

Alma School Road
(on the SE corner of
Alma School and
Southern Ave.

We typically spend
about an hour or so
cleaning the family
visitation rooms and
the toys that the
children play with
while they are there.

Please join us and be
a part of this blessing
we bring to these
children, to their
families and to the
tireless workers at
DCS.

Foster Care Teens Personal Care Items

1 Youth is continuing
to collect "Personal
Care Items" for the
teens in foster care
throughout the year.
Items for both male
and female teens are
being collected in the
two bins just outside
our youth room. These
items will be sorted
into personal bags and
given to DCS to be
distributed to teens
who may not even
have their own tooth
brush or comb.

Whenever you're out
shopping for your own
personal care items
such as soap,
deodorant, tooth paste,
feminine hygiene items
or when you see the
"travel size" shampoo,
mouthwash, etc., pick
up a few extra items
and drop them in the
bins.

Help share God's love
by letting these teens
know that somebody
really does care about
them.

world (or Satan) can throw our way which can sometimes
lead to tragedy.

Sometimes the masks people wear hide feelings of great
sadness, hopelessness, depression, or even suicide.

We said that suicide is the 3rd leading cause of teen death in
the U.S. In the East Valley alone, 30 teens have died from
suicide in just the past 15 months. Teens interviewed after
attempting suicide often say that the reason they wanted to
kill themselves was feelings of worthlessness, hopelessness,
or having no value. Many times they hide these feelings
from others behind a mask.

Always remember that God's Word says that you are each a
masterpiece, unique, amazing, fearfully & wonderfully
made, created by God in His image and filled with the Holy
Spirit to accomplish God's purpose for you. You have the
Power and the Authority to overcome whatever life throws at
you.

Another thing that wearing a mask can do is hiding our
identity as Christians. Jesus tells us that we are the light of
the world that should not be hidden but should be shown to
the world sharing God's love everywhere we can to bring
others to His saving Grace.

If you know someone or see someone who may be hiding
behind a mask or even openly showing feelings of
hopelessness, despair, or depression, take a moment to show
them the love of God and let your light shine on them.

So, **Take Off Your Mask**, be who you are, be who God
created you to be, receive the power and authority given to
you and let the world see who you really are as a Child of
God and let your light shine bright on a hill for all to see.

Watch for our next event here!

If you haven't already heard, **Winter Jam** is sadly NOT
coming out our way this year.

We are planning on putting together some Friday,
movie nights in the near future and possibly looking
into some different concerts.

Bible verses referenced in this lesson: Hebrews 13:8, James 1:17, 2 Corinthians 1:20, John 13:35, Matthew 5:14-16, Genesis 1:27-28, Mark 5:6-8, Matthew 28:18-20

Let us know if you have any questions.

Have a blessed Week,

Chris & Michelle Miller

1 Youth Ministry