



From the desk of
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Dear Partner in ministry,

From a religious perspective, my childhood was very confusing. At the very time I should have been learning that God was good and that God loved me, I was being told something very different.

That's why I am so excited about what It Is Written is doing right now.

I was blessed to have a wonderful mother, who was kind and loving, and a hard-working father who was a man of deep integrity. My siblings and I were taught the values common to my parents' generation, and my father had each of the seven Bradshaw children with him in church every Sunday. But the older I got, the more confused I became by what I was learning in church and at my church school.

As a young Catholic, I was taught exactly what you would expect: The pope was infallible; we should pray not only to God, but also to Mary and a multitude of saints; those who died went to heaven, purgatory, or an eternally-burning hell; we should confess our sins to a priest; that to miss mass on Sunday was a mortal sin... and so on. Even as a child, the teachings of my church were confusing and contradictory and, I believe, responsible for almost all of my classmates turning their back on God.

I desperately wanted to go to heaven, but I was confused and felt hopeless. I wanted to honor God and live a good life, but I had no idea at all as to how that was possible.

Between then and now I was blessed to encounter the God of the Bible, and **I am now determined to see as many children as possible receive clear, biblical, and accurate teaching about Jesus.** I don't want another child to live in the kind of confusion I did, unable to reconcile the love of God with eternal torment, penance, and praying to saints.

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Children travel enthusiastically through the Flight 3:16 pilot events, learning about Jesus and making lasting connections with local church members.



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This is why my wife, Melissa, has developed an exciting program for children to help them experience the goodness, mercy, and love of God. Flight 3:16 is a brand-new Vacation Bible School, just released for use this summer and beyond. I am looking forward to seeing churches across the country and around the world use this excellent resource to reach their community—especially the children in their community—with the exciting news of the gospel.

Flight 3:16 takes children around the world on an adventure of Bible discovery, visiting different countries, learning about various cultures, and, most importantly, meeting Jesus in a personal way. It is exactly the sort of program I wish I had been able to attend when I was a child. I was filled with fear and apprehension about God and my eternal destiny, and I don't want any child to have that terrible experience.

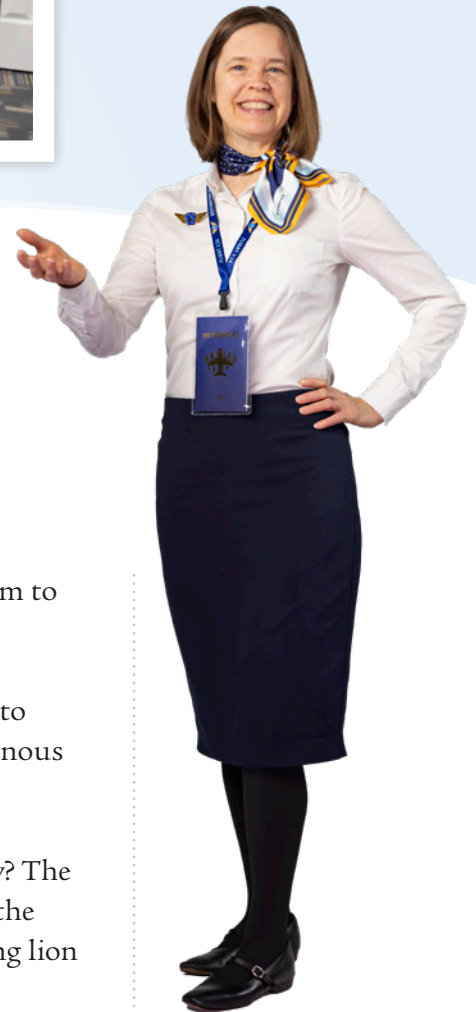
It is your support of It Is Written that has made Flight 3:16 possible. In recent years, Melissa has led in the creation of Buried Treasure, our evangelism program especially for children; the *My Place With Jesus Bible Guides*, which countless young people have studied to come to know Jesus; the *My Place With Jesus Bible*, a beautiful Bible which children love to read; and much more.

Your donation to It Is Written this month will enable us to produce even more resources for children. We have more exciting projects in the works right now that will be a blessing to children all around the world, as well as to teachers looking for



Children enjoy crafts that apply daily Bible lessons in a fun way.

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Melissa Bradshaw,
children's ministries
director

wonderful, Christ-centered material they can share with children to lead them to Jesus and the cross.

The odds against today's children are overwhelming. Children today seem to have virtually limitless access to destructive games, movies, and utterly ruinous online content.

Will you help me today to give our children a chance in the great controversy? The Bible urges us to “train up a child” (Proverbs 22:6), and we must. Satan is at the top of his game, and so many children don't have a chance against the roaring lion “seeking whom he may devour” (1 Peter 5:8).

With your help, we can reach more children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren with the message of the love of God and the great truths of the Bible. Flight 3:16 is yet another wonderful tool that is going to bless the lives of countless children and direct them into the arms of Jesus. In the fun yet spiritual environment of Flight 3:16, children will study the Bible, learn Scripture songs, and become acquainted with the best friend they will ever have: Jesus.

It has taken Melissa and others on our team an immense amount of work to produce this exciting new resource. “I am so glad our team has been able to produce Flight 3:16,” Melissa said. “I was reached with the gospel while still a child. If I had not been... well, I shudder to think what would have become of my life. God

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has been so good to me. I want to work with Him to reach more and more children while there is still time.”

This month, your investment in It Is Written is an investment in the lives of children, children who desperately need Jesus, children who will grow in the direction of heaven. **As hard as the devil is fighting for the eternal destiny of our children, we surely must fight back.**

Thank you for standing with me for our children. Your gift this month will make a heavenly difference for children everywhere.

May God bless and keep you.

Sincerely,



Pastor John Bradshaw
President, It Is Written

P.S. While Satan is destroying the lives of so many children today, It Is Written is fighting back. Driven by the Holy Spirit, and determined to reach as many children as we possibly can, It Is Written has produced a brand-new Vacation Bible School, Flight 3:16. In Flight 3:16, children will travel the world virtually, visiting fascinating locations and learning about their world and its Creator. Thank you for investing in the eternal destiny of children. Your gift this month will enable us to produce more desperately-needed resources for children. Jesus said, “Let the little children come to Me” (Luke 18:16). Your support of It Is Written this month will lead children safely into the arms of Jesus.

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