



In Memory of Claire

On Friday, June 2 at 12:30 p.m. our ministry lost a dear friend who loved God tremendously. Claire Boettcher impacted hundreds of young people for over 20 years at Youth With a Mission-Tyler's Christian Heritage School. Many missionary families from different nations sent their young children to her kindergarten classroom where she taught them to read through the use of phonics. She also taught and disciplined hundreds of young teachers at the Teacher's For the Nations training school who in turn have gone out to launch other Christian Heritage Schools around the world. Some of the nations these young people and teacher trainees came from, whom Claire taught were; Bangladesh, India, Korea, China, Namibia, Ghana, South Africa, Brazil, Columbia, Nicaragua, Romania, Latvia, and Jamaica.

One word that kept coming up in regards to Claire was "courageous." Claire, for the past fifteen years, had multiple sclerosis and yet was determined to exercise consistently so as to keep teaching young people how to read and educating adults how to teach children to read. She was always focused on the concerns of others and even with the cancer causing her great pain, Claire still kept the spotlight off herself and on those who visited her. She also radiated the joy of God and her lifestyle preached Jesus. One time when she was standing over her kitchen sink in pain from the cancer Claire responded by saying, "Lord, you are majestic in all of your ways." Claire's life was a true inspiration and many at her memorial service said it was the best service they had ever attended.

Please pray for her daughter Lisa and son Clint who also lost their grandfather three weeks earlier. Please also pray for an individual to become the kindergarten/reading teacher at Christian Heritage School. Thank you.

"Kids say some of the most interesting things"

Over the years Claire collected many interesting stories from her young reading class kids. A few of them are: During the first Gulf War while in prayer for our troops a little girl prayed for Sally Arabia. Another time a little boy prayed for mom, dad, the dog and for the ground so we will not fall into H***. When asking a little girl who the sons of Noah were she responded by saying, "Ham, Sham, & D**." Needless to say, after each of these and many other prayer times, additional instruction took place. :)

Prayer Requests:

- Continue to develop a deeper, loving relationship with Jesus Christ
- Productive summer
- Go on a vacation with friends

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