

KIDStory[®]

A PROGRAM OF KIDS AROUND THE WORLD

CRAFTING A JOYFUL WORD IN A JOYLESS WORLD

IN THIS WEBINAR YOU WILL:

- * Grasp the need for joy in a child's life
- * Understand how the brain processes joy
- * Create 2 ways to incorporate joy in your lesson

"Generation after generation stands in awe of (God's) work;
each one tells stories of your mighty acts." Psalm 145:4 (MSG)



Meet Your Hosts

Roger Walterhouse:

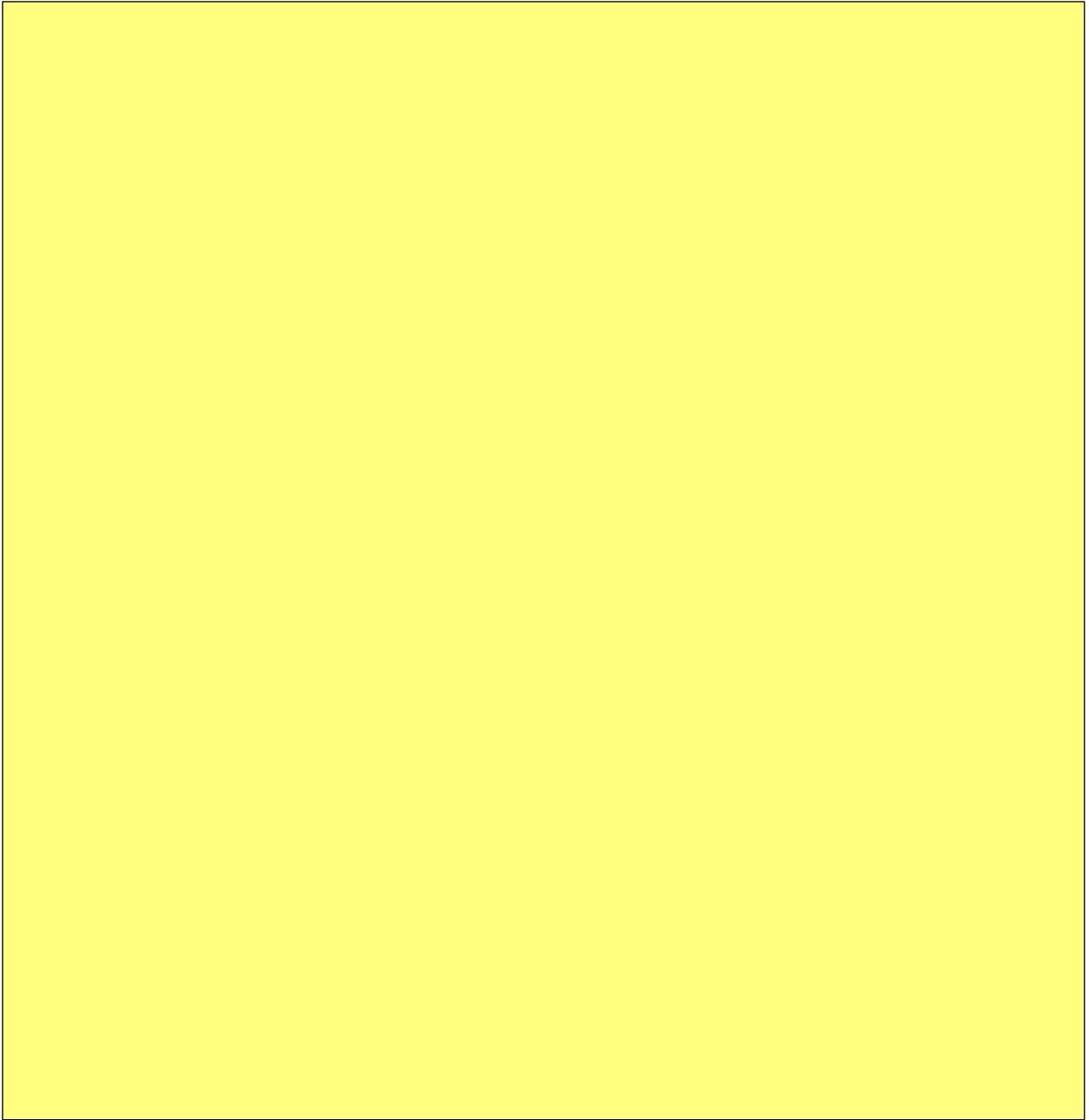
Roger is the Director of Ministry Programs at Feed the Hungry where he oversees feeding programs to over 450,000 children. He's worked in family and children's ministry for over 30 years. His heart beats to see children feel God's love and experience extreme joy in even the harshest places. He lives in a log cabin serving as the caretaker of a nature preserve in Elkhart, Indiana.



