

Welcome to Outreach Center

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Notes of Encouragement





19,997

Shoeboxes collected in NWA

10,505,155

shoeboxes distributed globally

***In 2021, 4 million children
discipled through The Greatest Journey***



**2.3 million children
accepted Christ!**



Discover God.
Find Yourself.
Reach the Lost.



YWAM Oak Haven

Intro To YWAM

Sundays 6 to 7:30 p.m.
Outreach Center Church

Baby Bottle Campaign

***Drop your
bottle off at the
Church Office***



Choices
Pregnancy Services



7 a.m. – 7 p.m.
every day

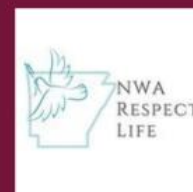
Sign up through the
40 Days For Life website
40daysforlife.com/en/rogers

NWA Respect Life Presents:

40 DAYS FOR LIFE



RAMONA TREVIÑO
FORMER PLANNED
PARENTHOOD MANAGER



*Saturday, March 5 at 7:00 pm

Ramona gives personal testimony in Spanish at PAUL-HALL
(the old corner of the 13th & Cypress church)
at the St. Vincent de Paul Campus in ROGERS

*Sunday, March 6 at 2:00 pm

40 Days for Life Rally Begins

Keynote Speaker: Ramona Treviño






in PAUL HALL (the old corner of the 13th & Cypress church)
at the St. Vincent de Paul Campus in ROGERS

*Music and Prizes



Sign the clipboard if you plan to attend!

**Saturday, March 26
from 9-12**

-  *Cut and remove small trees*
-  *Cut and remove briars*
-  *Clear a new exit from the path*
-  *Oil bike chains and check brakes*
-  *Clean the bike shed and remove broken equipment*

NWA Children's Shelter Bike Trail Service Opportunity

Volunteers must be 21+ and pass an on-site Raptor screening

It's Time to sign up!
Parents see Cathy Flack...

CAMP SILOAM 2022



April 1-3

for kids 3rd - 6th grade

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John Mark

Video: John Mark 6:23 min

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Part 5 – The Expanding Church Chapters 16-19

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Map and Timeline of Pauls' Missionary Journeys

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Adversity = Opportunity

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Acts 16:16-19

(NIV)

2nd Missionary Journey – in Philippi, a Roman colony

¹⁶Once when we were going to the place of prayer, **we** were met by a female slave who had a spirit by which she predicted the future. She earned a great deal of money for her owners by fortune-telling. ¹⁷She followed Paul and the rest of us, shouting, “These men are servants of the Most High God, who are telling you the way to be saved.”

Acts 16:16-19

(NIV)

¹⁸ She kept this up for many days. Finally Paul became so annoyed that he turned around and said to the spirit, *“In the name of Jesus Christ I command you to come out of her!”* At that moment the spirit left her.

¹⁹ When her owners realized that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace to face the authorities.

Acts 16:16-34

(NIV)

²³ After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. ²⁴ When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶ Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose.



Acts 16:16-34

(NIV)

²⁷ The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped.

²⁸ But Paul shouted, “Don’t harm yourself! **We are all here!**”

²⁹ The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ He then brought them out and asked,

“Sirs, what must I do to be saved?”

Acts 16:16-34

(NIV)

³⁴ The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God—he and his whole household.



Adversity = Adaptation

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Acts 17:1-34

(NIV)

Paul and his companions came to Thessalonica, where there was a Jewish synagogue. ² As was his custom, Paul went into the synagogue, and on three Sabbath days he reasoned with them from the Scriptures,

⁴ Some of the Jews were persuaded and joined Paul and Silas, as did a large number of God-fearing Greeks and quite a few prominent women. ⁵ But other Jews were jealous; so they rounded up some bad characters from the marketplace, formed a mob and started a riot in the city.

Acts 17:1-34

(NIV)

¹⁰ As soon as it was night, the believers sent Paul and Silas away to Berea. On arriving there, they went to the Jewish synagogue.

¹³ But when the Jews in Thessalonica learned that Paul was preaching the word of God at Berea, some of them went there too, agitating the crowds and stirring them up. ¹⁴ The believers immediately sent Paul to the coast, but Silas and Timothy stayed at Berea. ¹⁵ Those who escorted Paul brought him to Athens and then left with instructions for Silas and Timothy to join him as soon as possible.

Acts 17:1-34

(NIV)

¹⁶ While Paul was waiting for them in Athens, he was greatly distressed to see that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷ So he reasoned in the synagogue with both Jews and God-fearing Greeks, as well as in the marketplace day by day with those who happened to be there.

