

# SLINGSHOTS

*Helping teens hit their target.*

A golden robot with a human-like form is holding a glowing globe of the Earth. The globe is positioned as if it were a target, with a golden arrow pointing towards it from the upper right. The robot's hands are positioned to hold the globe from the bottom and sides.

Hello Slingshots Friends!

Your support is helping Slingshots help teens. We had quite a bit happen in January. Let me share a few things that happened:

**1. Club Nights.** We are in the middle of a *Crash course on the Bible* series. We have talked about Creation, Adam and Eve, Noah, the flood, Joseph, and Abraham. Over the next few weeks we will talk about Moses, Jonah, Daniel, and then get into the New Testament. We are also introducing a monthly memory verse. This month is *Psalms 118:6 - "The Lord is with me; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?"*

Teens are asking great questions, reading the Bible, and quoting our memory verse to us! What a pleasant surprise to hear a teen quote it as they walk out the door on a different night of the week than Thursday.

**2. Bird Houses.** Teens built bird houses after school. We are looking to do different projects like this that will break up the daily routine after school. We are open to project ideas that will not cost a lot of money. The Bird houses we kits that we made out of scrap wood from Bob's garage so the project didn't cost anything. Another project that some of the teens got involved in was making a ring out of a quarter. Each ring took about an hour. They transformed a quarter into a wearable ring. the project only cost....a quarter!

**3. After School.** Teens come every day after school. We have some regulars that are at Slingshots Monday - Friday from open to close. We also have some that come a couple times a week for just a couple hours. Teens do homework, play games - taking a break from school, play instruments, challenge Bob and Jenn at Ping-pong, get a snack and talk to us about life. Bob and Jenn are able to represent Jesus character in front of teens that have not had a Godly example.

**4. Volunteers.** We have gained a few new volunteers both at Club night and after school. We are in need of several more after school volunteers. The afternoons have consisted lately of 25-45 teens. We need people that will be consistent Godly examples in the life of teens.

**5. Screen printing.** We were able to get some equipment for screen printing. We still need a flash dryer, exposure light box, some ink, a printer and a few other items before we are ready to print. That means that we will soon be able to teach teens how to print our own Slingshots T-Shirts. This will save money and teach teens a trade. If you have any connections with screen printing equipment please help get them in touch with Bob. Maybe they have a basement full of equipment that they no longer want or need and would like to donate it to Slingshots.

## **Bobbapalooza! March 27th**

Save the Date! We are bringing back Bobbapalooza Friday night at 7 p.m. We are looking for 5-6 high school bands to play. We have two bands already. It will be a teen-only audience. We are looking for a few

volunteers for the night to be an adult presence, hang with teens, and be positive influence. We are excited to be able to start teen band night and have a safe place for teens to play. If you can help that night please let us know.

We are still needing more supporters who can give monthly. There are also a few from whom we did not receive a January payment. Please feel free to lump that in with your February support.

### **Monthly Support**

We want to thank you for your monthly support. Together we are helping teens and their families. Together we are sharing the message of Jesus with others.

Please continue praying for additional support. We are in need of some larger donations and an increase in our monthly supporters. Please share the ministry of Slingshots with others and encourage them to support this great ministry. You can share our website [www.slingshotschicago.com](http://www.slingshotschicago.com) - they can donate on our website or send checks in the mail. You can also give them Bob's cell number if they have any questions ([847-873-4762](tel:847-873-4762)).

***Monthly Supporters: If you forgot to send in your January support you can include that with your February support.***

Thank you very much for helping teens hit their target! It could not happen without you!

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