

RIM: Remote Island Ministries

As is true around the world, RIM has had to think outside the box as they ministered to people on the edge the past two years. This has taken them most recently to Indonesia for a time, and has allowed family to join the ministry (Brent, Tammi, Hudson, and Mila Hopkins)!



The Hopkins family joining RIM

In early March, repairs were completed and the *Nativa* was back in the water. Everyone moved back onto the ship—the first time on the ship for the Hopkins family—and they set sail again! They spent two days in the village of Yenn Besir on Pulau Gamm (Gamm Island). One of the teachers at the school, Laura, was a big help. Laura speaks English and is a Christian. They also visited the island of Soop, where they prayed with the people, gave out Bahasa Bibles, and were invited to return. Bro. Glen has given out many audio Bibles in the local Indonesian Bahasa language. In fact, he gave out all they had and began searching for more!

RIM has been dealing with several difficult situations: stormy weather delays; thievery of gas; trash in the ocean that damaged the Mercury outboard motor; and not finding the parts to repair the motor, to name a few. They have forged on through all of these and have continued to reach people on local islands as best they can. Their confidence and strength is in God, Whom they know will see them through and bless their efforts.

RIM will leave Indonesia in May because their visas are short-term. After returning to their home port, they will pursue obtaining another visa so they can return to Indonesia.

Follow Glen Knight and Summer Knight on Facebook, and read their newsletters on our website, victory1st.com, under the “Missions” tab.



Soop Island



Gamm Island



Spring has come and gone and we're ready for summer!!!

Wednesday nights are always a blast, and our AWANA program was a huge success this year! We finished up AWANA in April with the closing ceremony where we celebrated the students who participated this year and the hard work they put into completing their books and memorizing



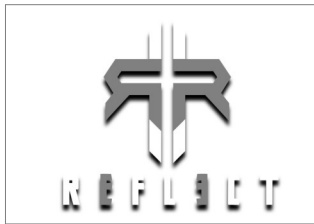
scripture. Wednesday nights this summer will look a little different as we begin our SUMMER OF FUN!!! Be on the lookout for opportunities to do some cool things with Victory Kids this summer!

On Sunday mornings we are continuing on through the Gospel Project. Each week students are able to learn a little more that adds to the overarching story of the Bible. Videos, games, and illustrations are used all in an effort to help students grasp what is being taught.

The Easter Egg Hunt was fantastic! We had an incredible turnout from the community! We are gearing up for VBS, which is always an amazing experience! Be sure and join us for an incredible time! If you are a student in 2nd through 5th grade, join us this summer for Creek Week at Budd Creek! We are preparing to have an awesome time!

There is always room for one more in Victory Kids, so come and join us!





We've had a busy spring that has only led us to what promises to be a busy summer! We kicked off

March with our annual Defenders Conference where students and adults alike learned ways to defend their faith by learning why they believe what they believe. From there we moved into Spring Break and then to a weekend spent at the Arkansas Youth Conference. The last year that AYC happened was 2019, so we were eager to go, and we had a blast!



Our teens played a big role in preparing for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. It certainly wouldn't have turned out as well as it did if they had not worked so hard. In between these bigger events we met each week opening God's Word and studying it together.

Summer is just around the corner, which means church camp, VBS, bowling,

skating, swimming, hanging out, trampoline parks, and much more! If you are a teen looking for a place to fit in, we're waiting for you! If you are an adult looking for a place to serve, teen ministry is a rewarding one.

Congratulations to our graduating seniors this year! Lizzie, Chandler, Jade, and KK, we love you and look forward to seeing you enter into this new chapter of your lives!

