

THE

BRIDGE

GOD'S BODY SHARING HIS UNCONDITIONAL LOVE

February 2023

SOAR Kids Club Week



For kids in Saskatoon, the February break can be a joyous occasion or, for kids in the inner city, it can be lonely and uninspiring. At The Bridge, SOAR Kids Club Week is one of the ways we bring the joy of this break to the kids in our community. Once again, we partnered with SOAR this February to run a 4-day Kid's Club. As the week went on, we saw God draw near to the SOAR team as they led the kids in games, bible lessons, and songs. One of the team members shared that they experienced God's peace during the week, rather than the anxiety they were used to feeling.

We were delighted that over 22 kids attended Kids Club daily. When they were asked to share what they knew about Jesus, one kid belted out, "I know Jesus died for our sins;" another shared that she learned that Jesus gives life to us like a branch gives life to its fruit. We are so grateful for the different ways we can serve the kids in our community.

Openness at Youth



This month has been an exciting one at youth group. From movie nights to tobogganing, there has been a lot of fun and also a lot of growth. Recently, two students expressed that youth group is starting to really feel like home to them. It has been wonderful to watch these students open up by taking off their masks and hoods; things they had been using to hide behind.

Last week, we welcomed two new students to the group who have been very open to the leaders, as well as eager for a place that feels like home to them. They attended the tobogganing night, and they had a blast!

A Warm Hug



On a cold week, there is nothing like a warm hug! This small visitor was eager to show her affection towards our staff and we were happy to give mom a peaceful moment to enjoy her meal. As we learn to love from the heart Jesus gave us, we find the opportunities are endless and so are the rewards. This moment is a beautiful example of the many blessings we receive each day at The Bridge - we truly are rich in His blessings (Proverbs 10:22).

The Store is OPEN!



Last week, we put out an urgent needs request regarding our free store. Our free store serves men, women, and children but we are often short on men's clothing items. We let you know on Facebook and Instagram that we had to close our store due to a lack of men's items - and the response was beautiful! We are thrilled to have the store back open to our visitors. In fact, it was open the very next day thanks to those who donated new and used men's clothing items. We know these items will go fast, so please consider reviewing our Current Needs (below) for what we will need to keep the store open this week.



Current Needs

Men's Clothing

Shoes

Winter Jackets

Hygiene Items

(shampoo, body wash, razors, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, etc.)

Ground Coffee & Whitener



Finances

As our team and facility have grown, our financial needs have increased as well. We would like to invite you to prayerfully consider, or even increase, monthly or one-time giving to the Bridge.

Please note, when giving through our website, PayPal deducts fees from your gift. But when you give by e-transfer or automatic bank transfer, we receive your whole gift. Thank you for your partnership!

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*"For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace."
John 1:16 (ESV)*

