

ELEVATION TIMES



Ingrid, Zephyr, Jessica, and Noah

A WORD FROM SCOTT

It is my privilege to introduce our newest family to Elevation Christian Academy. After a series of traumatic events, Jessica made the brave decision to relocate herself and her five children from New York to Vermont. The change of both states and school districts proved to be overwhelming for Ingrid, Zephyr, and Noah, who stopped attending school because they felt completely disengaged and it was less painful to stay home. I believe that the Lord brought this family to Elevation and that He had them in the palm of His hand the entire time. Jessica had reached out to The Fold two years ago for Zephyr, but the residential requirement proved to be a bridge too far for their family. In addition to all three children now attending, Jessica is a volunteer Art teacher with us. It has been overwhelming to witness how faithful the Lord has been throughout this journey. Your financial gifts allow us to minister to families and all of our families are eternally grateful!

Christ Our Redeemer

An Update from a Parent's Perspective

It has been beautiful and amazing to watch Sam grow these past couple of months at Elevation Christian Academy. He is less heavy, and more lighthearted, and has great snippets to share with my husband and I as he spends time with all of and his teachers. The relational piece has been the most impactful for this young man of 17. Years of battling with social anxiety, feeling incapable of having friends, and being barraged with endless condemning thoughts were affecting Sam's whole life, as well as our family's. Our hearts were breaking as we battled through many difficult days of wondering how God was going to come through; He is incredibly faithful. A cry and a prayer were answered when the Lord pointed my husband toward Elevation. Sam was incredibly resistant. We asked him to think about it, to give it a chance in his mind at least. My husband and I sat on the porch with Sam one day to make a final decision about the school year, but more importantly about his life at this juncture. Sam felt the pull towards the familiarity of public school and remaining "anonymous" in the name of survival. But my husband and I were painting a more promising picture of flourishing in a supportive community, discovering who he is in Christ. We asked him if he would be willing to step into the unknown and give it a chance. Sam said yes with some discomfort. A month into it, he said in the car one day to my husband and I how it was the best decision he's ever made, and that his confidence is growing. I couldn't believe I was hearing those words. I could have cried a thousand tears from a mother's heart right then and there. We told Sam we could see the difference in him—his head held higher, more peace in his countenance. There is more healing and strengthening to come for this amazing young man named Samuel, "heard by God", and it is not always an easy road; but as Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

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to our ministry!*