



# FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

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## All things...

Dear BCA Families,

I hope this email finds you and your family well. I am utterly shocked by the toll this sickness has taken on our BCA community. At the same time, I rest knowing that God is at work for the believer's good. Even in this. For Romans 8:28 says, "And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose."



It is a good time to reflect on this truth. Isn't it always?

I have seen the various ways our teachers have loved and served our school, and the words they have used to communicate with you. I am so thankful. God's goodness is all around! I cherish the reminders of things that matter. It is easy to be short-sighted, especially during difficulty. I want to share some quotes from some of our teachers' emails and texts to their classes and each other during this past week:

*"...I left the building praising God for the beautiful reflection of unity I witnessed as well. Please know your students are loved by so many within these walls... In sickness, I saw our "BCA family" at work."*

*"I know this closure has been hard and inconvenient. I'm thankful that even as adults, we have to do hard things sometimes too. What a beautiful lesson for our kids."*

*"If you need extra resources, feel free to message me at any point!"*

*"I have been and will continue to be praying for the health of each of your families. The virus we've seen has been hard on a lot of you, I know."*

*"I am willing to do whatever I can to help our school get and stay healthy."*

*And then there's a plethora of sentiments like: I'm so sorry... How can I help... I've cleaned such and such... Do you need me to... I'm happy to... and of course... praying for our students.*

I feel I get a front row seat to the big hearted picture of BCA. And that's not even mentioning the support from YOU we've received this week, families. Thank you! Thank you for your prayers, offers to help clean, and expressions of sorrow for this trying week. I am confident in the shared assurance that we can have knowing that God is at work

in all these things. His word says so. He's so kind to allow us to witness and see some of the fruit He has produced in the lives of others and even to be blessed by it.

As I write, I am reminded of some of the day-to-day things I can sometimes be a little shortsighted on. Will you wonder with me, remember what matters most, and consider how...

- Through deep literature studies, students might learn to meditate upon the Word of God deeply;
- As students practice reading and thinking, they might learn to use their reading and thinking skills when it comes to Scripture- to consider tense, vocabulary, original language, context, genre, and people as they ponder His words and become renewed by them;
- As they learn to pause and savor good books, they might grow to know how to pause and savor the words of their Daily Bread;
- As they consider what they want to display and communicate for a poster project, God might use those types of experiences to grow their ability to communicate the Gospel clearly;
- As they shoulder the stress that can come with giving a speech, talking in front of class, or participating in show and tell, they might learn to think of their audience more than themselves and I pray that these assignments are used to mature their courage and boldness and bolster their resolve to proclaim the excellencies of Christ;
- As they sit and listen to teachers and each other, will their listening skills develop in a way that helps them understand that our own voices aren't the most important ones at every moment in time?;
- As they study history, and science, and math, and everything else, will they see and recognize God's sovereignty in it all and in their own life and circumstances?;
- As they/we laugh and cry and get mad and aggravated and profess satisfaction and dissatisfaction and agree and disagree and every other emotion under the sun, I pray they/we learn to speak with and listen to and pray with and for their brothers and sisters in Christ, and may God grow our brotherly love more and more as time goes on and on, and may He transform our speech so that our words speak life;
- As we attend this school together with Christians from various walks of life and churches, let's pray that the brotherly love that is nurtured and purposefully pursued here adds to the ways they are learning to love their families, the Church, and their church.



Let us be thankful in ALL THINGS for the present ministry of the Holy Spirit in, by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a Godly life **to the praise and glory of His name!**

Soli Deo Gloria,

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