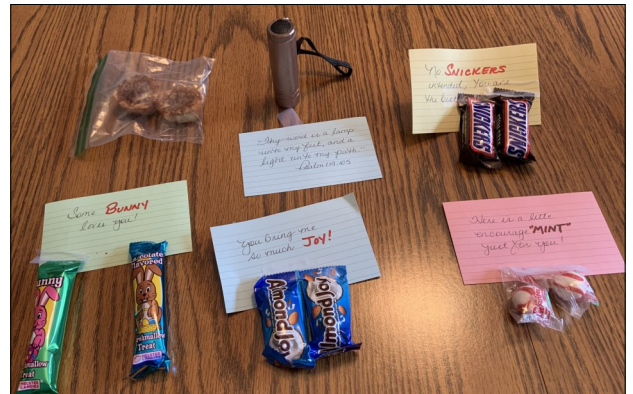


WINGS: Women IN God's Service

WINGS voted to continue our support of Sister Janice Williams in Houston, Texas. They have organized as a church, and Bro. Kim's salary will come from the sale of the land in Houston. They are still in need of financial help for special children's department projects. We will continue to send our \$50.00 each month for their children's ministry. In July, we will raise money to send them for their Back to School backpack program. In October, we will have our Pumpkin Decorating contest to raise money for their children's Christmas Party. We have supported and prayed for this sweet family for over 26 years. Sister Janice Williams wanted me to convey to the church family how much our support has meant to them over the years, and we will never know all the lives that Victory has helped share the gospel to in Houston, but God knows. If you would like to contribute, just designate on your offering check for money to go to "Houston-Children" or "Williams family."

In April, WINGS took Easter sacks to our Victory Shut-Ins. We gave them a small flashlight, special hand written notes, and candy. Peggy Hallmon made sugar-free pecan tarts. It was a great day to share God's love with these extra special folks!

Our next meeting will be on June 5 at 4:15 pm in Room 105. All ladies are invited to attend, as we discuss our next project for our Super Seniors and Shut-Ins. Always needing new ideas!



MDO: Mother's Day Out

Our Mother's Day Out program had a great first year! We started the year with 24 students, and we ended the year with 31! There were several days of cold and/or rainy weather this year when the students had to play inside. They were so glad when the weather warmed up and dried out so they could go back outside to the playground. The teachers were, too!

The year ended with a Spring Program on Thursday, May 19.

Many family members and friends came to see the classrooms, watch the students perform, and meet the teachers. Thanks to those who provided cupcakes for the reception afterwards—they were a delicious treat to enjoy while everyone visited and said their good-byes for the summer!

Registration for next year is open. We have 20 students enrolled; two of them are new students, and we haven't even started advertising!



Easter at Victory



VBCH Co-op

This has been a great year for our Co-op! Some families left after the year began, some joined after the year began, and we ended the year with five more families than when we started! We had a great group of kids and parents, and the parents were willing and able to jump in and help as needed.

Plans have already begun for next year. These pictures tell part of the story of what we learned and the fun we had!





CALL Mall: Children of Arkansas Loved for a Lifetime

The CALL Mall provides clothing, diapers, formula, and other items for foster parents free of charge, and we rely completely on donations. These donations come from many places: people who have heard of this ministry and want to help, groups who do community service projects, and even other churches. Our Victory church family has also been very generous in its support of and donations for this ministry. Thank you for all you do to support foster children and the foster parents who welcome them into their homes, often, literally, at a moments notice!

A Yard Sale to raise money for our CALL Mall was scheduled for May; however, the threat of rain caused it to be rescheduled for June. We are still accepting donations of household and other items, and we will need volunteers to set up and work the yard sale. To volunteer, sign up at the Welcome Center.



New Members!

We're glad to welcome our newest Victory family members!



Karen Waldroff



Edward and Riza Mamaril



Tia and Levi Thorngate

Karen, the Mamarils, and the Thorngates visited for a while and decided to join our church family!

Jonathan joined Victory several years ago and then moved out of town. He is back in town, and his wife and daughter have now joined by baptism!

We also welcome Hattie, who was recently saved and baptized!



Kristina, Stella, Jonathan Adams



Hattie Mitchell