean by this? My Monday started off with worries over a Tuesday medical appointment, Tuesday was filled with the wonderful stress of my medical appointment. Wednesday was back to work to find all of Monday's and Tuesday's work load waiting for me. By Thursday, I was almost caught up. On Friday the clock at work seemed to stop. Does this sound like your week, filled with stress and trials? Don't worry, the exciting part is coming. So there I was in Blockbuster getting a movie. I was ready to go home and veg. With no warning there came this giant voice. Everyone in the store stopped to look in my direction. A four year old girl filled the room with the words "Mr. Z." Before I could even react, she was giving me a hug. We had a two minute conversation and the miseries of my week were gone. To quote Anne of Green Gables, "words cannot express what I was feeling at that moment." If you want to have an unexpected Friday, come join us downstairs for Saturday night. You would be amazed at the impact you can have in the lives of T! LC kids. We love to have help passing out the colors, encouraging the kids with their singing, or assisting in games. The best part is, no teacher skills needed. Just a loving heart for T! LC's kids and a love for the Lord. You never know when you might have an unexpected Friday.

Sincerely, Mr. Z



## Vacation Bible School-June 25-29<sup>th</sup> Sonquest Rainforest

Have you ever dreamed of visiting a rainforest? Seeing a volcano? Touching a monkey? Join us this summer as we transform TLC into a vivid rainforest environment where children will meet Jesus through the teaching of 5 Parables. ***We need many adult helpers, so mark your calendars and please consider volunteering.***