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What's in a Name?

- by Jim Pokorny

Several months ago, my boss attended a workshop on appropriate workplace behavior. Upon his return, he told us about it and gave each of us a small red flag affixed to a plastic stick. The idea was that any time one of us heard something that "could possibly be considered offensive", we were to wave our little red flag rather than confront the individual directly. I am happy to say that no one in our office has done so and almost every flag has vanished. All of which supports my opinion that people are now too easily offended.

The great William Shakespeare once posed the question: "What's in a name?" It is probably safe to say that the Noble Bard probably never met a Pokorny, or any other person of Czech descent, in his lifetime. Although I share the name with family members, I grew up thinking that it was a rather unique name. So many people have struggled with it over the years. It has been misspelled in some rather creative ways. I have heard it mispronounced so many ways that sometimes

I wonder if I am saying it correctly myself. I have likened it to a speed bump that keeps people from reading or speaking too quickly. I am certain many can relate to this, as well.

Back in my school days, I always enjoyed it when we had a substitute teacher. I especially looked forward to roll call. I eagerly anticipated that moment when they would get to my name, pause, and punt – frequently badly. I wanted to respond in game show host fashion and say "I'm sorry. That's incorrect. Thank you for playing. We have some lovely parting gifts for you."

It wasn't until I met an exchange student from the Czech lands years ago that I found out the name was not as unique as I believed. According to one website I looked at, 1 in 963 people in today's Czech Republic has the name Pokorny. This student also reminded me that my name translates as "humble". I must admit that I am still working on that.

One example from scripture can be found in the book of James.



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For example, in English we read . . . James 4:6 (KJV) - *But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, "God resisted the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble."*

The Czech translation follows . . . *Ale dává nám více milosti. Proto Písmo říká, "Bůh je proti hrdým, ale projevuje laskavost pokorným."*

But, every now and again the chance to put humility into practice arises along with my name. This most recently happened on a Saturday in February as I was running errands. I encountered three couples who were inviting people to visit their church. One gentleman approached me and handed me a card with his church's name and worship schedule. Coincidentally, he introduced himself as Jim.

I replied that he and I shared the same first name. I added that I was familiar with his church and knew some of the people who worship there. I then added that I had even attended a few of their fundraisers over the years. After telling him I worship at the Taylor Brethren Church, we took turns asking each other about people we both knew.

It was at this point that the man's wife walked over to join us. The man

introduced me as "another Jim" and told her of my church affiliation. At this juncture she asked for my last name, which I offered. Her response was more than a bit humbling. "Oh," she replied enthusiastically, "you people are like rats! You're everywhere around here!"

Fortunately, God blessed me with a sense of humor. Rather than take offense, I decided to look for the humor in the situation. I smiled, placed my hand on her shoulder and stated, "You know, when you're inviting people to church, you might want to re-think your approach." At this her husband began laughing uncontrollably and was completely useless for at least two minutes.

We live in an age where people take offense all too easily. Even in the professional world it seems like we are required to walk on eggshells around each other for fear of getting reprimanded by Human Resources.

Still, I remain convinced that a sense of humor is a blessing from God. He must have known we would need it. So, rather than take offense, just look for the humor in the situation. It is there if we but relax and look for it.

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Holy Communion on 1st Sunday.
Guest speaker on 4th Sunday.
– Rev. John Kueker

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lifeatcbc.org for spiritual resources,
events, videos, & more! Friend us on
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– Rev. Vanessa Mitchell

Crosby – 9 AM: Worship
10 AM: Faith Adventure
– Dr. Larry Koslovsky

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– Rev. Kay Polasek

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Sunday except the 5th Sunday. Sunday
School at 9:30 AM.
– Visiting Ministers

Good Shepherd Moravian – Worship at
11:30 AM and 6:30 PM every Sunday.
– Rev. Adolfo Gonzalez

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– Visiting Ministers

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17. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. I John 2:2
18. He was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification. Rom 4:25
19. **For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but may have eternal life. John 3:16**
20. But God proves His love for us in that while we still were sinners, Christ died for us. Rom. 5:7
21. Therefore we have been buried with Him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. Rom. 6:4
22. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. Rom. 6:9
23. If the Spirit of Him Who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He Who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through His Spirit that dwells in you. Rom. 8:11
24. It is Christ Jesus Who died, yes, Who was raised, Who is at the right hand of God, Who indeed intercedes for us. Rom. 8:34
25. In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace. Eph. 1:7
26. **If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. Rom. 10:9**
27. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. Eph. 2:13
28. He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Phil. 2:8
29. {He} erased the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. Col. 2:14
30. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with Him those who have died. I Thess. 4:14

Granger Brethren Christian Sisters Quilting God's Stitching Hands

March 19, 2020, marked the first anniversary of God's Stitching Hands, the quilting, stitching, crafting group of Christian Sisters of the Granger Brethren Church. This group of 10 ladies meet every Tuesday from 9:30 to 4:30. In their first year they quilted a large quilt, two queen-sized quilts, numerous child quilts and wall hangings for their Fall raffle and Craft Show, enabling them to make a substantial contribution to the fund for repairs and painting of the church.

