

Sunday, April 17th 2016

Dear Elementary Parents,

This morning in Treasure Cove Children's worship we had the privilege of having Carla Sunberg, our Faith Promise missionary, share her Call to be a missionary and her experiences as a missionary—it was a powerful time!

Did you know that the majority of career missionaries received their Call to missions before the age of 13? Pretty big deal, huh? Because of that, we ended our Treasure Cove worship time with prayer and a challenging invitation for our kids. They were:

- **To be a missionary right where they are**. If your Elementary child felt God was asking them to be more intentional in living out their faith and sharing Jesus with their friends, they received a wordless bracelet and explanation of what the colors mean. This is an easy and non-threatening way for kids to share the love of Jesus! <u>As it's always a bit nerve-wracking to share your faith, have your kids 'practice' by sharing with you!</u>
- **To partner with missionaries around the world through giving**. For those kids that want to help current missionaries spread the Good News of Jesus, we've passed out a World Missions Offering bi-fold quarter holder. These hold \$10.00 worth of quarters, and are an easy and tangible way for your kids to partner with Nazarene Missions. <u>Encourage your kids in their desire to support missionaries by providing extra ways that they can earn money!</u>
- **To respond in obedience if God is Calling them to be missionaries**. If God is Calling your Elementary child to be a missionary, we want to pray and partner with you and your child through intentional discussions and discipleship. <u>Let's encourage our kids to</u> <u>follow God in full obedience to what He is calling them to!</u>

I look forward to continuing to partner with you and your family as we endeavor to raise children that daily love and follow the Call of Jesus!

Because of His Love,

Pastor Marcus