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Dear It Is Written friend,

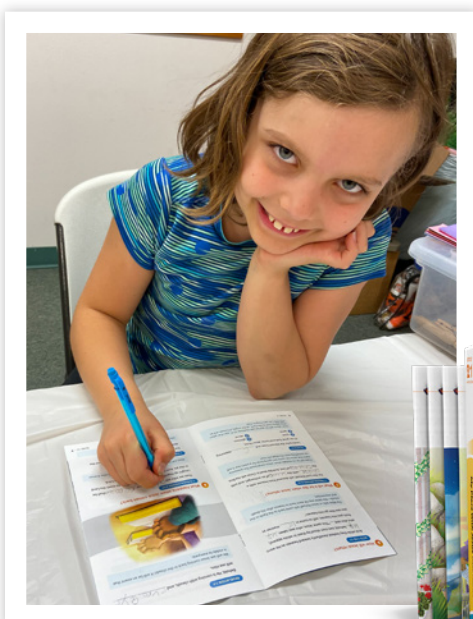
Children are evangelistic by nature. They will share whatever they are excited about. And when they're excited about Jesus, they will share Him with others.

In his weekly chapel presentation at a church school in Lexington, Kentucky, the pastor led a study using the *My Place With Jesus Bible Guides*, a much-loved It Is Written resource. The students enjoyed the weekly studies. Some not only made the decision to be baptized, but also began sharing what they learned with their friends.

Brooke, a fifth-grader, wanted to share the lessons with her friend Emily. "The next time Emily comes over to visit," Brooke told her mom, "I'm going to get out the My Place With Jesus lessons, and we'll make a game of going through them and looking up the texts in the Bible. I want her to know Jesus too!" Brooke knew that Emily wasn't a Bible-believing Christian and wanted to do what she could to encourage Emily to know Jesus as her personal Savior.

## *I want her to know Jesus too!*

Across the country in north central Minnesota, a church school employee received a My Place With Jesus Bible and knew what she had to do. COVID-19 restrictions had led to an influx of new students without a church background, and the church wanted to use this unique opportunity to give these students a clear picture of Jesus. ***They bought My Place With Jesus Bibles for every student in the school***, gift wrapped them, and gave them to the children.



*Buried Treasure is resulting in decisions for Jesus in Idaho.*



Even the teachers were surprised by what happened next: on their own, **the students started their own Bible study before class** using the *My Place With Jesus Bible Guides* in the back of their new Bibles. As the children studied and shared, the teachers began seeing a difference in the students' behavior as they lived out what they were learning. The teachers were especially excited because they knew the students would take what they were learning home to their parents.

Young people are evangelists. And it's imperative we give young people effective tools so they can learn and share their faith. With your help this month, It Is Written is going to do even more to make this happen.

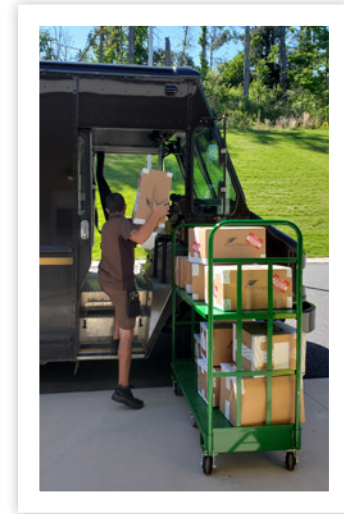
Right now, It Is Written is launching Buried Treasure, a comprehensive evangelism series for children up to the age of 12. **This brand-new resource** features Bible studies, original Scripture songs, games, crafts, and lessons all designed to teach the same truths being shared with adults in an evangelistic series. As I write this, our friend Joelle is using Buried Treasure for a full 24-night series in Idaho. She reports that the series is "wonderful, easy to use, and thoughtfully laid out." Up to 12 children have attended her

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nightly meetings, and when the first decision card was passed out, each child in attendance made the decision to be committed to Jesus Christ.



*Pre-orders for Buried Treasure get ready for shipment.*



*The first shipments of Buried Treasure leave the It Is Written warehouse.*



Joelle's students report that they love every part of Buried Treasure—the brain break (the physical activity time), crafts, singing, and the Bible study. Even the program volunteers say they cannot get the Buried Treasure theme song out of their heads!



Children learn about Jesus during the Buried Treasure program in Idaho.



***Buried Treasure gives children the opportunity to learn what their parents are learning during an evangelistic series.*** It can also be used for Bible study classes and as a Vacation Bible School.

This means not only moms and dads will learn the great truths of the Bible. Whole families will encounter the important Bible subjects for these final days of earth's history.

Children who participate in Buried Treasure are going to meet Jesus as their own personal Savior, and many will share what they have learned with their family and friends. When Buried Treasure was being field tested, two children were heartbroken when their parents told them they couldn't continue attending the evangelistic meetings because they didn't have time. "But please!" they begged their parents. "We don't want to miss Buried Treasure. Please take us to the meetings!" Mom and Dad not only relented, but they also continued attending the series and were baptized!

My wife loves to tell the story of how she attended the children's meetings at an evangelistic series when she was around six years old. Not only did she love what she learned, but she encouraged her father to follow the teachings of the Bible. He was baptized, and to this day my wife's entire family are faithfully following Jesus. This is the power of child evangelism. Not only are children reached by the gospel, but they love to share it with the people closest to them.

***My Place With Jesus has never offered more to our children than it does today.*** Along with our dedicated It Is Written ministry team, Melissa has developed online resources, the *My Place With Jesus Bible Guides*, the *My Place With Jesus Bible*, the *My Place With Jesus Bible Marking stickers*, the *Journey Through the Bible* reading program, and now *Buried Treasure*. It's all designed to encourage young people to love Jesus and share Him with others.

Please join us this month and make a special investment in the lives of children. Buried Treasure helps young people to dig deep into God's Word, know Jesus for themselves, and share Him with others. Melissa works tirelessly with the members of our Production, Publishing, and IT staff to produce these resources. And it is your support that makes it possible for us to do so. I love to hear stories about young people who studied the *My Place With Jesus Bible Guides* and were baptized. ***We simply must reach more children.*** The devil is doing all he can to ruin children for

eternity. But we must fight back against the forces of darkness and give children everywhere the best possible chance of knowing Jesus. Please help us bring Jesus to the hearts of more children and connect them with the heart of our loving God.

A couple months ago, our friend, musician Scott Michael Bennett, visited our studio to record vocals for one of the songs on the Buried Treasure CD. Scott has ministered through music for countless evangelistic series and has two young children of his own. “This is the kind of resource we have needed for years,” he told us. “I’m so glad it’s finally here and that It Is Written pioneered this ground. This is going to save children and their families for eternity.”

Thank you for your gift this month toward the salvation of our young people. It will truly make an eternal difference.

Praying and working with you for our children,



Pastor John Bradshaw  
President, It Is Written

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P.S. In Kentucky, students got excited about the *My Place With Jesus Bible Guides* from It Is Written and started sharing what they learned with their friends. Students in Minnesota took it upon themselves to start their own Bible study before class using the *My Place With Jesus Bible Guides*. Children are evangelistic, and It Is Written is providing more tools than ever before to make child evangelism happen. Right now, we are launching Buried Treasure—a life-changing evangelism series for children! Your support of It Is Written this month invests in the hearts and minds of children who in turn will reach their families and loved ones with the love of Jesus Christ.

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