The ladies also quilted donations for the Granger 4-H and FFA fundraiser and the Granger Volunteer Fire De-

partment benefit. Craft items were also made and donated to Project Celebration benefitting the Senior Class of Granger High School, and Dell Children's Hospital in Round Rock.

Talent and great ideas flow from this group. Two of our never-before quilters have designed, pieced, and quilted their own creations. Various craft ideas have been shared, with many coming to fruition as group projects. God's Stitching Hands has great plans for projects that will benefit the church, the community, and those beyond for years to come.



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In Christ's Love . . . From the Foreign Mission Fields

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February 22, 2020

I'm Not a Shaman

Dear friends,

We are back in Tlaxiaco, after eight weeks of travel. We visited Anne's parents in Florida for Christmas, and both sets of kids in Atlanta for New Year's, and then spent five weeks in North Carolina with supporting churches and friends. We were home for less than 24 hours before heading to Guerrero, the state west of us. We did have a special Valentines meal, in the middle of the six-hour drive over.

We spent the first night with our Mixtec pastor friend, Isaul. One of the projects there was to get running water in his house. We rigged up a sump pump from his above-ground cistern, and a small holding tank in

the bathroom. In April I will go back and put in actual pipe and taps and a pressure switch. Isaul is one of our heroes in the indigenous area, selflessly (and with very little income) serving several churches both in the city and out in the Mixtec area. I'm glad there are these little ways to help him out.

Then we drove another couple hours to Atlamajalcingo where Ragib and Fabi are living in a Mixtec area, building relationships and learning language, and a couple days later to Moyo, a Me'phaa village where Elias and Celi are doing the same. Both families are part of Sin Fronteras, and Anne is coaching them in language learning. They've received the basic teaching here in Tlaxiaco, but infield mentoring is what most people really need.

When we first arrived in Moyo, Elias (who is serving a year-long village duty of being a watchman –



DAILY BIBLE READING GUIDE

Daily Morsels for April 2020

By Mari-Anne Kocian Gordon and Dorothy E. Kocian

From the *Holy Bible New Revised Standard Version*, slightly modified.

Sundays in bold.

1. Draw near to the altar and sacrifice your sin offering and your burnt offering, and make atonement for yourself and for the people. Lev. 9:7
2. You shall celebrate... times of holy convocation, for presenting to the LORD offerings by fire – burnt offerings and grain offerings, sacrifices and drink offerings, each on its proper day. Lev. 23:37
3. If {an animal} has any defect – any serious defect, such as lameness or blindness – you shall not sacrifice it to the LORD your God. Deut. 15:21
4. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, You will not despise. Ps. 51:17
5. **Hosanna! Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord!** Mark 11:10
6. The stone the builders rejected has become the Cornerstone. Mark 12:10
7. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. Mark 12:28
8. A woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. Mark 14:3b
9. He said to them, "This is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many." Mark 14:24
10. Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed His last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Mark 15:37-38
11. For God alone my soul waits in silence; from Him comes my salvation. Ps. 62:1
12. **He is not here but has risen.** Luke 24:5b
13. Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life." John 11:25a
14. I want to know Christ and the power of His resurrection. Phil. 3:10a
15. I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one comes to the Father except by Me. John 14:6
16. These are the words of the First and the Last, Who was dead and came to life. Rev. 2:8



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April 12, 2020 – Resurrection Sunday. Happy Easter!

April 25, 2020 – The 50th Beinniel Christian Sisters' Union Convention at the Hus Encampment – See invitation in this issue.

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sometimes 12 hours a day) introduced us to Felipe, one of the town authorities. (Often these villages require this of newcomers. Remember, these villages are unreached, and quite suspicious of outsiders, with good reason.)

Felipe has been confiding in Elias for a while now about his alcohol problem, wanting help. The second day Felipe came by the house early and drank a coffee with us, alluding to his problem again. He was wanting me to pray for him, which seems great, no?