Acts 17:1-34

(NIV)

¹⁹ Then they took him and brought him to a meeting of the Areopagus, where they said to him, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting?”

²² Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: “People of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. ²³ For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: **TO AN UNKNOWN GOD**. So you are ignorant of the very thing you worship—and *this is what I am going to proclaim to you.*

Adversity = Clear Vision

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Acts 18:1-8

(NIV)

After this, Paul left Athens and went to Corinth. ² There he met a Jew named Aquila, a native of Pontus, who had recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla, because Claudius had ordered all Jews to leave Rome. Paul went to see them, ³ and because he was a tentmaker as they were, he stayed and worked with them. ⁴ Every Sabbath he reasoned in the synagogue, trying to persuade Jews and Greeks.



Acts 18:1-8

(NIV)

⁵ When Silas and Timothy came from Macedonia, Paul devoted himself exclusively to preaching, testifying to the Jews that Jesus was the Messiah. ⁶ But when they opposed Paul and became abusive, he shook out his clothes in protest and said to them, “Your blood be on your own heads! I am innocent of it. *From now on I will go to the Gentiles.*”



Acts 18:1-8

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⁷ Then Paul left the synagogue and went next door to the house of Titius Justus, a worshiper of God. ⁸ Crispus, the synagogue leader, and his entire household believed in the Lord; and many of the Corinthians who heard Paul believed and were baptized.

Acts 9:15-16



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Acts 9:15-16

But the Lord said to Ananias, “Go! This man is my chosen instrument **to proclaim my name to the Gentiles** and their kings and to the people of Israel. ¹⁶ I will show him how much he must suffer for my name.”



Adversity = Unexpected

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Acts 18:19-23

(NIV)

They arrived at Ephesus, where Paul left Priscilla and Aquila. He himself went into the synagogue and reasoned with the Jews. ²⁰ When they asked him to spend more time with them, he declined. ²¹ But as he left, he promised, “I will come back if it is God’s will.” Then he set sail from Ephesus.

²² When he landed at Caesarea, he went up **to Jerusalem** and greeted the church and then went **down to Antioch**.

²³ After *spending some time in Antioch*, **Paul set out** from there and traveled from place to place... strengthening all the disciples.



Acts 19:1-26

(NIV)

¹While Apollos was at Corinth, **Paul** took the road through the interior and **arrived** at **Ephesus**. There he found some disciples

⁸ Paul entered the synagogue and spoke boldly there for three months, arguing persuasively about the kingdom of God. ⁹ But some of them became stubborn; they refused to believe and publicly slandered the Way. So Paul left them. He took the disciples with him and had discussions daily in the lecture hall of Tyrannus. ¹⁰ ***This went** on for **two years**, so that *all the Jews and Greeks who lived in the province of Asia heard the word of the Lord.**

Acts 19:1-26

(NIV)

¹¹ God did extraordinary miracles through Paul, ¹² so that even *handkerchiefs* and *aprons* that *had touched him* were taken to the sick, and their illnesses were cured and the evil spirits left them.

²³ About that time there arose a great disturbance about *the Way*.

²⁴ A silversmith named Demetrius, who made silver shrines of Artemis, brought in a lot of business for the craftsmen there.

Acts 19:1-26

(NIV)

²⁵⁻²⁷ He called them together and said... This fellow Paul has convinced and led astray large numbers of people here in Ephesus and Asia... There is danger not only that our trade will lose its good name, but also that the temple of the great goddess Artemis will be discredited; and the goddess herself, who is worshiped throughout the province of Asia and the world, will be robbed of her divine majesty.”

²⁸⁻²⁹ When they heard this, they were furious and began shouting: “Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!” ²⁹ Soon the whole city was in an uproar.



Acts 19:1-41

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Enter... “**The City Clerk**”

After he quieted and talked to the crowd... he dismissed the assembly.

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Timothy

Video: Timothy 5:35 min

Timothy...

“We weren’t trying to suddenly defeat cultures through military might but take them over one person at a time. Making completely devoted disciples – not just shallow followers.

It was a risky strategy but history would show its validity. Within 250 years, Christianity would peacefully take over the Roman Empire.

Timothy...

Disruptive innovation a business term of today.

We were the original people with *disruptive innovation*.

Making disciples for us was unlike anything that had ever been tried in the history of the world.

We were turning the world upside down...

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- Week 3: **Want**
- Last Week: **Community**
- This Week:

the book of ACTS

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Next week: Acts Chapters 20-28

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