



Hello friend, it's been a while. Young Life would like to address you in the Suessian style

From here to there. From there to here.
We've got good tidings of holiday cheer.
Holiday cheer and news to proclaim.
It's time to remember why Jesus came!
He loves us like crazy, every kid HAS to know.
That's why it's cool to see Northlake grow.
Here are some examples. They're only a sample.
They're only a sample of ample examples.

The **First** is a climb. To fantastically magical 349.
One Bus, Two Bus, Three Bus, Fo'...?
Seven full Buses to camps don't you know!
From Canyon to Creekside to Breakaway go.
Even to Woodleaf in droves they did Flow.
Kids of all kinds, 349!

349 had the best week of all time
There were Jennys and Jamies and Chases and Chads.
There were Davids and Dylans and Billys and Brads.
Alexander and Xerxes and even a Xavier
Learned of the love of their Lord and Savior
The Grinch would be puzzling, "how can it be so?"
349! They surely did grow!"

The **Second** comes in pairs you see.
48 Young Life leaders I decree,
That's ninety-six feet and ninety-six ears,
walking with kids through the toughest of years.
Ninety-six nostrils and ninety-six eyes,
looking out for all kinds of gals and of guys.
48 Young Life leaders it is... but wait, no!
Including student leaders this number does grow.
That's 66 leaders doing Jesus-y things.
66 leaders oh boy, we should sing!

The **Third** thing we're so excited to share,
a new club at Cedarcrest— an answer to prayer!
From ten, to twenty, to forty, gippee!
They've already hit the amazing forty three.
That makes eight clubs in the area called Northlake,
eight places each week where hearts come awake!
God is with us! they'll hear! better yet they'll hear why,
That Jesus is more than an ancient good guy.
He loves them like crazy, that's the greatest good news.
And He wants to know them, every one, every two.

The next and last thing is thing number **Four**.
We have big plans, big plans galore!
Since all means all and we don't want to stall...
Since there's more Whos in Whoville
and we want them all...

YoungLives and Capernaum are next on our list
because here in Whoville we see all Whos as a gift.

Now **WHY** all this numbering, thing one and thing two-ing?
It's all the big story of what God is doing.
It could be the best year that we've ever seen.
The notorious, glorious two zero seventeen.

Finally, we isn't **WE** unless it includes **YOU**.
For every Dylan and David and Brad and Billy.
There's a Generous Joe and Magnanimous Millie
You make WE a true WE with all that you do.
So God Bless all of you Northlake Whos.
Merry Christmas to all and a Happy New Year.
Be of good heart friends, be of good cheer.
You're the best of the Whos who ever did do.
For Whos like You are faithful and true.

A Note from Peder, Samantha, Ryan and crew

With all the things that we are celebrating, and all the things we are looking forward to, we hope to raise some funds so that we can remain focussed on kids, not bills.

Total revenue needed this fiscal year	\$390,534
Projected Donations	\$280,540
Amount unaccounted for	\$109,994

We would love for you to think of Northlake Young Life for any end of year giving you may be doing. As you can see, it would be put to great use and will help meet a great need. And as our friend the Dr. might say...

*Writing off taxes saves money in stacks
Stacks of money you'll save, that's the facts*

Feel free to use the enclosed envelope to send in a check or give through your credit card. you can also give online by visiting us at northlakeWA.younglife.org. **Please note that checks must be received in our local office by Friday December 29th or online by midnight Monday December 31 to count for the 2017 tax year.**

Merry Christmas! - Peder Brakke, Northlake Area Director on behalf of many others

ps... enclosed please find a magnet for your fridge. As you happen to see it throughout your year, we'd love for you to pray for staff (all 2.5 of us)... for leaders (all 66)... for kids (all 12,000+)... and all who make up Northlake Young Life... thanks!

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