These situations always put me in a difficult position, because of the local worldview about God and his intermediaries. The animist perception of the spiritual world (entwined with the physical one) places God at a great distance, too important to be

involved in people's everyday affairs. Therefore, lesser forces regulate their lives and are appealed to for health and wealth by shamans or witches. So, when Felipe asks for my prayers, it's because he thinks I have much more "pull" with God than he could ever have. He knows enough about the Christian world (folk Catholic and urban evangelical) to make the assumption (mistaken, obviously) that I'm some kind of big-shot (being a "gringo" doesn't help) and so my intervention should be more powerful (than Elias's). He wants my prayers like he wants the witch doctor's. What do I do? Felipe doesn't really know any better.

We talked about Jesus being poor and humble, eating and drinking with the common folk. Part of Felipe's problem is the centuries-long assumption that being indigenous is the worst possible human condition. We talked about Jesus conversing with people in the every-day language of the down-trodden. Felipe thinks Me'phaa isn't even a real language, and he knows that important people are offended if he uses it around them. We talked about how Jesus was



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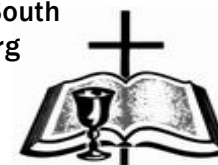
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fully a man, born to a marginalized and conquered people. Felipe assumed Jesus is unapproachable, distant, and incomprehensible. We talked about how He kept showing people who God really was (is). We talked about Jesus' healing and power.

I did pray for Felipe, but only after getting him to pray, too, and in Me'phaa, his beautiful language, that God certainly can understand, and delights in. Once Felipe got going, he really went for it. Only God knows what he said. But he prayed like God was right there.

We also agreed that if Felipe really wanted to get away from alcoholism, he would need ongoing help. So, he and Elias are going to meet every day for prayer and encouragement. We trust that more and more Elias will be able to communicate God's truth to him in his own language. There are some digital recordings of the Gospels that should help, too.

Thank you for supporting us to do these things down here. Pray for us, for the SF missionaries, for Isaul, and for Felipe.

Blessings,

Robert

Pavel & Stania Kozak . . . Missionaries from the Czech Republic

February 24, 2020

Hello, our dear Brothers and Sisters, dear Church Family, dear Friends! Stania and I do send you again our warm fall greetings from Czech Republic!

As we described in the past, and most of you know that we do serve and minister in FIVE localities: Four in Czech Republic and one in Germany – Olomouc, Prostějov, Trinec, Decin and Dresden now.

In Olomouc, our ministry is focused on the students from the local schools and universities. We have regular meetings with them, where we



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DO: Giants

Goliath was a giant – literally! He was 9 feet tall! Let's see how tall that is (*pull out the paper and tape it on the wall*).

David was only a boy and a shepherd. He was so small compared to Goliath. He looked at Goliath and probably got a little scared. But, David had one thing that Goliath didn't. He had God on his side. When we have God on our side, we can face any giant. We all have giants in our lives. Now, we don't have 9 feet tall men with armor and a sword, but we do face giants. A giant is something that seems too big for us to handle by ourselves. It may be a math test, a friend that is mad at us, or trouble at home. I want you all to think about a giant that you have in your life. Then you'll all be able to write that giant on our Goliath poster. *Give the children a little time to think. Let the children walk up and write their "giant" on Goliath.*

How does God help us with our problems? (*Allow for responses – probably like, pray, reading the Bible, sending friends/family to help.*) Now let's go through these "giants" and see how God can help us. Go *through the list, reading them and then write over them "GOD"*.

Slingshot Craft



Our Giants

BIBLE STORY

David and Goliath

Scripture: 1 Samuel 17:20-49

READ or tell the story of how David was brave, trusted God, and defeated Goliath.

Interesting facts to share:

- Saul and the Israelites were set up to fight the Philistines.
- They are on either side of a valley – 1 army on each side.
- Goliath came and shouted at the Israelites for 40 days.
- Back then, sometimes battles were fought 1 man to 1 man – not army to army.
- No one wanted to fight Goliath.
- David tells Saul (17-39) that he will go out and fight Goliath.
- He is armed with a wooden staff, 5 stones and a slingshot!
- David wins!
- Notice how he had 5 stones, but it only took 1 stone. With God on your side – you always win!

