



# **Whirlwind Missions**

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“Ok kids, whoever wants candy has to catch Ronnie,” I said to the group of kids huddled around me. Ronnie, one of our older boys, turned to me his eyes got wide and he took off with all the kids following after him. After the kids weren’t swarmed around my truck I pulled out the surprise: cupcakes and candy. When the kids finally got exhausted they sat down and rested on the blanket.



It was a special day, we had Nana (Peggy Cummins), my Dad’s mom, and her two Texas friends, Sue Ann and Katharine, here on a mission trip. As the kids settle, Nana started telling a Bible story about Zacchaeus. The kids leaned forward to listen. Nana held their attention and told them about this wee little man. I liked watching her up there. It’s from her that I get a lot of my encouragement and inspiration. She makes missions look easy. I’m proud to be her granddaughter and to be a third generation missionary.



After Nana finished, the kids sang and acted out a song that went along with the story. It’s funny, if you’re interested in watching it, I posted it on my website.



Now for the really fun part. The kids could hardly sit still. They knew candy was on the way. I grouped the kids together on one side of a line and put the Texas team on the other. The ladies ready their throwing arms and tossed candy into the crowd. The kids went wild diving for lollipops, jumping for a Tootsie rolls! The ladies laughed and the kids enjoyed all the attention.



Thank you so much to my Texas team. The kids are still talking about the candy you tossed.

On another note, I wanted to update you on the Johnson family that I wrote about last month. The Johnson's were the family that I'd known since the very beginning of our ministry at Kensington Station. On Monday, Mama Laura took me aside and told me that they'd been kicked out and had to leave. The whole family is moving to Tennessee on Friday. I'm sad to see them go but it's a good reminder that time is limited and we need to constantly be sharing the love of Jesus with everyone around us. Please pray for the Johnsons and for me.

