



We Treat Kids Better

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Saint Thomas Church
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Because of the books Literally Healing gifted us we were able to connect with our son through reading and speak to him in a way we wouldn't otherwise know how to.

Thank-you for giving us a gift we will cherish for our lifetime - Jeff and Alissa Vatter

Dear The Parishioners of Stain Thomas Church,

Thank you for supporting the *Literally Healing* program with your most thoughtful and generous donation of gift cards and books for our reading room library.

In 2013, we continued to gift the children in our care more than 30,000 new books! Every inpatient, and his or her sibling(s) on campus, can choose, and keep, one free book daily. Additionally, *Literally Healing* continued to gift thousands of Therapeutic Books for Children. These highly specialized children's books help our patients, and their families, cope with the many and hard challenges they face because of the child's serious medical condition.

Through our team of highly trained volunteers, our program provides reading at patient bedside, literacy promotion activities and we deliver books to patients unable to leave their rooms. No hospitalized child is without access to free books.

Weary family caregivers can receive one free, new, magazine daily. Visiting our Reading Room offers patient families a quiet and cozy space, to read together on playful 'book furniture': home away from home.

We are proud of our integrated programming that positions children for success and emotional strength. Yet without the generosity of the community, our work would not be possible. So, on behalf of the children benefitting from your considerable support, we thank you.

Warm regards,

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