

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another"

John 13:34

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Joel & Baily Easling | Spring 2021

#### From an Awana Club near you!

"We are currently getting around 70 kids every week. We also just had seven kids from our sparky group ask Jesus in the heart we have been blessed... GOD IS GOOD"

Mt. View Baptist Church | Centralia, WA



# **Outreach Highlights**

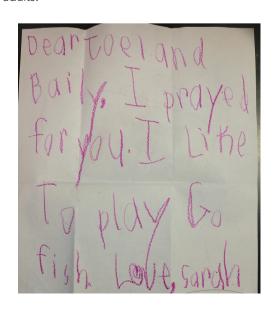
- Multiple clubs have reported salvations since the beginning of the calendar year. Praise God!
- We've been getting sparky letters weekly. It's hard to keep up with all of them. Such a blessing though.
- Grand Prix events were held. The gospel was shared. Many were blessed.
- Being able to travel and visit clubs has been a blessing as we get to observe and encourage resilient child discipleship.

What a joy to visit churches excelling in relational discipleship, to see faithful leaders sharing their faith in Jesus Christ with children! We've visited a number of area Awana clubs where students are growing and thriving. Being able to offer praise and encouragement to servant hearts is always a blessing.

#### **Field Updates**

Joel is part of a task force that is rebuilding and structuring Awana's Online Basic Training for new and existing clubs & Leaders. We are so stoked with the vision behind the rebuild and the quality resource it will be when completed and launched . (hopefully this summer).

Baily and I just returned from our local club's Awana Youth retreat where 16 teens dove into what John 13:34 (above) means in our daily walk. So thankful for what God is working these young adults.









#### **Praises:**

- For health and safety as we travel
- For the many salvations since even January this year.
- The renewed vision for Resilient Child Discipleship among clubs and churches

### **Ministry Goals**

- More connections to be made with clubs and churches as we seek to encourage them in doing the good work of Christ.
- More "equipping of the saints" as they continue to pour into the lives and hearts of our children and youth.

### **Prayer Requests:**

- The year end for many clubs is coming up. Pray for the ability to recognize their clubbers, the servant leaders and continued connection throughout the summer.
- Health and safety as we travel
- For clear wisdom and guidance as we continue building the Online Basic Training.

# From the Awana global headquarters

During this pandemic, many of our churches have demonstrated their resilience and dedication to child discipleship. Across the country and around the world, we've seen loving, caring adults step into the void left in the lives of kids by COVID-19. You are a part of this historic effort. Your support has allowed churches to keep reaching kids in communities near and far. Let's commit together, to keep running the race and finish this ministry year strong. For Christ. For kids. Forever.

Michael Handler | Chief Communications Officer



## Thank you for partnering with us in reaching children with the gospel of Jesus Christ!