DO: Bravery Bags

Have different lunch bags with items hidden in them. Put things with different textures, like cotton balls, yarn, paper, etc. Have the children put their hand in the bags, without looking, and guess what is in the bags



share the Gospel and explain to them God's Grace in Christ Jesus. Here in Czech Republic this type of ministry is very unusual, people mostly meet Jehovah witnesses or Mormons only. But they do not share the Gospel at all.

Because we are mostly among the young ones, we are so happy when somebody is willing to listen to us! We are having so many contacts, many individuals we can minister personally – regularly. It is a battle for their souls in fact!

The nicest ministry is in the Prostějov. The children's church or the "club" for the kids is doing great! There are still new kids who are coming in and we do our best to take care of them in the best way! The kids who are with us a longer time are inviting their school mates to the club and they come. Then we pray for their parents to allow them to let them go to the club freely.

Some parents are against the Christianity in our country, so they do NOT allow them to go in... How sad... But PRAISE GOD, they come, and we all are happy that we can have such a great time together! They have a lot



of fun there, workshops, games, trips, and each time we do read and study the Bible. All the time they have many questions and many of them are happy when they can read the Bible by themselves... That's nice!

In this springtime we are praying and planning the mission trips to Trinec and to Dresden / Germany. It is our regular short time mission trip to meet again the young ones we already met before and see what our Lord is doing among them in their lives. Similar it is in Germany.

We trust and PRAY that the GOOD SEED of the Word of God will do in the power of the Holy Spirit, His work in them!



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Seeding the Seeds

Sharing the Gospel – This is the most important thing we do during our ministry. Praise God that when we see the children's ministry growth, we can see more and more the influence of God's Love through us and of the Word of God, and how some parents are touched by the God's Grace!

We started to have close friendships with some of them. Together with the kids we are preparing a nice Christmas program for their family members and friends. When they come, they can hear the message of the Gospel via the lips of their kids. They

usually use drama, pantomime, songs, stories, etc.

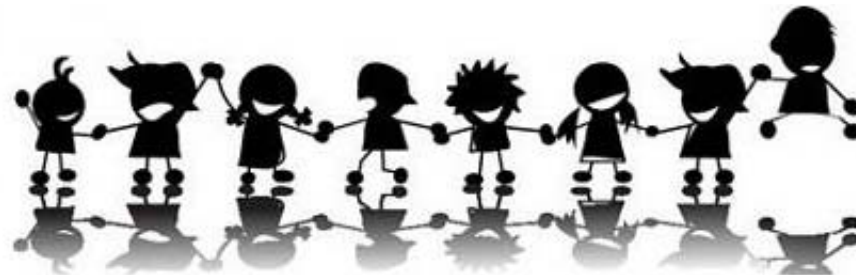
Many times, we do meet teenagers who are from Christian families but they do not attend a church and do not trust God. It is sad. We try to kindly encourage them and serve them by the Word of God as much as we can. Many times, the world is more attractive for them rather than the Kingdom of God...

Let's share the Good News and let's be seeding the Good Seed!

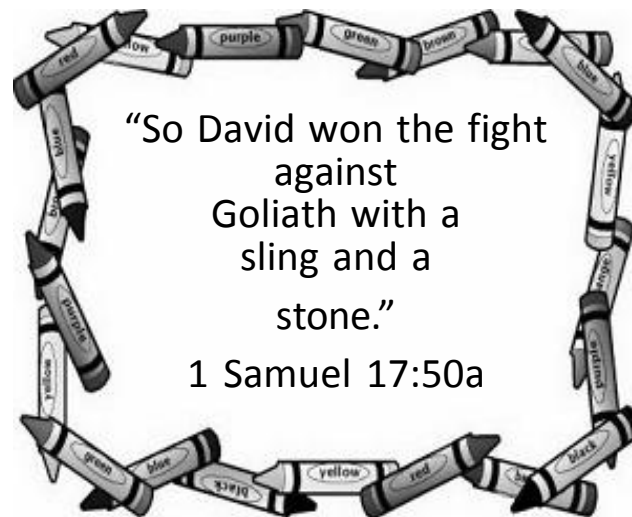
1 Cor. 3:6 - 8: *"I planted; Apollos watered; but God gave the increase. So then neither is he that planteth anything, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase. Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: but each shall receive his own reward according to his own labor."*

OUR NEW MINISTRY IN LUHACOVICE

We pray and plan to go at least once a month to Luhacovice city, which is about a one-hour drive from Olomouc. It is small spa city. This city is very attractive and, in the season, very crowded by the tourists and mainly by patients to recover the sick



Sunday School Helper



PLEASE JOIN US AS WE
*"Bear ye one another's burdens
 And so fulfill the Law of
 Christ."* (Gal. 6:2)

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breathing. There are many mineral
springs and they drink it. ME NOT...
For me it is "ugly". :)...

