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Words of Wisdom to Keep Your Bucket Filled

## Week of April 13, 2014

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# An Amazing Show of Support

### **Dear Fellow Bucket Filler,**

What would you do if a coworker suddenly learned that he had an aggressive form of cancer?

When Christopher "Chris" Carney, a beloved teacher from Dieck Elementary School in Swartz Creek, Michigan, was diagnosed with this type of cancer in December 2013, a group of more than 60 teachers rallied around their colleague in heartfelt support. They collectively donated 160 sick days for Chris to use during his treatment. Can you imagine how full Chris's bucket was knowing that his friends and coworkers cared enough to give him and his family that extra peace of mind?

All too often we're faced with family, friends and coworkers who are experiencing stressful life events - illness, loss of income, death, and divorce to name a few of the most serious. As bucket fillers, we quickly recognize these opportunities to help. Bucket fillers offer support and encouragement with prayers, hugs, home baked meals, transportation, their time, and many other ways of showing loving concern.

The teachers in Swartz Creek are bucket fillers. I know their own buckets were filled as they supported Chris and his family. Never underestimate the importance of what YOU can do to support your family, friends and coworkers during difficult times and in days following when the worst appears to be over.

Sadly, Chris Carney lost his battle with cancer on February 20, 2014. The memory of what so many friends and coworkers did to help will forever fill the buckets of those who loved Chris.

May your buckets always be filled,

Sandy Richardson, Bucket Fillers Office Assistant



## **Our Bucket Filler of the Week**

We've chosen Chris Carney, posthumously, as our Bucket Filler of the Week. He was an amazing teacher and huge bucket filler.

## **Bucketfilling Showcase**



This picture was tweeted by Miss McCarthy, a second grace teacher, from **Ethel M. Burke Elementary School** in **Bellmawr, New Jersey**. What a great way to promote bucket filling!

We invite you to showcase your organization's bucket filling in our worldwide enewsletter. Email a picture of your bucketfilling bulletin board, mural or other artwork to <u>info@bucketfillers101.com</u>.

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