



## JUNE 2016 NEWSLETTER

Slingshots

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## Hi Slingshots Friends!

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Teens in Chicago have a place to go after school and in the summer! Teens have a place to go because of generous individuals and churches willing to invest in the ministry of Slingshots. Slingshots continue to concentrate on spiritual growth, education, vocational training and emotional support. The mission of Slingshots is helping teens hit their target in life. Recently report cards and grades have come out and we have been able to celebrate with some but have had to give some guidance and encouragement to those students who did not do so well this year. The teens that come to Slingshots have found that the staff and volunteers are there to help them in all areas of life.

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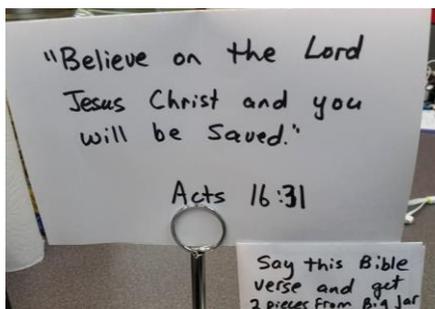
Recently the 1000<sup>th</sup> teen came to Slingshots in just a year and a half. Every week new teens come to see what is happening at Slingshots. In the last 5 months we have been able to give away over 1000 items of clothing to teens via our Slingshots boutique. The boutique is used to teach fashion merchandising and the clothes are given away to teens in the community. Slingshots accept new and gently used shoes and clothing donations.



## Volunteers

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Please pray that God will bring the volunteers needed. We are not looking for people just to be at Slingshots but people to really invest in the lives of teens. If you would like to volunteer please email Bob and Heather at [slingshotschicago@gmail.com](mailto:slingshotschicago@gmail.com)



## The Bible

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The Bible is taught at Slingshots! Recently we started having a verse for the week. Teens are challenged to memorize a Bible verse and say it to an adult at the snack shop. It is great to hear teens memorizing God's Word. We continue to have 5 @ 5 on a daily basis where teens listen to a Bible challenge at 5:00. Every Tuesday is Bible study and Ice cream. So far we have studied the book of John and Ephesians. Students open the Bible, read it and discuss it

## Meet some Slingshots teens

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**Name:** Seth Jordan-15

**Hobbies:** Football, video games, and Hanging out with Bob.

**Family:** Mom, Dad and three brothers. Mom works at IHOP and Bargain Box. Dad works at Little Caesars and Walmart.

**Why do you come to Slingshots?**  
To hang out with my friends.

**Future plans:** NFL football player, or WWE Superstar.

**What is the biggest challenge for teens today?** Alcohol and Drugs



**Name:** Daron James-15

**Hobbies:** Music, Art, and Software development.

**Family:** I live with my mom and sister (younger age 8). My mom is a graphic designer and book cover designer.

**Why do you come to Slingshots?**  
It is FUN!!! The people are insane

**Future plans:** Software Developer, or Game designer.

**What is the biggest challenge for teens today?** Staying Focused... way too much drama today in school.



**Name:** Kayla Sims-16

**Hobbies:** Playing "Sims" and volleyball

**Family:** Mom and Dad. Dad works for a catering company. Mom is an assistant.

**Why do you come to Slingshots?**  
Because it is FUN!!!

**Future plans:** Become a singer

**What is the biggest challenge for teens today?** Keeping up grades and keeping a social life too!

## Summer hours

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Slingshots will be open for the summer from 2:00 – 6:00 starting June 27<sup>th</sup>. We will continue with our student leadership every other Mondays, Bible study every Tuesday, carpentry and fashion merchandising training along with some other wonderful theme days. This summer will be great at Slingshots!

## Financial Support

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We are so thankful for the generous contributions of many. If you are not currently a monthly supporter would you consider joining our team of monthly supporters? We are still in need of funds to fully operate our current location. We continue to pray for future locations and this will take funds to staff and pay the necessary bills in order to operate out of vision. Please consider a gift to Slingshots so that we can **help teens hit their target in life**.

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