



## RISE UP

When we look around at our world today, it's not hard to see the fingerprints of evil. Violence, confusion, and deception are everywhere. But the enemy's sharpest focus is not just on nations or politics—it's on the youth. Satan knows that if he can capture the hearts and minds of the next generation, he can influence the future of families, communities, and nations.

Every corner they turn—whether it's media, social platforms, or even their schools—youth are being indoctrinated with lies: lies about their identity, lies about truth, lies about what is good and what is evil. But Scripture reminds us that God's truth is the only firm foundation. As adults, mentors, and leaders, we cannot stand on the sidelines. We are called to engage, to speak life, and to direct youth toward the truth of Christ.

Think of Timothy in the Bible. Paul reminded him, “from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus” (2 Timothy 3:15). Timothy's life was shaped by faithful voices—his grandmother, his mother, and Paul—who refused to let the world define him. In the same way, our youth need voices of truth to counter the constant noise of deception.

Throughout history, when God's people failed to pass down His truth to the next generation, entire societies crumbled. In Judges 2:10, we read the sobering words: “Another generation grew up who neither knew the Lord nor what he had done for Israel.” That generation quickly turned to idols and wickedness, and the nation suffered. Today's battles may look different, but the strategy of the enemy is the same: silence truth, distort God's Word, and capture the hearts of the young.

We cannot afford to be silent. Whether through mentoring, teaching, volunteering, or simply listening, we must invest in the lives of youth. Each conversation, each prayer, each moment of guidance is an opportunity to plant seeds of truth that can withstand the storms of life.

Let us rise to the challenge. Let us stand firm in God's Word, live as examples of righteousness, and lead the next generation to the One who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

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# HIGHLIGHTS

- In September, we delved into the concept of the Good Samaritan, stressing the importance of taking action rather than merely observing or documenting others in need. We also discussed appropriate responses to perceived injustices, highlighting the importance of avoiding retaliation. We were fortunate to welcome new volunteers to our team!
- We've thoroughly enjoyed celebrating birthdays, ensuring that each child feels cherished and valued.



**HAPPY OCT BIRTHDAY**  
**Cece, Hailey, Dmo, Laylay,**  
**McKenzie, JaKyras, Jakayla**



**PRAYER:** Heavenly Father, we see the darkness and lies trying to capture the hearts of our youth. Give us courage to stand firm in Your truth and wisdom to guide them in the right direction. Protect their minds, guard their hearts, and fill them with the light of Christ. Use us as vessels of love and truth so the next generation will know You and walk in Your ways. In Jesus' name, Amen.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

- PRAYER FOR THE KIDS
- Volunteer at our monthly outreach meetings
- Pizza (10-12) donation for our 1st Sat. outreach
- Snack size chips & drinks for outings
- Financial donations

Our mission is to awaken the God-given potential in every young person, guiding them to discover their true identity in Christ and walk boldly in their divine purpose. We are committed to investing not just in moments, but in lasting relationships and life-changing experiences that reflect the heart of Jesus. Through mentorship, life skills training, and fitness activities, we walk alongside youth facing overwhelming challenges—poverty, violence, trafficking, abuse, neglect, and the absence of parental guidance.

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