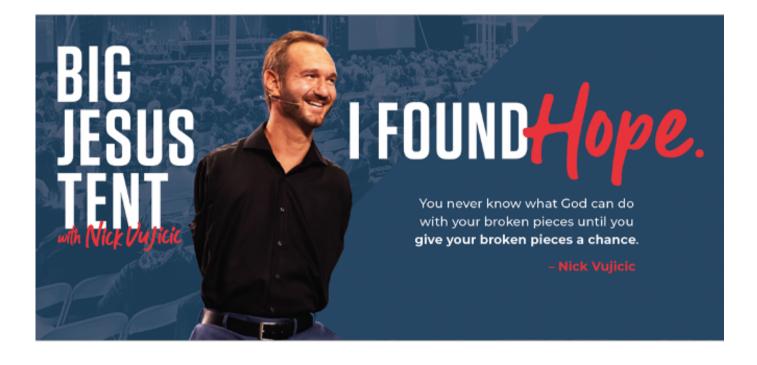
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# World Renowned Speaker, Nick Vujicic, Hosts Dallas Area Big Tent Event to Inspire Hope Amid Mental Health Epidemic and Recent Tragedies

#### 12 'Champions for the Brokenhearted' Initiatives Offer Help to the Hurting

**ALLEN, TX, Sept. 6, 2023** — To address the issues plaguing our culture — addiction, trafficking, bullying, depression, suicide — <u>Big Jesus Tent</u> is coming to the DFW Metroplex, October 12-15 and 19-22, for eight inspiring evenings. This event will provide resources and encouragement for anyone in the DFW area that is suffering or hurting, including those affected by the recent shooting in Allen, Texas.



Taking place within a 6,000-seat tent and hosted by famous author, motivational speaker and evangelist Nick Vujicic, 'Big Jesus Tent' welcomes any and everyone to attend this impactful and informational event.

In alignment with the Nick V Ministries 'Champions for the Brokenhearted' initiatives, this special event will feature 12 "champions," each representing and ministering to the following specific groups: the Abused, Addicted, Bullied, Disabled, Orphan (Foster), Poor, Prisoner, Suicidal, Trafficked, Unborn, and the Veteran.

"These key guest speakers each have powerful life stories reflecting heartbreaking pasts that have transformed into the lasting hope and joy they know today," said Vujicic, founder of Life Without Limbs. "My deep hope for this event is that those going through similar trials will know that they are not alone."

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"I know what it's like to not be only disabled—but also bullied, depressed and suicidal," shares Vujicic. "My heart goes out to those who have to go through any of those things. This is why we share; our stories offer hope and encouragement when others have none."

The event of epic proportions is expected to host more than 100 churches and nonprofit ministries, thus mobilizing volunteers, offering hope and resources to the brokenhearted.

Big Jesus Tent comes to Allen, Texas this fall, hosting Tent events on October 12-15 and 19-22 at 6:30 p.m. CT. For more information, the event schedule and to register or volunteer, visit <u>BigJesusTent.org</u>.

#### **About Nick V Ministries**

Nick Vujicic's non-profit ministry, <u>Nick V Ministries</u> champions the cause of the brokenhearted and shares the Good News of Jesus Christ around the world through 5 key areas: Live Events, Prison Ministry, Student Ministry, Prayer Ministry and Big Jesus Tent.





Many years ago, worldwide evangelist, entrepreneur, speaker and author Nick Vujicic had a vision for a large, cross-shaped tent where the broken, the curious and the skeptical could gather to hear a message of hope and Good News. Now known as the Big Jesus Tent, since this vision became a reality, the 55,000-square-foot gathering space has hosted three large events.

Big Jesus Tent's next stop will be north of Dallas in Allen, Texas, October 15-19 and October 19-22, 2023. Each night Nick will share a message of hope that touches on themes from his ministry's 12 Champions for the Brokenhearted initiatives: the trafficked, the unborn, the disabled, the prisoner, the orphan (foster), the widow, the addicted, the abused, the suicidal, the bullied, the veteran and the poor.

Big Jesus Tent anticipates more than 100 churches and nonprofit ministries will unite together at the North Texas event, where they will help mobilize volunteers and provide resources for the brokenhearted.

Following the 2023 event in North Texas, Big Jesus Tent will make its way to central Dallas, and then to other inner cities across America. The future vision of the Tent is to let brokenhearted communities hear Nick's message of hope and to partner with local Champions for the Brokenhearted to provide needed resources.





**Nick Vujicic** 

Nick Vujicic's story is one of incredible triumph over adversity. Born without arms or legs, he has defied the odds and become a globally recognized figure, touching the hearts of millions around the world.

Nick's journey began with immense difficulties. As a child, he faced rejection, bullying and depression, leading him to contemplate suicide. It wasn't until he had a personal encounter with Jesus Christ that Nick found the strength to overcome his challenges and live a full and fruitful life. His faith gave him the courage to pursue his dreams, and he has gone on to become a worldwide evangelist, entrepreneur, speaker and author.