Once, when Brothers Ron Winsman
and Larry Zabcik visited with us sev-
eral years ago, we took them exactly
to this city. It was a fantastic trip!
BUT – in this city are just two small
churches and NO public Gospel shar-
ing ministry. Many people, many
young ones and NO Gospel!

And because we do travel to this
city time to time to relax, and stay
over a night, we saw the emptiness
about the Gospel, we prayed and
decided to do some 2-3 days of Gos-
pel sharing ministry over there. We
must pay some hotel but will be so
happy to meet with new people.

We are so excited to see how our
Father God will touch their hearts in
Christ Jesus! Praise God! We do pray
for the Lord's guidance to fulfill His
Will.

A WORD FROM STANIA...

I am so thankful to our Lord and to
you, dear Brothers and Sisters, that
we both can serve the people here in
the Czech Republic.

My story today is about one young
lady, Lucy (35), and she is the mother
of 6 kids. Life was very hard for her;
she had a tough childhood, two bad
marriages, home violence, and bad
financial situations. When she de-
scribed to me her past life, I couldn't
believe all these things she had dur-
ing her young lifetime. Such a pain.

Three kids live with her, the other
three live with their father in another
city. When she realized that there is a
Christian "club" nearby, she came
and asked if her kids can attend the
club too. We said YES and she was so
happy! When the oldest daughter
came, she was so shy, almost couldn't
talk, no participation in the program...
Today - SO HAPPY!!!

But there is one thing I have to
share with you. One day, a few months
ago, Lucy told me that she was told
by a doctor she had cancer. All tests
were positive! It was so hard for her,
for the kids and also for us! I did start
to encourage her, we exchanged many,
many messages and we started to
PRAY. We told her that we are sure



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that the Father God will do “something” for her good!

Then she went to the hospital having very unpleasant chemo. Almost no care for her kids, when the young ones were only 18 months old... No help from her mother, no help from her father. So, I did visit with her in the hospital, I did travel daily from Olomouc to Prostejov to take care of her kids... Love, prayers, and encouragement! Just like that... And we were so happy to see how God gave her strength and vitality to go ahead! Although all this was extremely hard for her and for the kids, she thanks God’s Love and Grace did great!

After several weeks she heard from the doctor that the cancer is gone, that she is again OK!!! Kids were HAPPY and we ALL TOO! Praise God! Now we are very close friends, time to time we go for a trip with the kids and Pavel and I are praying and are waiting for the day, when she will open her heart for the Lord Jesus fully!



May our Lord Jesus Christ be glorified!

OUR PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the club kids. They slowly come into a “bad” age and the world is a BIG temptation for them.

Please pray with us for the parents

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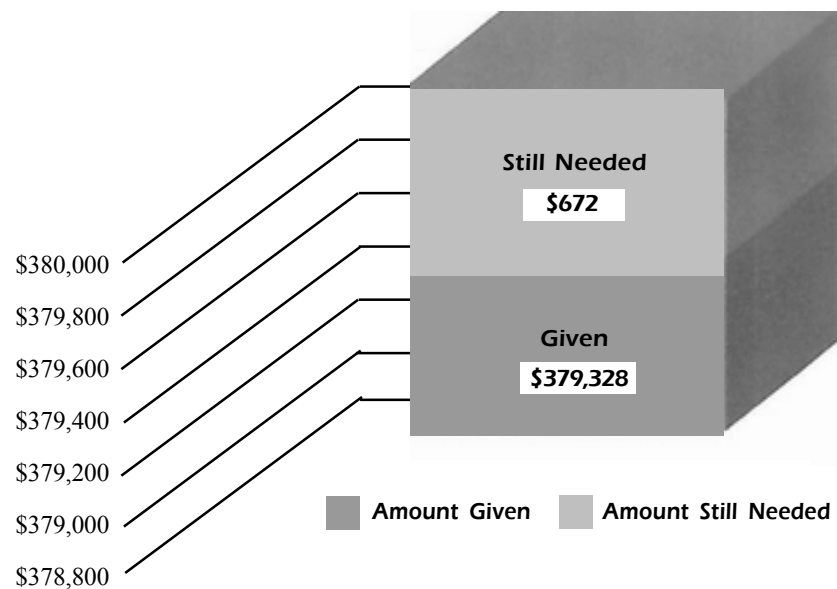
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