



Why God, Why?

In our [Nov. 20 newsletter](#), we featured a letter from Kelly Tillotson, daughter of Build Futures Executive Director and Founder Kathy Tillotson. She relayed a story about her eye-opening Christmas which inspired her to channel her grief into writing with her original song "Why God Why."

We thought you'd enjoy a chance to [hear the song](#), which scores the slideshow presentation "Build Futures Impacts Lives" in [this YouTube recording](#).

The lyrics tell the poignant story of youth homelessness through Kelly's eyes:

Why God, Why?

*That teenage girl, she's just eighteen
Spends her nights sleeping in the junkyard right outside
that county line
She feels just like the trash she's sleeping in
Cause she's been thrown out, so many times*

*That little boy who spends Christmas night, all alone in a
van outside
No coat to keep him warm, he watches through his door
as the happy families pass him by
Why God, why?*

***They're crying out but no one hears a sound
So caught up in our own world, we drown them out
I ask myself whose fault it is and look up to the sky
But maybe I, aimed too high, maybe it's mine...***

*I'm driving home when I look outside
See a homeless guy, it breaks my heart, but I just drive
right by
I'll never know he left without a dime
To face his hungry baby and his wife*

*It's 3am but I still can't sleep
Cause the memory of that homeless guy
Is still haunting me*



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*I tell myself there's nothing I could do
But I know that's not the truth, so why don't I try
Why God, why?*

***They're crying out but no one hears a sound
So caught up in our own world, we drown them out
I ask myself whose fault it is and look up to the sky
But maybe I, aimed too high, maybe it's mine...***

*But it's not too late, so God show me the way
To make a change and stop wasting time
Asking you why...*

***Cause they're screaming out but no one hears a
sound
So caught up in our own world, we drown them out
I ask myself whose fault it is and look up to the sky
But maybe I, aimed too high, maybe it's mine...all
mine***

Thank you for your support as we work to make sure no-one has to ask, "Why God, Why?" again.

To follow Kelly and her band MamaDear, [visit their website](#).



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On Tuesday, December 1, charities, families, businesses, community centers, and people around the world came together for one common purpose: to celebrate generosity and to support nonprofits.

We would like to thank the donors who took part in this tradition of generosity by contributing to Build Futures on **#GivingTuesday**. If you missed this year's campaign, don't wait until next year. You can donate today to give homeless kids a safe place to sleep and a job today. Help us show these kids they have a future, and the support necessary to achieve great things.

Please consider making a gift to Build Futures: www.buildfutures.org/donate

Build Futures' mission is to help homeless, runaway, and at-risk youth ages 18 to 24 get off the street and become self-sufficient, contributing members of our community.

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