Nick's mission extends far beyond his own personal testimony. In 2005, he founded Life Without Limbs, an international ministry, where he today serves as President and CEO.

In 2012, Nick married his wife Kanae, with whom he now has four children - two boys and twin girls. Together, they reside in Dallas, Texas.

For nearly 20 years, Nick and the team at Life Without Limbs have been dedicated to advocating for the brokenhearted, including the disabled, the foster child, the prisoner, the unborn, the veteran, the bullied, the oppressed, and the suicidal. Nick's powerful message of hope has resonated with people from all walks of life, providing the opportunity to share the Gospel with over 750 million people. He is on a mission to reach another billion souls with the Gospel message as the ministry continues.

Further proving the power of hope and a sense of purpose, Nick has had the privilege of addressing 12 national governments and meeting 24 Presidents, Vice Presidents and Prime Ministers. Nick's unwavering faith and resilience have made him an inspiration to millions, proving that with God, anything is possible.



The 2023 Big Jesus Tent event will be held in the North Texas suburb of Allen, Texas.

Big Jesus Tent is sponsored by Nick V Ministries.

#### **Event details:**

- October 12-15 and October 19-22, 2023 at 6:30 pm CST.
- Local Dallas/Ft. Worth area churches, Christian nonprofits and business leaders are invited to unite in the effort to mobilize volunteers, bring the lost and provide resources for the brokenhearted.
- Big Jesus Tent contains 6,000 seats within 55,000 square feet of space.

In alignment with Nick V Ministries' "Champions for the Brokenhearted" initiatives, each night during Big Jesus Tent, Nick will interview a special guest who is representing and ministering to one of the following specific topics:

- The Abused October 12 Jenna Quinn, Sponsor of Jenna's Law
   It is estimated that 2 in 3 children suffer some type of abuse before age 18. This abuse can be sexual, physical, mental or emotional perpetrated by someone they trust. Jenna will discuss how to find healing after experiencing any form of abuse.
- The Trafficked October 13 Jaco Booyens, Founder of Jaco Booyens Ministries
   Up to 50% of child trafficking is enabled by a caregiver and 50% of those cases are the child's own mother. Nick and Jaco will shed light on this dark trade and share some practical ways to mitigate these negative trends.
- The Prisoner October 14 Jay Harvey, Director of NVM Prison Ministry
   Many prisoners come from poverty or foster care, while their incarceration affects another
   generation of children and families. Nick and Jay will discuss the challenges prisoners and their
   families face, as well as the faith leaders and churches that are growing behind bars.
  - The Widow October 15 Rachel Faulkner Brown, Founder of Be Still Ministries
     After being widowed twice, finding freedom in Christ was the solution that Rachel discovered for her grief. Joining Nick on stage, she will encourage widows and others who are experiencing grief

and loss to discover the same.

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 The Poor/Urban Restoration – October 19 – Pastor James Ward, Author, Senior Pastor of Insight Church, Chicago

Over 40 million Americans live in poverty, resulting in persistent issues like homelessness among inner city communities. Nick will interview Pastor James Ward to address root issues of poverty and societal division.

• The Addicted - October 20 - Gary Wilkerson, President of World Challenge

Addiction of any kind is a spiritual disease that is destroying souls, families and careers. 21 million Americans have at least one addiction related to substance abuse alone. Nick and Gary will discuss resources and spiritual solutions for the addicted.

• The Veteran/Suicidal – October 21 – General Bob Dees, President/CEO of Stone Ridge Foundation for Healthy Veterans

18 million Americans are military veterans. Nick will speak with General Dees about effective support for veterans as manage PTSD, living and health costs, disability and thoughts of suicide.

• The Unborn/Foster - October 22 - TBA

There are nearly 400,000 children in the foster system nationwide and over 28,000 of them are in Texas. Nick will interview several guests regarding the value of the unborn child and the great need for adoption and foster care.

• The Disabled – Every night during the 8-day event.

60 million Americans have at least one form of disability, ranging from physical, intellectual, mental or another impairment. Nick's courage in the face of his own limblessness is a source of hope for those with special needs around the world.



## SUGGESTED INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

- From where did the vision come for Big Jesus Tent?
- Why have you chosen to bring the tent to North Texas?
- What do you hope to accomplish at the event this October?
- How can local Dallas/Ft. Worth area churches, Christian nonprofits and business leaders partner with the event?
- Who is invited to attend Big Jesus Tent and do they need to register in advance?
- What are the 12 Champions for the Brokenhearted initiatives and why are they important?
- How will Champions for the Brokenhearted be represented at the tent?
- How will the Big Jesus Tent foster church integration and discipleship following the event?
- What do you see for the future in 2024 and beyond?