



# Whirlwind Missions

## Outreach Update

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Hello, my friends!

Kim is a good example of a Special Forces soldier. She drove all the way from Austell to Chamblee (about thirty miles) just to help the kids at our mission. She and her two beautiful daughters are terrific mentors. But every time I thought about that drive I just shook my head. Surely there are ministry opportunities closer to home! Last week I had a meeting with one of my managers in Norcross. We chatted about the needs of the residents in the area. I told her of my vision of having an after school program in more apartment complexes.

“Take a look at this, Tim,” She opened up a file and showed me a press release. Her company had made the decision to have an after-school program at each of the five locations where they worked. They are willing to offer a free apartment for a teacher to come and run the program. Obviously, this sounds like something we needed to get involved in. “The best program now is in Austell, at Kingsley Village. Maybe you should call them.”

Austell! Immediately Kim and her daughters popped into my mind. I took notes about the complex, the manager’s name, address and filed it away for future reference. Two days later I get a call from out of the blue from a nurse who lives in Austell and is interested in doing ministry in the area! This is the way that I see the Father work. It’s like he’s up above constantly moving pieces around on the board all to accomplish his will.

This morning I set up an appointment with Kim and her daughters to go over and check this location out. I’m the “can opener” in these situations. I’m the guy that goes in, makes the arrangements, sets it up and turns it over to the director (Kim) of that mission. We arrived at the complex and I met up with Kim. I briefly told her what I would tell the manager. Soon we walked into the door and met with Jennifer, the manager. A large, African-American woman dressed in a fluorescent green outfit shook my hand with a grip of steel. “Howdy, Jennifer! I work with a partner of your, Nicki over at Parkwood Village. I’d like to introduce you to Kim and her daughters.” We all shook hands. In the next thirty minutes I explained that we are Christians interested in helping our community, that we offer After-School Programs, ESL classes and Outreach Events. I stressed that I work with churches and that we are interested in the spiritual needs of the residents first. Jennifer then replied, “I’m involved in outreach ministry too, in fact, Jesus has called me to be an evangelist!” Later, she took us over to the kids club house and welcomed us with open arms. Kim was so excited with the reception of the manager. For lunch we met with her pastor. I explained to them what we are about and that he should support Kim as one of his church members. He assured me that he would. God continues to open doors because of the faithful prayers of soldiers just like YOU!



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