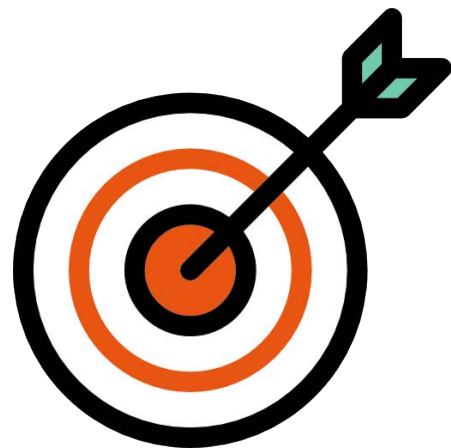
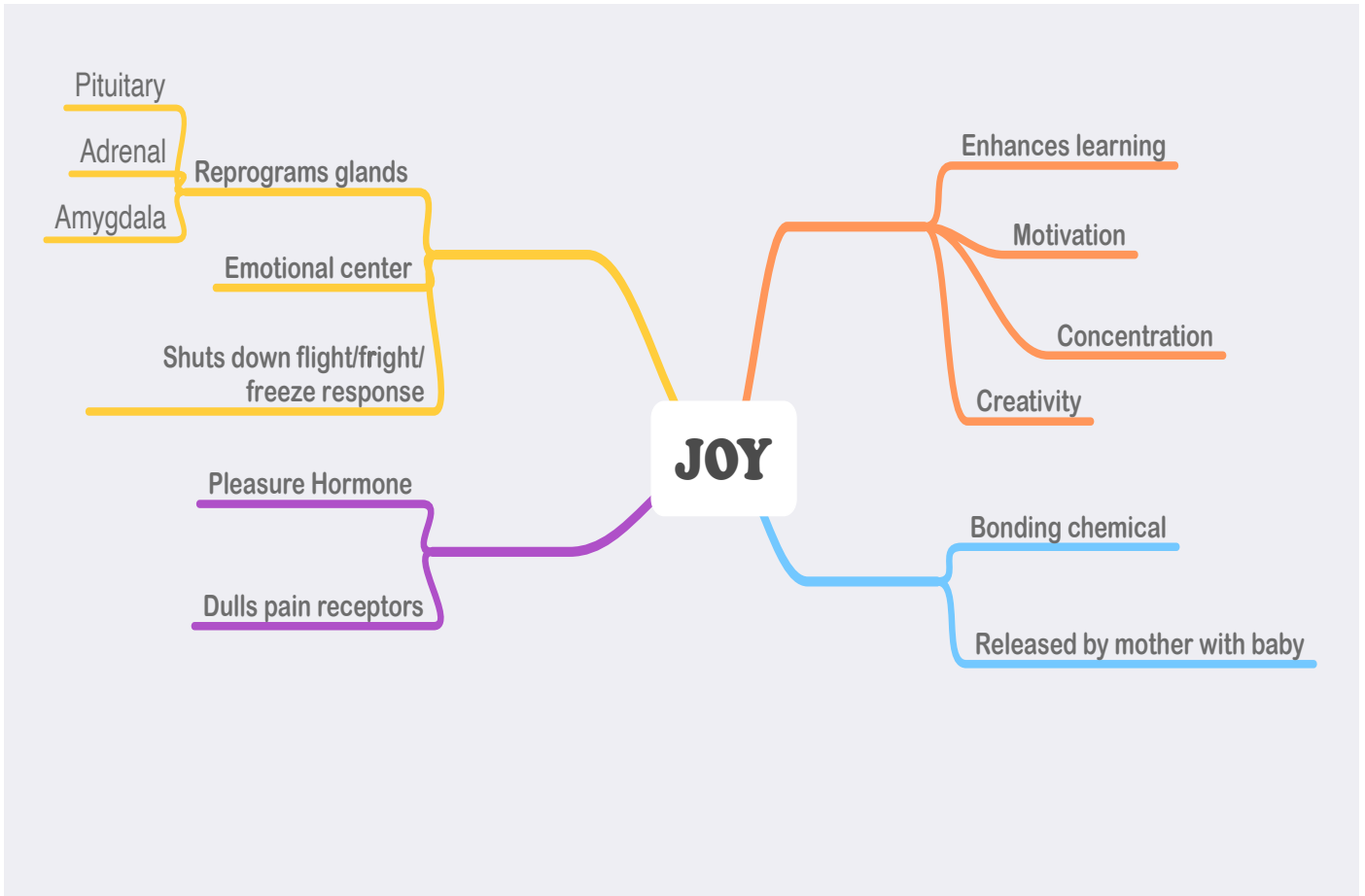
Gary Strudler:

