



Whirlwind Missions

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Hello, my friends!

I had just finished my office work and headed over Azalea Mission to help the children with their homework. I turned the corner into the complex and noticed one of the kids walking beside the road. He looked worried. I slowed down, honked and waved. He glanced at me and kept walking. "That's strange," I thought.

I pulled into the parking lot and strode into the mission. "What's up, Babies!" I gave them my typical greeting. "Hello, Mr. Tim," a chorus of kids chimed in, followed by a dozen, "Mr. Tim, I need help!" Welcome to my world.

I was in the middle of explaining common denominators in fractions when Casey came in the door. Casey is confined to a wheel chair. She contracted polio as a child growing up in an Indian reservation in Oklahoma. She is a close friend and a valued member of our ministry team. Her two boys, Raphael and Miguel, are like sons to me. Miguel is a freshman in high school. He is a leader of the youth group and has the title of Assistant Director of the mission along with Jouvens Mocombe. His brother Raphael is a good kid, albeit wilder than most.

"Mr. Tim, have you seen Raphael?" Casey asked.

"Yeah, I saw him right before I pulled into the mission. He looked like he was walking to the Marta Station.

Carlos, one of the older boys mentioned, "He came by my house and my mom told him you had gone to Kroger."

Casey frowned and looked concerned. "I can't find him anywhere," she said.

We started thinking about where he could be. "Think he went to Kroger?" I asked.

"That's a long way to walk, Mr. Tim. I don't think he'd do that," Tabias said.

"He's really worried about his mom. I think he went over there," Carlos said.

"I'm sure he's fine," I said trying to keep his mom from worrying. A few minutes later Casey received a call from Raphael's coach's wife. She had found him searching the parking lot of Kroger from his mom. He had walked over five miles to get there! We were SO relieved to find out he was safe.

No matter where you're from, or where you live, you still love your mom! I know I do! It brought home to me again that we work with families not unlike our own. Tell your mom you love her!





Students from FBC Opelika, AL
college ministry believe you must
"Take the Church, To the People!"

I had a great time working with these enthusiastic
students. Their church has come to help us the
last two years in the
International Village.





The Caraway Puppet Team from Turkey Creek Baptist Church, NC, came to share the Gospel with the children of Hamptons at Lenox and at Huntington Creek. The children loved the presentation and heard about Jesus in a fun way—many for the first time!

