

SHOTGUN JOURNALS

CHANGING AND RAISING UP A GENERATION

And so we have started a new year, a new season, full of exciting, new things to come.

Although the world may be in disarray, God is still on the move!

One new and exciting adventure for James and I this year is a new ministry we will be involved in to reach the kids in our community, break the cycle of fatherless, and bring forth healthy family and relationships!

We are heading a new chapter of an outreach program of Majesty Outdoors called Tidechangers here in our area. We're building relationship, bringing healthy family, and breaking generational cycles of fatherless while bringing to the surface identity and purpose in the youth in the community. All this is done in relation to outdoor activities, and through Christ centered lessons and mentorship .

We were not looking for this, but we had been asking God what He would have us do here. We knew He was calling us to more. Amongst many God opportunities, this one developed slowly and "all of a sudden." I met Carolina through my job. Someone who served the same kid groups and families in our community. And through another mentorship program opportunity and just forming a relationship, she got to know me and asked if my husband and I would head a ministry of mentorship in our city. Client of mine were just asking for something like this. We don't believe things happen by accident. In fact, every conversation it seemed it had been a divine setup from the start.

One of the biggest things about this is healthy families. Bringing kids into understanding what that looks like. Our kids are able to be involved, our family is able to be involved in ushering kids into another way of doing things- God's way of doing things. This was something huge as we've always seen our children involved with what we do. They play a key and intricate role in the way they can relate and exemplify Jesus to their peers.

So how is it done? We'll have a big event to bring in kids from the community. One thing that's great is, this ministry pools from the community and community churches. The idea is to not have the whole weight upon one individual church. It not only brings unity in the community but among churches to work together for the cause. Isn't that something- one body working together for the call!

After the big event, we'll set up weekly meetings for mentorship and ministry. We are hoping it will be on the strip mall near our church. A strategic location that doesn't have the intimidation of church but has the centralized location that can lead others to come to youth in that very room on a Wed night or church right down the strip on a Sunday morning. We know this is a God setup for the harvest coming in.

And then, we'll have one big outdoor activity once or every other month. This can be anything from fishing to hunting to camping or survival skills.

We are so excited for what the Lord is doing here. We believe this will bring in kids from all over to know Jesus, break the cycle of generational fatherlessness, and take back territory!

Please pray! We are gearing up with the whole armor of God and will need to be covering of prayers and intercessions.

We are excited for what the Lord is doing and shifting to bring forth a new generation of kingdoms builders and world changers!