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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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Please have someone contact me to get started.

Age group you are interested in mentoring:

K - 3rd  4th - 8th  9th - 12th

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Skill/Talent: \_\_\_\_\_

Time I can commit: \_\_\_\_\_

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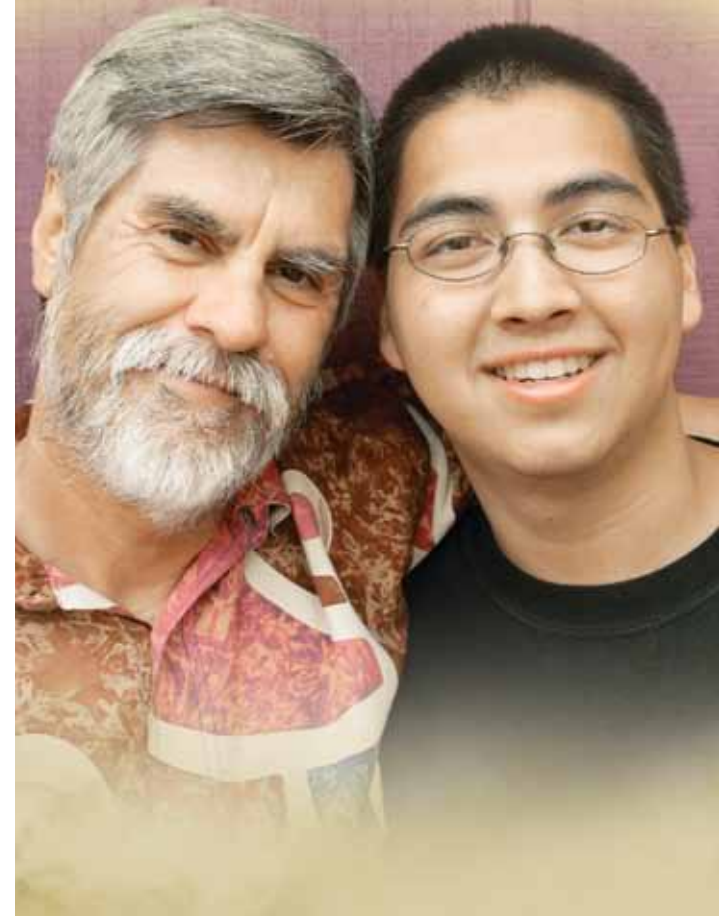
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# KIDS

Kids living in poverty and crisis in the Texas Hill Country face many challenges. Some are grappling with relationships, often making poor choices of who they associate with. They feel lonely and forgotten. They often believe that God couldn't possibly care about who they are let alone love them as they are.

Their families are distracted as they strive to make ends meet and recognize that their children are struggling as well. Their children are not thriving educationally simply because the family is in crisis.

Together, families and kids are asking for mentors to come and walk alongside them.

Fatherless youth are the most at risk to join gangs, become pregnant, use drugs and drop out of school

85% of all young boys in prison grew up without a father

Samantha, 13

David, 10

71% of all dropouts are from fatherless homes.

Kids are waiting for a mentor, they soon will look to fill that void with something else.

# STAND BY ME MENTORING

A ministry of Hill Country Daily Bread Ministries

Stand By Me is a mentoring program that works! When matched with Christian adults, kids' lives are being transformed!

- **Spiritually**- modeling Christ's love to kids
  - **Educationally**- added accountability improves grades and attendance
  - **Emotionally**- trusting friendships build character
- Additionally, Stand By Me frames its program with seven standards for success.
- **Mentor Support**- mentor/mentee management
  - **Summer Camp**- Christian camping for mentee
  - **Summer Academy**- academic recovery program
  - **Training**- mentor and staff development
  - **Enrichment**- life skills opportunities
  - **Celebrations**- recognition and appreciation events
  - **Family Assistance**- family mentors and resources through HCDBM provide stability and connections

## THEY NEED YOU!

We have a list of kids waiting for a mentor.

These are kids who have sought out - on their own - a positive role model to be in their lives to help and encourage them... now we just need a mentor to step forward and help change their life.

*Are you that person?*

**One hour a week can reshape a child's life.**

Many Texas Hill Country children are faced daily with poverty, academic struggles, and lack of spiritual guidance. Without a positive role model alongside them, they make choices that reflect these conditions. You have an opportunity to pass wisdom on to this next generation. What happens when we choose not to get involved?

**Can you give up 1 hour a week of... TV, Facebook, coffee shop, shopping?**

Most of us have an hour to give. This seemingly small sacrifice of your time can transform a child's life. Think what a difference you can make!

# MENTORS

Those who choose to Stand By Kids

The heart of Stand By Me is the mentors. We are looking for mentors who are willing to spend time with a kid who needs someone to talk to, to take them fishing, teach them to throw a ball or bake some cookies. Someone to tell them they are proud of them and are worthy of being loved.

Mentors are ordinary folks. There is nothing special about them except that they love Jesus and desire for kids in their community to know and love Jesus as well.

*We loved you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well, because you had become so dear to us.*

1 Thessalonians 2:8

"I just wanted someone to talk to about life."

Christina, 15

"I thought it was only about me helping him. It has become a relationship, bringing out the best in both of us."

Richard, 12

"I am so thankful for the chance to share my life with this precious young lady."

"He attended my games when no one else did."