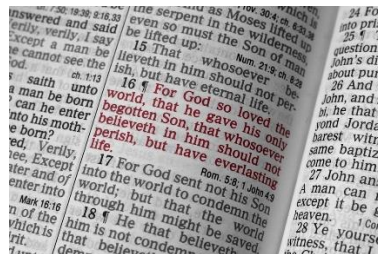




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We have had a wonderful year of Kids Club, but it has been a year like no other. Two-thirds of our students enrolled, speak only Spanish. God, our awesome provider, gave our team 5 Spanish speaking leaders this year—one for each grade level and one to handle check-in and check-out of students. This new situation has caused us to rethink, replan, and restructure Kids Club for the 2024-25 school year. We are excited to see how God is working in the lives of children new to our country, new to our school, and new to the idea of God, Jesus, and learning about the Bible. We look forward to an even greater impact we can have on our students next year with the new plans we will be implementing.

Please pray for the students who are learning ten memory verses and the New Testament Books of the Bible to finish strong. We have several second through fifth graders that are working hard to complete the challenge of learning all their verses. Verses they are committing to memory this year are as follows: John 3:16, Romans 3:23, Romans 6:23, Ephesians 2:8-9, I Corinthians 15:3-4, Acts 16:31, I John 1:9, Joshua 1:9, Colossians 3:17, Ephesians 4:31-32, and Luke 6:31. We have studied New Testament Bible lessons Matthew through Revelation this year and students are becoming familiar with who Jesus is and what He did for us on the cross as well as what we can look forward to in the future.

We will celebrate the year of Kids Club in April with a pizza party. Awards will be given for those with perfect attendance for the year, those who have successfully completed the Bible memory challenge, and those who are moving on to middle school. Ann and Noemi have done a wonderful job of counseling all students with the gospel. Please pray that our students will remember lessons taught, verses learned, and apply them in their everyday lives going forward.



Kids Club students are eagerly anticipating going to His Hill Ranch Camp this summer in Comfort, TX. We have had the privilege of sending students on scholarship to a week-long Bible camp for over twenty years. It is an amazing experience for these kiddos, many of whom shed tears when they leave. Please pray for life changing experiences in the lives of the students who attend in June this summer.

Some of our students go to camp, some go to summer school, some travel, and some are left alone to take care of themselves while their parents work. Please pray for safety, good nutrition, and positive home environments for these precious “little children” while they are on summer break June through the middle of August.



It's April and we are currently winding down the 2023-24 school year with Colonial Hills staff and students, but in the OWI office, we are gearing up for the 2024-25 school year. School supplies currently in the office have been inventoried, registration forms have been updated and printed, supply needs lists have been made, and donation needs are being made known. Please pray that all supplies needed will be given by individuals or finances will be provided to purchase items. Following is a list of donations we need to meet the needs of students and families with whom we minister for next fall.

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| Backpacks | Watercolors | Glue sticks | 4 oz. Elmer's glue |
| <u>150 count wide ruled</u> notebook paper | <u>70-page wide ruled</u> comp books | <u>10 ct. Crayola classic</u> <u>washable markers</u> | <u>Wide ruled</u> 70 sheet spiral notebooks |
| 9x12 construction paper | 3x3 post it notes various colors | 2 pocket folders <u>with brads</u> | <u>24 count Crayola</u> crayons |
| <u>12"</u> standard metric ruler | <u>7"</u> pointed Fiskars scissors | <u>12 count Crayola</u> colored pencils | <u>2"</u> Binders, no Trapper Keepers |
| 3x5 Ruled index cards | Sharpie markers | Thick highlighters | Black, blue, red pens |

Please contact Joyce Velasquez at 210-342-0440 or jvelasqueza55@gmail.com if you have any questions, would like to make donations for school supplies, or would like to schedule a supply drop off time. All supplies are needed no later than July 31, 2024.



Please keep Teen Time students in your prayers. They range in school grade levels from sophomores to seniors in high school. Their schedules are very busy. Pray that they will really see the need to spend time with God daily and deeply. Pray that they will make good choices with how they spend their time and what they do with their lives. They face many temptations. Wanting the best for them, we pray they will not sacrifice their futures for momentary gratification or other satisfactions. Please pray for their safety, wisdom, and desire to follow Jesus always. We look forward to taking them on a three-day retreat again this summer, spending time with them, and getting to know them on a deeper level.



