

Preparing for the Holidays...

November, 2010

Sunshine exists to seek renewal in the city through ministries of discipleship, mercy, and justice. We do this through building relationships, teaching and mentoring, developing life skills, care and advocacy in our community.

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A Word from Horizons

Changing our Perspective



Tanyia Ceaser, a 6th grade student at A.O. Sexton and participant of Sunshine's

Horizons afterschool program, wrote a letter to the president during an exercise. In her letter she stated,

"Here at Sexton, we have issues such as: bullying, fighting, disrespect, [and]

Christmas Store!

What Is It and Why We Do It:

SGM's Christmas Store is vehicle that provides affordable options for families to buy presents for the holidays.

Often, the holidays can be a painful time for parents who are unable to afford gifts for their children. As a result, the Christmas Store was created as a way to give gifts that instill dignity.

Give a gift:

By purchasing a gift of no more than \$50.00, it will be rendered to our store and re-sold for a fraction of the price to parents and families.

All proceeds will be given to one or more families that may need a little something extra this year.



gang affiliations.

I personally think that if we had something to change our perspective on these issues... then [we] would think twice about the things we do."

Young Tanyia realizes that if our perspective can change, so can our behaviors. As 1 Timothy 2:1-2 exhorts us, we must pray for our leaders and ask God to instill His perspective into the hearts and minds of those in authority, i.e. government, education, etc, so that children like Tanyia can live "quiet and peaceable" lives.

Love,

The Sunshine Family

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Last year, we had over 50 families join us. Help us make this possible again by donating this Christmas: <http://www.sunshinegospel.org/christmas.html>

Volunteer Day!



Panting Trees and Shrubbery

A big thanks to: Covenant Presbyterian Church, Cityview Presbyterian, Grace Northshore, Willowcreek Chicago, and Northwestern RUF, for joining us on Nov 13th for Volunteer Day!

We had families work in tilling, planting, laying sod and spreading mulch for the new parking lot. Thank you all for the hard work and efforts put forth in this project!

See the event up close:



If you haven't already heard...

Final Drop Off Date:

**Saturday, December 4th, 2010.
Time: 12p.m.-3p.m.**

Christmas Store Date:

**Saturday, December 11th, 2010.
Time: 10a.m.-2p.m.**

Get Involved!

<http://www.sunshinegospel.org/christmas.html>



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