Jubilee Music Enrichment

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At the start of the new program year I found myself doing the tedious job of polishing and conditioning handbells. While doing so one of the Jubilee Ringers enter and saw the cloth that was used to shine the bells. It was a white cloth that had turned completely black. She asked how the cloth became so black. I held up a bell that had not been polished and asked the question; how does it look? Her response was, "it looks fine". I then placed a polished bell next to it. She immediately saw there was a big difference. The polished one had a brilliant shine and made the one beside it look dull. I told her, this is what the Lord wants to do with us. On the surface we may look good but: there is a whole lot of tarnish that needs to be removed so we can be vessels that shine for his glory.

The Apostle Paul valued the importance of youth ministering for the glory of the Lord. He told Timothy, a young vessel, "let no one despise your youth; but be an example of the believers, in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity (1Timothy 4:12)." He encouraged Timothy to shine for Christ in every way. As Paul continued to mentor Timothy he told him, "in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honor, and some to dishonor." Paul specifically gave Timothy instruction on how to be a vessel unto honor, holy, fit for the master's use and prepared for every good work. He told him to purge himself by fleeing youthful lust, and by following righteousness, faith, love, peace along with those who call on the Lord with a pure heart (2 Tim. 2-21-22). You see, Paul did not want Timothy to be tarnished by the things of the world. He realized that in order to serve Christ he had to be pure, holy and be with people who love righteousness.

At Jubilee Music Enrichment we seek to polish each youth who walks in the door so they can shine for Christ. This work requires sacrifice and must be done with much care because the souls of our youth are valuable. We seek to provide a refuge where they can escape the tarnish of the world, be instructed in righteousness and be surrounded by those who call on the Lord with a pure heart. So, when you see the movement of shiny bells in the hands of the Jubilee Ringers please be reminded to pray that they will be shining vessels of honor, fit for the service of Jesus Christ.

Please pray:

- That the Lord will keep our children safe in their homes and on the street.
- For the parents of our children. During prayer time one child asked prayer for her father who is in jail. Another ringer informed that her father was incarcerated. Pray for their salvation and deliverance.
- Pray for a Jubilee Ringer who has scoliosis and will undergo surgery soon. Pray that the Lord will relieve her anxiety and that all will go well.
- That the Lord will provide a facility for the program before the cold weather comes.
- Pray that the Lord will provide the funds needed to purchase and maintain a building for our programs.
- That the Bible verses children are learning would become alive in their lives.
- For the ringers as they prepare for their Christmas concert. They have been invited, as guests, to perform at the Gloucester County Children's Choir Christmas concert. The Christian Bell Choir of Burlington will join us for a Christmas concert and, we look forward to our Annual Christmas Buffet and Concert.
- Pray for us as we continue to develop a relationship with Pyne Poynt Middle School in Camden. We
 thank the Lord for initiating this outreach by opening the door to minister through the summer music program.

Thank you for laboring with us through prayer.



"Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.

Matthew 25:37-40

Cultivating Young Leaders

Through The Discipline Of Music Training