

I'M GLAD I'M A TEACHER!

Have you ever come from church services, saying to yourself, “Where are these great spiritual blessings they tell us Christ gives? Why can’t I feel more uplifted and filled when I come home from church services?” There may be reasons, and our prayers to God must be that He helps us find the things we need through the Scriptures. One of the reasons, possibly, is our failure to grasp the opportunity – even the responsibility – that each of us is given to be a teacher of the Word and of divine things.

How many times have I heard a fellow Christian say, “Oh, you mean you teach a class of little kids? Oh, you poor thing, you must be a glutton for punishment!” My mental reaction to such a statement is “You poor thing, if you have never tried it, you don’t know the wealth of blessings you are missing!”

Poor thing indeed! There are few moments so precious as seeing the dancing eyes of a little child as he sees the big fish (made of a bleach bottle) literal swallow up Jonah (a puppet). And then, how gratifying it is to see relief come, and his whole body relax and settle against the chair when he sees that *“God took care of Jonah and He will take care of me, too – if I obey Him.”* Or to experience the thrill of an excited voice of a little one tugging at mother or daddy to *“come see the ten lepers Jesus made well!”*

Me a poor thing? When I hear from three rows back the loud whisper, “Mommy, that’s my teacher”... or when I receive the most moving, most enjoyable, most bliss-filled hour of the week, I wouldn’t trade that for a comfortable chair in a quiet adult classroom. And who knows, that Bible class you teach may lead someone to heaven that otherwise might not have seen the way. Sorry, friend, that poor thing isn’t me!

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We want to thank all those who teach here at Rockwood:

On Sunday morning

2-4 year olds: Mandy Evans & Cindy Bear

Kindergarten & 1st grade: Dusty Hinds

2nd grade: Stacie Brackett

3rd-5th grade: Julie McCreary

Middle School: Larry Brackett

High School: Roger & Marie Carter

Auditorium class: Kendall Bear

Young Women’s class: Amanda Joy Houston
& Marie Carter

On Wednesday evening

Kristy Taylor with Kelsey Webster &
Shelley Jones

Marie Carter

Susan Thomas

Melissa Carter

Steve McCreary

Kendall & Cindy Bear

Todd Houston

Adult class: Don Chandler