

# Children's Evangelists Revised: June 10, 2013

\*It is the desire of the Children's Ministries Agency to make this list available as a reference for those who will find it useful. However, it is the sole responsibility of the individual to do his or her due diligence in researching a ministry before selection for an event. The descriptions listed below are submissions from the individual ministries/ministers and are not authored by the CMA.

#### **Jon Adams**

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Power Kyd Live! is an exciting and powerful outreach ministry that teaches kids and families Biblical truths in a fun and interactive way, endeavoring to introduce them to Jesus Christ as their Savior and forever Best Friend! Programs are very interactive and include lively worship music, visual Bible stories, unforgettable object lessons and Power Kyd appearances. Power Kyd comic books are available as follow-up material. We are available for camps, kids crusades, family services, and community outreaches, as well as training seminars.

## **Big Vinny**

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## **Corey and Nancy Black**

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## **Tony Borders**

Ventriloquism, Illusions, and Puppetry

Tony Borders mixes lessons with the laughter. Kids come and invite their friends back the next day because they had a great time learning about Bible heroes, God's love, and prayer in visual ways they'll remember for years. Tony has been a featured performer and speaker at several international conferences.

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## **Brian Bopp**

**B.Bopp Productions** 

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After a 14 year hiatus to raise his family, B.Bopp is "on the road again" to offer his one-man, multi-character approach to kids and family ministry nationwide. Drama, puppetry, illusions, humor, and vivid storytelling combine to create unforgettable spiritual lessons and principles to last long after the event is done.

B.Bopp draws from 28 years of experience in ministry to kids. Ask about workshops including "Full-family worship," "The Bible Moves," and much, much more.

#### Ben Christensen

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Ben Christensen is a front-runner in children's entertainment and evangelism. World class juggler, master clown, and all around funny guy; Ben shares his heart for ministry like no one else through the use of variety arts. International Fellowship of Christian Magician's Talent Search Winner, World Clown Association gold medalist, and MONDO diabolo competition winner. Ben has performed everywhere from churches, state fairs, McDonald's, Delta Airlines, and the Circus Hall of Fame!

# Randy & Karen Christensen

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Randy Christensen is known for his creative, attention-grabbing, heart and humor. He is an international award-winning performer and a ministry veteran of over 30 years. Randy inspires all ages as he shares eternal truth with unique methods such as ventriloquism, comedy mime, juggling, magical illustrations and professional clowning (reminiscent of Red

Skelton).

# **Cody Byrns**

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Cody Byrns, breaking the ice with Juggling and Comedy antics to ultimately lead children of all ages to Jesus! He began ministry and performing at the age of seven and has learned to captivate audiences of thousands. Cody has always had a heartbeat for ministry and has performed and presented Jesus Christ for many different occasions including churches, large theater's, and even circuses! Cody "Chexs" Byrns has trained national performers to juggle and he has worked with some of the best performers from Ringling Bros., Barnum and Bailey Circus, and Cirque Du Soliel. Cody has received professional ministry schooling and he has worked as a children's pastor. This ministry has one goal: to share the true, lifechanging message of Christ with the world

#### **James Cole-Rous**

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Full Time Children's Evangelist, Ventriloquist, Chalk Artist, Visual Messages, Kids Crusades, VBS and teacher training. Free teacher-training podcast available on website! <a href="https://www.familyspectacularministries.org">www.familyspectacularministries.org</a>

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#### **Cordova Creative Ministries**

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Gene Cordova has been a featured artist at the International Children's Pastor's Conference and has led workshops and showcased at several conferences and Christian festivals all around the country. Gene is a graduate of Northwest University of the Assemblies of God and travels nationally as a ventriloquist, illusionist and comedian for children and families. Gene now lives in Knoxville, TN area.

#### Eric L. Cox

Blue Penguin Ministries 1800 Alabama Ave Lynn Haven, Florida 32444 850-624-7338 bluepenguinministries@yahoo.com bluepenguinministries.googlepages.com

Eric is a licensed minister with the A/G and has been involved in children's ministry for the last 17 years. His team is available for youth camps, crusades and Sunday morning services. Video and references are available on their website.

## **Rev. Darren Daugherty**

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## **Extreme Family Ministries**

Steve & Marlyn Gambrill, a.k.a. The Extreme Balloonman and M&M the Clown, have discovered a fun and exciting way to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ! They stay doctrinally simple and salvation focused. They use mind-boggling illusions, hilarious puppets, and award-winning balloon sculptures to communicate God's love to their audience. If you want any event to be memorable, include The Gambrills' sensational and unique ministry. www.evangellusions.com www.extremefamilyoutreach.com

## **Family Action Agents**

Over the past 47 years, Fred Pettet, a seasoned ventriloquist/puppeteer and Gospel illusionist, has produced and starred in his own television shows with CBN and TBN networks, as well as traveling throughout the US doing ministry in churches, schools, theme parks, fairs, shopping malls, and corporate seminars in nine countries throughout the world. Fred also holds a B.S. degree in Elementary Education from Evangel University in Springfield, MO, and is an ordained minister with the Assemblies of God.

