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Dear Friends,

My office is filled with the sounds of little girls playing pretend this morning – it’s so much fun! I’m doing a friend a favor and loving every minute (thank you, Aunt Jean, for the doll house). These little ladies are causing me to remember my wonderfully free, magical childhood, when all of Itta Bena, Mississippi, was my playground and the world was re-imagined every single day.



As I listen to these little ones, I hear them echoing their parents’ voices, learning to resolve issues, making plans and dreaming dreams, adjusting to one another. (My lips are sealed, parents!)

I can just hear God shaping their hearts and minds through their play. My own calling to missions came when I was 8 years old and someone inspired my imagination. I also spent hours pretending the leg of Mama’s piano was my bassoon, the hair brush was my microphone, and the piano bench my stage. So, 50 years later, here I am leading an international ministry and leading worship!

Just think of how God shapes each of us for the amazing things He has in store for us!

*Ephesians 2:10 says, “For we are His workmanship [His own master work, a work of art], created in Christ Jesus [reborn from above—spiritually transformed, renewed, ready to be used] for good works, which God prepared [for us] beforehand [taking paths which He set], so that we would walk in them [living the good life which He prearranged and made ready for us].” (Amplified Bible)*

Did you ever imagine that God would plan for you to do all of these things?



Each year, you are providing para-medical training for more than 25 young adults. Pictured here is the Class of 2018, with their professors and Dr. Ghuna Kumar, director of Gospel Friends India. Most of these students come from a Hindu background, but meet Christ during their training and return to their home villages to share God’s love.

**PRAYER NOTES & MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES:**

**LOCAL MINISTRIES:**

***Men’s Prayer Breakfast***

Friday, 6:30 am

***Youth Community Explosion***

FALL: Sep 4 – Dec 6

***Worship at the Claiborne***

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, 4 p.m.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

AUG Planning for upcoming events: YCE, Nepal, Local outreach

SEP 8-9 Calvary UMC

Stockton, IL

Holy Spirit Conf.

14-16 Ozark Chapel UMC Laurie, MO, Women’s retreat

Oct 17-18 International Christmas Shop and Taste of the World Luncheon; The Storehouse

**PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES:**

-Lori Smith’s family health issues

-Cecil & Julie health issues

-On-going opposition/persecution in India, Nepal, Nigeria, Pakistan

-Volunteers for tutoring YCE

-Financial Support

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