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Postcard from Rome.....

Have you ever wondered what the early church was like in the Roman time period? Well, I got a brief look at it through helping in my church's Vacation Bible School this year. The theme was ROME (Paul and the Underground Church). My church (Laurel Hill Baptist) did a wonderful job in decorating the church to help the children feel like they were actually in Rome..

I helped with the power point presentations and sound effects as well as helping set up the "underground church, and market place." It was a fun time for all those who participated. We ran about 100 every evening including kids and workers.



The picture to the right is me (citizen John) in the Toga shop with a Roman guard (my neighbor's grandson). It looks like I'm quite serious about making a purchase since I have a drawn sword. The student work book was called "Postcards from Rome" and featured a daily challenge, a Bible-Time Blog, and an interesting bit of Roman Trivia. "Did you know that Roman women put lead paste or chalk on their face to make their face look pale? To make their hand soft they made a lotion out of donkey's milk and crushed snails!"

I'm so glad that God's love changes us from the inside out! When we love God-and realize how incredible His love is-we act differently, think differently, and treat others differently. (And you don't have to rub squashed snails on your hands either!)

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