

PUPPETS 4 Him



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2008/2009 Year

Well, another puppet year has come and gone already!

The team this year saw returning members Michael, Hillary, Gregory, and Ebenezer. Cassidy became an official team member right from the get go! Sisters Talitha and Selena were new additions in the fall. Julie and Su joined us in January. They were a very talented bunch. Together we endured countless sessions of puppet aerobics to improve our puppetry skills (exercising muscles we didn't know we had). When we gave our arms a break, we were exercising our minds during many brainstorming sessions where we created choreography moves that only a puppet could do! Hat's off to Talitha who came up with the brilliant worm-change-into-a-butterfly idea during the "Livin' on Sonshine" song. It pays to put your heads together! The team was all involved in painting many new signs and props.

"To Russia With Love"

Marlowe, Carol and Cassidy travelled with puppets in tow to Russia in late October where we were invited to help launch a puppet team at an Evangelical church in the city of Tambov. Thanks to the generosity of MRI (Ministry Resources International) and the donations by people of Calvary Temple, the Tambov church received an abundance of donated puppets, staging and puppet resources.

Launching the Russian team was undoubtedly the highlight of our ministry year. After the challenge of locating some Russian language songs here at home, we made signs and props in both English and Russian. With the help of our own Puppets4Him team we were able to practice the English version of the song and work out the staging and choreography which we would also use in Tambov.

In just 4 short days we managed to train the "Step by Step" puppet team, teach them two songs, and put together an entire package for them to present in their church's 20th Anniversary Sunday celebration service. On the following Monday we were given the opportunity to visit some rural orphanages and minister to the children there.

When we returned to Winnipeg, we were able to report on our trip in the Sunday morning services, show a video clip of the Russian performance and then our team performed the song in English.



Training camp!



Russian Puppet Team:
"Step by Step"

Some Memories of the Year:

Livin' on Sonshine



Praise God Tonight

"Jukebox Joe", the latest addition to our puppet collection, is a black light puppet who was custom made in Louisiana. He made his debut at Family Fun Day in June.





In the year 2000, Marlowe and Carol were introduced to Ventriloquist Gene Cordova at a Minneapolis puppetry festival and enjoyed his ministry there. When planning this year's Church Family Funday we contacted Gene and were delighted when he and his sidekick Bongo accepted our invitation. The Calvary Temple church family was indeed blessed by Gene's ministry. To Cassidy's surprise, Bongo announced in the service to everyone in attendance that she was his girlfriend! Cassidy flat out denies the relationship. Her reps were not available for comment.



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... to **Derek** for videotaping our performances

... to **Mrs. Rosales** (Michael's Grandmother) for sewing the letters on a banner for our black light song!

... to the team parents who supported us in many encouraging ways

... to everyone who remembers this ministry in prayer

Mark Your Calendar!

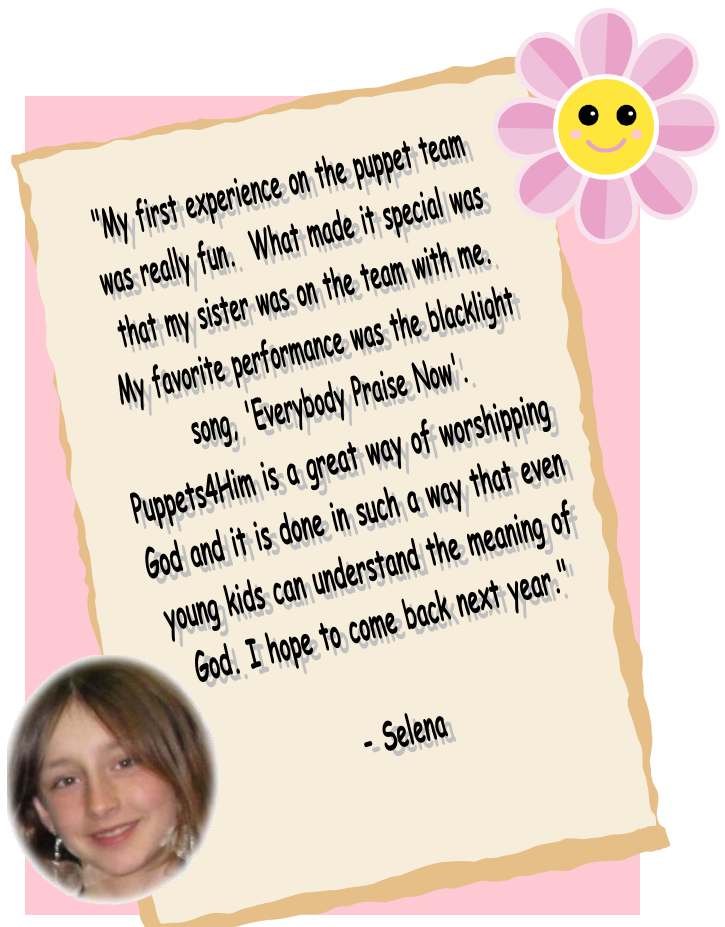
Summer Training Event



August 29, 2009

Calvary Temple

Don't miss it!



"My first experience on the puppet team was really fun. What made it special was that my sister was on the team with me. My favorite performance was the blacklight song, 'Everybody Praise Now'. Puppets4Him is a great way of worshipping God and it is done in such a way that even young kids can understand the meaning of God. I hope to come back next year."

- Selena