

# KidCare America Connection

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## *Shocking Results Reveals a Greater Need for After-School Programs!*

One of the biggest retailers in the country, JC Penny, funded a study to understand the need that existed in America for After-School Programs.

The results revealed an opportunity for the local church to reach their community with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

The research discovered that **18.5 million families** in America would put their children in an After-School program if there were one available.

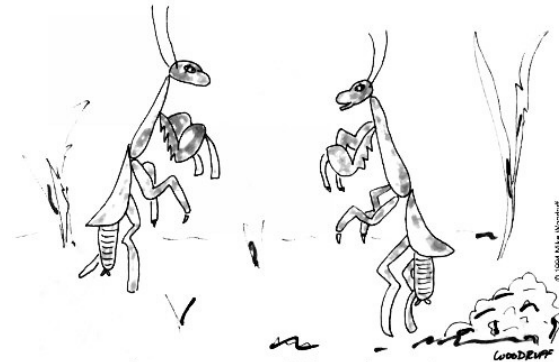
*One in four students in America are unsupervised from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.*

Translate that into your community and that means there are families now waiting for someone to open their doors for their children after-school!

Imagine your Church staying open longer and later for community outreach through an After-School program.

To learn more about how your church can start an After-School Program download an information packet at [www.kidcareamerica.org](http://www.kidcareamerica.org).

We can help you "Catch the Kids before the Street Does."



"Sure, everyone thinks we're praying, but do any of us actually make the time for it?"

## *Thank You for Your Investment!*

On behalf of the hundreds of families across this Nation who have a safe, nurturing, and enriching place to go after-school to send their kids, we want to say **Thank You for investing through missions into KidCare America/Thrive Student Centers.**

Recently, at one of the KidCare America Centers, a single Mom told the Director, with tears streaming down her face, **"I don't know what I ever did without a place like this."** The Director told us later that because of the mentors and volunteers at the Center, the entire family is now attending church every week.

This family is changed because of your faithful monthly giving. **Thank You for**

***being part of our Ministry Support Team!***

New Centers are opening in rural, suburban, and urban areas across this Nation, however, that would not be possible without you. You are making a difference in the harvest that is truly white and ready to be reached. The after-school harvest!

Thank you for giving,

Mike and Nancy  
Your Missionaries to America!



"Welcome, O weary searcher for truth!  
Say, have you ever worked with kids?"

***We are Expanding!***

After 30 years of full-time ministry, 10 of which has been spent leading the KidCare America missions ministry, we have discovered that there are many challenges facing Churches and Pastors. ***There is a real need to develop the capacity of Churches and Pastors in our nation.***

To meet that need we are adding to our current missions ministry a Ministry Coaching/Consulting component .

Many things have confirmed this addition to our ministry. First is our transfer as Missionaries to the Church

***1+1=1***

***Two Missions  
One Ministry!***

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Department. We are Nationally Appointed Church Development US Missionaries. The work that is done by missionaries in this area is something that affirms what we have been doing with KidCare America and now with the capacity building we will do with Churches and Pastors.

The second is my passion and education as an Organizational Psychologist. I received my PhD to help Churches and Pastors with coaching, team building, board development, individual and organizational assessment, plus so much more.

***We will now have two ministries with one mission.*** KidCare America After-School Ministry plus, Ministry Coaching/Consulting. Both will strengthen the local church and leaders across the Nation to reach and develop more people in Christ.

You can read more about this expansion at [kidcareamerica.org](http://kidcareamerica.org) or [dr mikeferguson.com](http://dr mikeferguson.com). It is my hope that we can help you as a church leader expand your capacity to lead and build the Kingdom of God.

To learn more go to our website.

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