Happy New Year!

January commences our church wide fast where we are invited to intentionally slow down, to hear from God and seek Him corporately and individually.

I recently heard a colleague share about receiving a "system upgrade" from God. Like the upgrade notification you get from your smart phone or computer. Why is an upgrade necessary and what does that have to do with our lives and our families. At times, God invites us for an upgrade because He wants to bring us into a new level and be even more aligned with Him, His heart and His will. The old system can no longer support what the new system will provide with all its new features. In order to experience the fullness of this new system, it requires us to be intentional and have the courage to release the old system and say 'YES' to the new.

Do you believe God wants to give you a 'system upgrade' for you and your family for 2019? I know for myself, so often in my family we go through the same routines, thinking patterns, the way we relate to each other and I think, 'it's going to be the same thing again, things are never going to change.'

I want to encourage you, to prepare to click "YES" as you slow down to seek and hear from God for you and your family.

Blessings, Carmen (K4C Administrator)

We have a free resource you can pick up at our resource table on Sunday that can serve as a tool to help you and your family to discuss areas where you can intentionally spend time together.
This month, the older children will make the connection between self-control and God's character as shown through God's big story. As they follow Jesus, His love transforms them. His Spirit gives them the power to show self-control. They are empowered to choose to do what they should do—instead of what they want to do.

Life can be tough even for our little preschoolers. Even though they have no problem telling you what they need, having a friend like Jesus who knows them, loves them, and has the power to help them can truly change their lives. "I need Jesus' is the focus for this month. And there is no better friend than Jesus for our children.

**December Recap**

We've had a busy but exciting past month at K4C celebrating the birth of our savior Jesus. Here's some highlights!

The children raised a total of $1275.80 for Viva Network to support a Christmas Party for vulnerable children. Thank you children and families for your hard work and generosity!

**Bottom Line:**
I need Jesus.

**Memory Verse:**
“You are everything I need.”
Psalm 119:57, NIV

**Dates to Remember**

- Jan 7-21: Church Wide Fast
- Feb 13: Newcomers' Evening
- Mar 10: Beach Baptism

(If your child is interested getting baptized, please request for a Baptism for Children Booklet at the K4C Desk for more information)