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This Is How God Works

HOT SUMMER FUN

Dear Partners in Ministry,

This has been one of the hottest Southern California summers I can remember. I'm so thankful for air conditioning both at home and at church especially since I taught seventeen 4th and 5th graders at our annual church camp. I'm so glad I did.

I loved to see them come rushing into the classroom. Their faces showed such excitement and they had an eagerness to learn. My helping team had spent many hours cutting out the big bags that we hoped would be completed in 5 days. Each bag had 14 pieces that would "magically" be transformed into a work of art. I had made a colorful prototype and then instructed them how to connect the pieces step by step.

Before class started, we held hands and prayed. Big cardboard cutouts taped to a large board at the front showed them which was a back, side, or bottom. We started the assembly with the lining to get the hang of it. And of course there were mistakes. I even made some myself after studying the pattern and sewing one. I quickly learned which child was "over the top" performance oriented and became so upset with even a tiny mistake but I shared how we often learn better from those mistakes.

Through thread jammed machines and an occasional needle breaking, we persevered. As each day came, friendships formed and those who were ahead often helped the slower ones. One enthusiastic seamstress even said, "Now I can teach my mother to sew!"

The last day came and everyone finished. There was even time left over to create something from the scraps. We experienced 17 young girls learning how to use a sewing machine and complete a project in five 75-minute class periods. Wow. What joy! Thank you for praying.

Marti †††



Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord,
not for human masters. — Colossians 3:23



The FISHERS' AUGUST PRAYER REQUESTS and THANKSGIVINGS

Dale — “Please pray for my finalizing the graduation of the TLM pastors in Kenya who’ll graduate next month. Also pray for me to be a wise mentor with the two African men whom I’m discipling one on one; both are a part of our ministry to international students who come from local universities.”

Marti — “Pray for two Chinese Christians whom I’m discipling to grow strong in their walk with Jesus.”

Anna and David (and Miriam) — “Please pray for my energy level this pregnancy. I’m very tired (or maybe it’s just because I have a toddler?!). Also pray for Miriam to warm up to the idea of having a little sister; she’s not fond of babies just yet!

“Also please pray for our company to grow to where God wants us, as we’ve lost several big customers lately [from very far away], so pray for providence of new business that’s closer to us.” — Anna

Andrew and Liz — “Now that Liz is finished with her residency, please pray that we can find and buy a house. Pray for wisdom and discernment as we look.” — Both

Adah and Cory — “Praise God for the safe delivery of our baby girl, Grace Josephine! She arrived on July 12, weighing 7 lbs, 14 oz, 20.5 inches tall. Pray for her salvation, our adjustment to parenting, and upcoming travels.” — Both

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Dear friends: Thanks so much for your prayers. They’re a vital part of our ministry. Please let me know how we can be praying for you.

Lastly, when your address or other contact data change, email me, or Marti. Thanks.

Warmly in Christ,

Dale . . . for the Fishers ††† ••• Click to see [how you can support us](#).

When with expectancy we pray
According to God’s will,
We’ll see Him working in our lives
His purpose to fulfill. — David Sper