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#### Devotion

"How and why did God create us? God created us male and female in His own image to glorify Him." (New City Catechism question #4)

I rarely think of bearing the image of God, but Genesis 1:26 says, "Let us make human beings in our image, to be like us." We are image bearers of God-the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit. As such, our weaknesses don't surprise our Creator but even more importantly, we should be reflecting the characteristics of God to others in our community. The Lord has been bringing this truth to my attention more recently, through different devotions, messages, and podcasts. It has challenged me to reflect and ask Him to help me bear His image to others through showing love, kindness, forgiveness, service, and sharing who Christ is and what He has done for me. I know I do it imperfectly, but I am grateful for the example of my perfect Savior.

How humbling to think that we are made in the image of God! He chose us to bear His image and reflect Him to a broken and hurting world.

~Stephanie Dow



Amya Graves, former student with EWA, made honor roll at OCC and was inducted into the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society! Amya says, "This is all made possible by me putting my faith in God alone as He knows the best for me."

#### In Memory Of

Ms. Rosemary Polimeni sent in a donation to EWA "In Memory of Mrs. Debra Putney." Debbie passed away in her home in Lisbon, NY, in March. She loved the Lord Jesus and is now in her eternal home with Him. A gift like this encourages us to continue lifting Him up in everything we do with our students at EWA, as our greatest desire is to see them come to know Him, love Him, and serve Him!



Senior, Zaukat Lahtaw is graduating this June with a full tuition scholarship to Syracuse University, where he will major in Software Engineering! We thank God for providing a debt free education for Zaukat and his family!!

Congratulations Zaukat!!



Pastor Lahtaw spoke to our middle and highschoolers during chapel. He shared about his life in Burma, before coming to America and how the Lord called him to ministry. He also charged the students to be like Daniel in the Bible. Thank you, Pastor Lahtaw!





Thank you to the John Ben Snow Foundation and Barney II Foundation who partnered together to donate over \$19,000 to EWA!





# What Will Set You Apart?

Our students are rewarded for work or behaviors that **set them apart** from their peers. These students received awards for doing extra assignments over school breaks and giving excellent responses to a devotional.

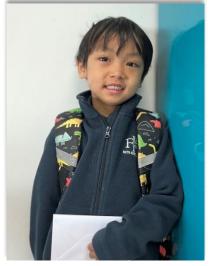
As their reward, many students chose to come to EWA's room for lunch with a friend, to play games and have a treat!

















#### **Career Conversations**

EWA's Career Conversations have allowed both our EWA Scholarship students and non-scholarship students (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) to hear some wonderful speakers from a wide range of job fields!

Pictured below are our most recent speakers!



Captain Amos McKinnon, NY Army National Guard and Director of Engineering at PPC Broadband



Dr. Meredith Bodah, PharmD RPh, pharmacist with Kinney Drugs.



Ms. Kristy Shepard, aesthetician with REJUVN8

# We LOVE our Volunteers!

On April 18<sup>th</sup>, we invited all our **EWA volunteers** to a special luncheon, to say **THANK YOU** for your service! We give thanks to God always for you!

1Thessalonians 1:2







Congratulations to Sue Auwarter & Elaine Bodah for winning the "Memory Challenge Activity " at our luncheon! They displayed excellent memory recall, while others totally forgot to turn in the second half of the challenge! They received a Panera gift card as a prize. Now, hopefully they will remember to use them!

## Thank you!



EWA's original website and logo needed some renovating, allowing us to be relevant and user friendly to our present and future supporters. We thank God for Mr. Scott Pleasants, director of Information Technology at FBA, Strategic Innovation Advisor for Innovate Lynchburg and CrossHackers & NextGEN Startups, for giving of his time and talents to help EWA move forward in their mission to give scholarships and support to families in Syracuse that desire a Christian education!

Check out our updated website! eaglewingsacademy.org



One of the verses we have hanging in our room at FHS is Ephesians 2:10. We encourage the students frequently to remember that the Lord God is preparing them for the good work that He has prepared for them to do. EWA has been incredibly blessed by Mary Anne Lane, former elementary and special education teacher, and director of Nursery school. She graciously uses her skills to help our scholarship students mature in their academic, social, behavioral, and spiritual development! She loves the Lord Jesus and is faithfully serving Him through her involvement at EWA as our Academic Consultant and **Board Member!** 

### Grandparent's Day!







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Thank you to **ALL** who support this ministry with **prayer**, **time**, **and donations**. We praise Him for YOU and are thankful for being able to partner together to do His work.

Stephanie Dow – EWA Administrative Support Coordinator



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