Christmas in July? Absolutely!!! To keep up with our schedule of events, we always work at least six months in advance. Please consider helping us out. We have baskets, we have some gifts to fill the baskets, but we need lots more gift items. Each year we make up gift baskets so Kids Club students can choose a Gifts of Love gift basket to give to their families at Christmas. These baskets also hold a Bible and tract sharing the gospel as part of our outreach to the families. Perhaps you do spring cleaning. Perhaps you reorganize your closets in the summer. If you find new items you know you will never use which could become part of our gift baskets, please consider giving them to One Way International anytime of the year. Just email jcvelasquezsa55@gmail.com or give us a call (210-342-0440) and we can arrange a time for you to drop your gifts off at the office. Your donations mean the world to our students and families!

Suggested items to give for Gifts of Love gift baskets:

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| Men's or women's wallets | Men's or women's socks | Men's or women's gloves | Men's or women's colognes/toiletries |
| Lotions, soaps, etc. Bath and Body type | Fingernail polish, files, mirrors, combs | Make-up bags | Ladies' jewelry |
| Kitchen towels, hot mitts, utensils, etc. | Flashlights, small useful tools | Men's or women's winter beanie hats | Personal blankets |

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Pastor Stas and his wife Aia serve the Lord in Maximovca, Moldova. I had the privilege of teaching Stas in a seminary class in 1998. He went on to marry his “lovely in every sense of the word,” wife, Aia and they have three wonderful children. For many years we took teams to work with them in Moldova. One summer our younger daughter Krista, was baptized by Stas. We stay in close contact with Stas and Aia and continue to support their work in Moldova. Each summer OWI funds a summer camp for the whole village of Maximovca. Students from neighboring villages attend as well. God continues to bless the ministry of this family. Please pray for and consider helping fund this year’s camp. Students in this camp many times continue to attend meetings with Stas and Aia and then help with and lead the summer camps themselves when they are old enough to do so. By supporting this work in Moldova, One Way International continues to be truly international. We have already received \$1100 for this year’s camp and \$900 is still needed. If you would like to participate by giving financially, funds are needed by May 31 to send to Moldova for preparation for this summers’ camp.



Help One Way International welcome Alina Casutchina from Chisinau, Moldova to the States this summer. Alina was also a seminary student I had the pleasure of teaching. She has not been to the States since before Covid.

After her long absence we look forward to helping her meet with people who have been supporting her ministry for many years. She is a committed and sacrificial servant of the Lord!

She teaches English to Russian and Romanian speakers in Moldova, translates materials, interprets for English speakers, tutors students online from Moldova and other countries, and has been very effective at ministering to Ukrainian refugees.

Please be in prayer for Alina as she continues a busy spring/summer of ministry. Pray for her travels to the States for some rest and relaxation in August. We desire for her to have fellowship with friends and supporters, and a time for “hearing from the Lord” away from the daily busy-ness of ministry.



Thank you to all our donors for your continued support of this ministry and our ministry partners. In addition to our faithful monthly donors, seventeen donors have given \$7850.00 to our annual fundraiser, Champions fore Charity. We have met 78% of our goal with April 15th being the end of this year’s fundraiser opportunity. Thank you to everyone for giving online, by check, through Champions fore Charity or in any other way to keep this ministry strong and able to serve God. Your trust in the work we do and care about the people to whom we minister is a blessing and encouragement.



Please praise God for His sovereignty and wisdom.

Please thank God for the opportunities we have through One Way International to proclaim His Word.

Please pray for One Way International to continue to bring Glory and Honor to the Lord whom we serve.

Please pray for the students and families we serve to develop deep relationships with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Please pray for those suffering for their belief in the Lord Jesus both in the States and around the world.

Please pray for God’s guidance to follow Him in every ministry and outreach OWI undertakes.

We count our many blessings because of you!

Joyce Velasquez, Executive Director