



Footprints

March 2019

Pay It Forward



Kaleigh, one of the middle school girls that participated in our Tutoring Program as an elementary student, tutors a younger student, Chaniyah. This is what success looks like at STEP.

There's no shortage of things to be encouraged by around STEP Ministries. Our Mentoring Program is in full swing giving followers of Jesus an opportunity to participate in the Great Commission. Our Encouragers are back at work this semester across the Little Rock, North Little Rock, and Pulaski County Special School Districts doing just what their name implies... bringing encouragement. Kids all over central Arkansas are being loved toward Jesus. But sometimes Jesus gives us a clearer look into the generational change that He's working through these relationships.

That was on display in one simple act of service during the Tutoring Program this February. One of our older girls, Kaleigh, volunteered to fill in for an absent tutor and serve Chaniyah by helping her with homework for the afternoon. Life is caught, not taught, and we're thankful to get to be a part of what Jesus is doing here.

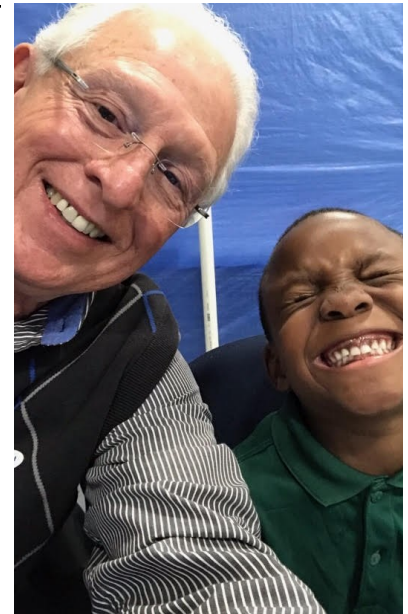
Supper with STEP

On February 28, we held the second annual Supper with STEP at Park Hill Baptist Church in North Little Rock. While Supper with STEP serves as our primary fundraising event, we hope it doubled as a night of fun as well.

We were able to celebrate God's faithfulness to the relationship of Mike Alexander and Adrian Nash by hearing how Mike's investment in Adrian has created a new set of branches on the Alexander family tree. STEP's current Board Chair, Jeremy Jeffery, also shared about how the Mentoring Program is working toward better equipping our kids to face the "Next STEP's" of life after graduation. For those of you that were able to make it out, thank you SO MUCH for all your support. For those of you that weren't, we hope to see you next year!



STEP Ministries' Board Chair, Jeremy Jeffery, shares about how God has used the Mentoring Program to change his perspective on the role discipleship plays in his walk with Jesus.



Tutor, Darry Elliott, and his student, Kieran, take a quick break from the books to have a little fun. Thank you to all of our tutors that help our students thrive academically!

Interested in mentoring?

The Summer Mentoring Program is the best way to dip your toe in the water. Sign up for a three day, six hour session:

July 9-11

July 16-18

July 23-26

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Summer Literacy Camps

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We appreciate your faithful support and prayers more than you can know!



KAA!!! U KNOW!!!

Each summer we offer the kids in the Mentoring Program, the opportunity to attend Kids Across America (KAA) camp. KAA's mission is "to build Christian leaders by encouraging, equipping, and empowering urban youth and their mentors through camping and education." Obviously, KAA and STEP share many of the same values. Last year, a STEP mentee, Darien, took home KAA's highest honor, the I Am Third Award, for his commitment to putting God first, others second, and himself third. We will be at KAA from June 9 through June 15. Please pray that the kids would meet Jesus and submit to Him fully.