

## “God Moments” continued...

Soon after sharing the blessings of her children’s experiences the mom then relayed her own personal triumph for the day by overcoming her fears to take her first canoe ride! With dancing eyes and a huge smile she said, “I was so scared but I was determined to try it and I actually did it!” Leanne had just heard from the kayak team how a woman had encouraged them by her determination to overcome her fear and try something new. Now she was able to hear the story firsthand and see the excitement and sense of accomplishment on this woman’s face as she recounted this new adventure.



As she shared her victory Leanne was reminded of the day long struggle with assembling the special accessible floating dock for the canoe and kayaking that had arrived in 8 sections with 30 odd connector pieces, much like a giant erector set with no instructions. The dedication of the few volunteers who took on the task and persevered to get the job done was the inspired start of this awesome “God Moment”.

Many times the “God Moments” are also very simple and just a realization that something we take for granted might be a treasured gift for someone else. One of the photographers from our event was especially touched in this way. This is her “God Moment”:

**“I had come back to the photo tent and a lady came up to me and wanted to tell me something. She started to tear up and said that she brought her husband who had a disability here today. She barely has any pictures of him but today she was able to take home two pictures of him – thank you so much! Now of course I then started to tear up. I love to take pictures and take so many that I never thought by giving someone a picture of themselves or a loved one it could mean so much. This has really had an impact on me – something I take for granted can help someone so much.”**



These “God Moments” are plentiful and it is often hard to choose which ones to share. But, what really encourages us the most is that these are mere glimpses of what God is doing behind the scenes, in the hearts and minds of everyone there. He is planting seeds of Hope for some as they learn of His love and sacrifice for the very first time. Others who might already know Him but who are discouraged or at the end of their rope are reminded that there can be joy in the journey and that He is there walking step by step with them along the way. ☺



**“Now glory be to God Who by His mighty power at work within us is able to do far more than we would ever dare to ask or dream of—infinately beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts or hopes.”**  
Ephesians 3:20

## 2011 Ministry Schedule

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- January 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> – Access-Life Inspiration Dinner and Skills Academy in Jacksonville, FL
- February 19<sup>th</sup> – Access-Life Expo in South Florida
- April 9<sup>th</sup> – Access-Life Expo in Jacksonville, FL
- June and July – Fishing with Friends Summer Camps Support
- August 28<sup>th</sup> – Access-Life Expo in East Tennessee
- November 12<sup>th</sup> – Access-Life Expo in Central Florida

**Be sure to register online as a participant or volunteer for our final Expo of the year in Central Florida on November 12<sup>th</sup> at [www.access-life.org/ALE](http://www.access-life.org/ALE)!**