As the KIDStory Global Director, Gary is known as one who will quickly be brought to tears when talking about children and the impact one can have on changing their lives and drawing them into a closer relationship with Jesus! Residing in Central Oregon with his wife, Heather, they have 3 grown children and 2 granddaughters whom they love dearly!

Notes



What Joy Can Do



A Joyless World

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CHILDREN-AT-RISK

TO, FOR, AND WITH CHILDREN-AT-RISK



HALF OF ALL CHILDREN ARE AT RISK ...



Child Labor

More than 200 million children today are child labourers and 120 out of 200 million are engaged in hazardous work that is harmful to their health.

<http://www.theworldcounts.com/stories/Child-Labor-Facts-and-Statistics>

Hunger

About 3.1 million children die from under nutrition each year and making them more vulnerable to health issues.

<https://www.worldhunger.org/world-child-hunger-facts/>



Abandonment

Since 2015, there were nearly an estimated 140 million orphans globally.

<https://www.unicef.org/media/orphans>

Abuse

1 billion children between ages 2-17 years, have experienced physical, sexual, emotional violence, or neglect in the past year.

<https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/violence-against-children>



Trafficking

Around the world there are 5.5 Million trafficked children, suffering from violence, exploitation and abuse.

<https://theirworld.org/explainers/child-trafficking>

Poverty

Poverty can impact the children's ability to learn and contribute to social, emotional, behavioral problems, and poor health.

<http://www.nccp.org/topics/childpoverty.html>



CALL TO ACTION



REFLECTION

The global church must take children seriously, through fresh biblical and theological inquiry.



ACTION

The global church is called to expose, resist and take action against all abuse of children.



TRAINING

The global church has the responsibility to train people and provide resources to meet the needs of children worldwide.



Lausanne
Children-at-Risk Network

www.lausanne.org/car

PROTECTION AND PARTICIPATION



The global church must nurture children with the understanding that each child is a multi-faceted human being, created in God's image, endowed with gifts, who can meaningfully participate as a co-labourer in church and mission.

Children and young people are the Church of today, not merely of tomorrow.

- The Cape Town Commitment II D.5

What You Can Do





**A LAUGHING CHILD
IS A HEALING CHILD**



Six months from now, a local newspaper has written an article about the joyful environment you have created and the changes witnessed in children's lives. What changes have you made to create this environment and what have been some of the results in individual children's lives?

2 CHANGES MADE IN THE ENVIRONMENT:

CHANGES SEEN IN INDIVIDUAL CHILDREN'S LIVES:

For More Information:

- Feed The Hungry: www.feedthehungry.org
- Kids Around the World: www.katw.org
- KIDStory: www.katw.org/kidstory
- KIDStory Resources: www.katw-kidstory.com
- Global KIDStory Network (for those using KIDStory):
<https://bit.ly/kidstorynetwork>
- KIDStory 2 Minute Promo Video: <https://bit.ly/KSpromovideo>