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# The JAM KIDS Children's Ministry

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## The Jubilee Gang

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## **Richard Kennedy**

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Vision statement: to encourage, equip, and empower people through the Word of God and the power of the Holy Spirit.

Specializes in: summer camps, children's revival services, healing/miracle services.

Richard has traveled for several years ministering at kids camps and special services. He has done the 3D Kids Camp, from Grace World Outreach Church in Brooksville, Florida, for the past 3 years. He has also served as the children's pastor at New Life Church for the past 8 years. Richard has been licensed and ordained through Rhema Bible Ministerial Association International (RMAI) since 1998.

#### Kidzturn

Kidzturn is a nationwide children's ministry geared at presenting the Gospel of Jesus Christ in a way that is up-to-date with a changing kid-culture. This 11-member team utilizes multimedia, energetic lighting, live music, games, prizes, comedy, puppets, and the FDA recommended daily allowance of absolute insanity!

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## John Mallory

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Four times primetime NBC TV; twice in *People* magazine. Billy Graham/Luis Palau/CBN shows. Nationwide Geddy the Gecko Kids Crusades, Family Concerts, VBS, Camps, Kids Missions Events. NOT like "Barney." Multimedia. High Energy. Audience Participation.

## **Montgomery Family Ministries**

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## Yoly Pacheco

Christian Bilingual Ventriloquist, whom has traveled to many states in the USA, Mexico, Central America and South America. Yoly will entertain you while presenting a positive and life changing message.

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## **Pastor Greg Phillips**

The Funbelievable Greg Phillips presents the Gospel in an interactive, energetic, and vibrant way. Utilizing Comedy, Magic, Stories, and Puppets... Pastor Greg is just a little "out there!" We say Funbelievable!

Pastor Greg was a nightclub performer on his way to Stardom and Fame when he fell off a stage in the middle of a performance and broke his neck. During his "Metal Time," he was saved and dedicated his life to Jesus. Camps, Crusades, Family Nights, Fall Festivals and Outreaches—Pastor Greg has been performing and sharing his love of Jesus for almost 30 years with our "younger" folks.

An opening act for the likes of Jerry Seinfeld, Robin Williams, Gallagher and others, Pastor Greg knows how to reach a crowd!

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#### Jennifer Reese

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#### Eric Riskus

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Using a variety of different methods from various forms of multimedia, original dance/techno music, ventriloquism (The cool fuzzy kind) to physical object lessons, Eric's Way is a new approach to Children's and Family Evangelism. Eric Riskus uses these methods to deliver a simple message that's easy for everyone to understand without overloading new visitors with a ton of theology.

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## **Adam Schmidgall**

Children's Ministry Specialist

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Adam presents the truths of God's Word with a unique blend of humor, illusions, ventriloquism, and the circus arts, but he doesn't stop there. This approach to teaching and ministry is brought with powerful expectation that God is always good and will fulfill His Word in and through the life of all who will believe. He has been ordained with the Assemblies of God since 1999.

He has entertained and educated audiences around the world since 1992 presenting a message that challenges children and adults to seek first God's Kingdom and to discover who they truly are in Christ. God is an extravagant God and His Kingdom is a "Wild" place we can enter and have access to no matter where we are. When we accept our identity in Christ, God's Kingdom truly becomes "where heaven meets earth".

Adam, his wife Joni, and their son Zayne live in Ogden, Utah. They can often be found enjoying life together as they hike, spend time with family and friends, and invest in the lives of the families of their church and community.

#### **Brennan Scott**

Juggler and Houdini-style escape artist

Brennan has performed for groups from 3,000 to 15. Whether your program needs something funny or a little more serious, Brennan can customize a performance to meet your unique needs. Best of all, he is inexpensive. A member of the Christian Jugglers Association, the Fellowship of Christian Magicians, and the International Jugglers Association, Brennan is family friendly and a sure hit. He knows children and youth and what they enjoy. Whether it is back to school, a church picnic, a trunk or treat, fall festival, sports banquet, or Christmas party, Brennan will make your event memorable and fun. www.BrennanScott.com

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Randy and his ministry organization, KidzAblaze Ministries, regularly equips children in ministry gifts such as puppetry, drama, dance, music, and more! We can be reached toll free at (888) 837-5245. For additional info, please visit our website!

# **Ned and Joan Way**

Ned and Joan are professional illusionists, jugglers and family/kids evangelists based out of Louisville, KY. They have performed for Ringling Brother's/Barnum and Bailey Circus, Disneyland, Disney World, and other notable places. They have also been featured performers with Kid's Gig, a part of the Billy Graham Crusade.

Ned is a licensed minister, and Joan has a BA degree in Elementary Education from the University of Northern Iowa. They are recipients of the "Excellence in Ministry" award presented by International Network of Children's Ministry.

They travel far and wide reaching kids and families with their presentation, seminars, and workshops. They travel from coast to coast including Alaska, Hawaii, Canada, etc.

Their family fun nights can actually increase the number of families who attend your church.

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