

## Water Fight Part One

There is no doubt about it kids like to have fun and like discipline they actively search it out. As Pastor Bill Wilson once said, "You can't put a thirty year old head on a ten year old body." In Christian education the more quickly one discovers this obvious principle the more quickly one will be able to effectively reach and train kids, after all that's what The Bible declares in Zechariah 8:5 " And the City will be filled with children playing in the streets."

So this was never as true as it was last week when we gave every kid that came to our Children's Activity Truck sites a free squirt gun. Along with the squirt guns we hauled about 200 gallons of water with us in our trucks to each of our now nine sites. After the message we prayed and set trash cans full of water in various areas of the parking lots. From there the kids loaded their guns up at the water stations and began shooting each other and had the time of their lives. Everywhere kids were running and the sounds of joyous laughter filled the air.

It was so wonderful to see so many kids having such a good time against the back drop of a bleak and dying city. The best way to describe it was "spontaneous joy" breaking out everywhere. Soon adults were joining in and having fun. Good clean fun that pleased God. And guess who got the wettest of the entire bunch. If you guessed Pastor Scott you're right. I had more fun than anybody.



The Children's Activity Center – Children's Activity Truck, part of Walking Faith Ministry, is a non-profit faith based organization dedicated to sharing the love of Jesus Christ to children and their families in Houston's crime and poverty ridden inner-city. We use a number of colorful fourteen foot storage trucks converted into a portable stages to bring weekly presentations of the gospel in skits, dramas, puppetry, and video right to the very doorstep of the children who so most desperately need it. Weekly visitations to the homes of attending children help us to share the life changing message of Jesus with the entire family and help the ministry to identify current needs both spiritual and physical that can be met in a timely fashion.

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## Train a Child

Most inner-city kids do not have an opportunity to be just what they are kids. The sad thing is that they are forced to become little adults and are sent to fend for themselves on the streets where their only roll models are prostitutes, pimps, drug dealers and gangs. All they can really do is copy examples they are given and after all isn't that what kids are suppose to do. Strange as it seems in reality some of the kids who have the worst behavior, language and character are in fact the best learners and achievers as they have successfully copied what they have been given and have simply out performed their peers. In the words of an old preacher friend of mine, **"They can't do any better if you don't know any better."**

So the directions of the Lord are clear, "To train up a child in the way he should go so when he is old he will not depart from it." It thoroughly amazes me the attitude I encounter on a regular basis that the inner-city is full of bad kids. The fact of the matter is that the inner-city is full of untrained kids who are desperately searching for someone to love them and train them in the way they should go. I have found kids crying out for love and discipline. In a prayer line recently a boy came up to me and said, **"I hate my parents I want to kill them."** When I asked him why his reply was, **"They don't care what I do or where I go, they don't love me."**

There you have it folks love is not words or intentions but actions expressed through care, sacrifice and faithfulness. The Bible says, "Suppose a believer who is rich enough to have all the necessities of life sees a fellow believer who is poor and does not have even basic needs. What if the rich believer does not help the poor one? Then it is clear that God's love is not in that person's heart. 1 John 3:17. Of course one of the **biggest necessities and basic needs for all children everywhere is training in righteousness which so few adults are willing to give to or commit to.** If we continue to ignore these kids

When generations of unloved and undisciplined kids grow to adulthood and then rip the very foundation of this nation apart as if that isn't the very thing that has happened already, then we will see our error and total lack of prioritized investment of our talents and resources. **We as a nation and people are totally blind as we know the price of everything and the value of nothing.**

Today is the cry of the midnight hour for the church and this nation. Children are this nation's most precious resource. In fact children are the very future of all that we will become and ever do. Our investment is to build a ministry, Lord willing, that will be planted in 42 areas in Houston's toughest neighborhoods for juvenile crime bringing hope, love and training in righteousness to the very doorsteps of the kids who so desperately need it ultimately reaching 20,000 kids, adults and teenagers on a weekly basis.

There are kids literally waiting on the street corners for someone to come to love and train them. I see and talk to them everyday of my life as I walk these city streets. The good news is they are out there available hungry and willing; the bad news is that they are opened to anybody that comes along. **In a sense we are in a race to get to them first before the world and the devil have an opportunity to thoroughly destroy them.** It's hard to understand the depth of spiritual wickedness in our City but it's there and wants to rob these children of their lives. One only has to go as far as local nightly news casts to find out about rape, molestation, kidnapping, abuse, abandonment, Amber Alerts just to name a few. Why should we sit idly by as the streets consume our precious children. Now is the time to act and get involved.

You can help us make this vision a reality by praying and sowing generously into this fertile ground. Every contribution you make will be used to put more missionaries into the inner-city and on the street corners where local churches have long been silent. We can't do it without your help. So let's work together to get the job

