

I met Arion when I began volunteering with Beacon Street Ministries on Friday evenings in Clearwater. Beacon Street provides hot, home cooked meals to food insecure people in Clearwater. Arion his younger brother, Jeremiah, along with their grandmother Agnes, who is raising them, volunteer throughout our community. Arion is a fun kid to be around. He's hardworking, energetic, smart, and incredibly polite. I really enjoy working with him. He's pretty ambitious. Read more below.

Hi Arion. Thank you for agreeing to participate in this interview.

-You're welcome.

How old are you Arion and what grade are you in?

I'm 11 and I'm going to be in 6th grade this fall.

What's your favorite subject in school?

-Science.

Why do you like Science?

-I think it's cool. I like doing experiments. I like to learn about God's creation.

What's your favorite book?

-I don't have a favorite.

You just won a state wide competition. Can you tell me about that?

-It was a Bible quiz competition on June 3 and 4. It was in Palm Bay Florida. It was the Florida State Finals. I'm in the Junior age group.

Did you have to memorize Bible verses?

-Yes. I memorized 289 verses.

Wow! How did you memorize so many?

I read them over and over again. I respected them three times. I used index cards. I recorded the verses on a phone and I wrote them down.

What are your plans for the summer?

I'm going to summer camp. I really like the field trips. Today I went to Sky Zone. It's a trampoline park.

Do you have any chores at home?

-Yes. I take out the trash. I make my bed and sometimes I help with dishes.

You and I have worked together to serve the homeless in Clearwater. Do you enjoy doing that?

-Yes. I really like to help people.

What do you want to be when you grow up?

-I want to be a CEO.

Wow! You want to be a CEO! What kind of business?

-Jewelry. I like to make jewelry, like necklaces and bracelets.

Do you like living in Clearwater?

– Yes. I like that we get to go to the beach a lot. I like to play on the beach and meet new friends. I like to sit next to the water a little more than going in.

Do you have any pets.

-No

What's your favorite food?

-Confetti Cheesecake

Describe a perfect day.

-I would get to ride on a dolphin and eat cheesecake.

Thank you Arion.

-You're welcome.