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*"I am not concerned that you have fallen — I am concerned that you arise."
– Abraham Lincoln*

Dear Partners and Friends,

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We are so very grateful to each of you for your support in prayers and donations.

It is exciting that the schedule is filling for teaching Powerful Choices. Our reach has grown with the following schools, youth groups and clubs:

- Alburnett Community School District
- Boys/Girls Club, Cedar Rapids and Marion
- Cedar Valley Christian School
- Faith Academy
- Marion Home School
- Mt Zion Baptist Youth
- North Linn Community School District

Our work with these areas of our community include:

Staff:

Ruth A Eccles BSN MSN
Executive Director

Janice Gadberry MA
Project Coordinator

Shakira Releford MA
Education Coordinator

Beth Telecky MA
Educator

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Educator

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- Parent meetings during parent/teacher conferences to share the intent of the lessons of Powerful Choices.
- Powerful Choices lessons are received by middle school aged students.
- Community events - A 'health fair' that includes a guest motivational speaker and resource agencies' sharing their availability.
- Service projects that involve youth, families and positive adults.

Enclosed is the new brochure. Please share it with friends, family and neighbors.

Please continue to pray:

- That staff will be hired to meet the demand for additional scheduling.
- That the 1st quarter reports for the federal grantors will be well received and fulfill the requirements of our grants.
- That our work will encourage youth, families and community members to develop positive character traits and to build assets that provide successful relationships.

The Staff and Directors of Equipping Youth