

# Live It!



**April 2008**

## Summer Mission Adventures

***Walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God." Colossians 1:10***

HAVE YOU MADE PLANS FOR THE SUMMER? MISSION OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY. CHECK OUT THESE IDEAS...

### MC2

WOW Bible Study  
Hands-On Mission/Service Opportunities  
Skills Development Sessions  
(These included age-level training for WMU leaders)  
Dynamic Worship

**Adults:** Get involved in God's work through building ramps for the elderly, painting bedrooms at a pregnancy center, knitting caps for newborns, praying and worshipping with new friends, and experiencing God through sharing your story. Activities are planned for preschoolers, children, youth. Bring the whole family!

**Youth:** Mission/service projects in the community, Bible study, Meet the Missionaries, Awesome Worship!

**Children:** Mission/service projects at Eagle Eyrie, recreation, crafts, enrichment, Joyful Worship!



For more information on this event visit the website [www.mc2-va.com](http://www.mc2-va.com)

## Mission Opportunity for Families:

**Family Adventure Camp** – This mini-week offers an opportunity for families of all ages and sizes to enjoy CrossRoads together. Campers and adults participate in age-appropriate Bible studies each day. For the rest of their stay, families may participate in activities together such as worship, adventure recreation, hiking, crafts, meals and missions activities. [www.crossroadsgcc.com](http://www.crossroadsgcc.com) for more information.



## Mission Opportunities for Adults:



**Transformers:** Since 1998, Transformers has been an opportunity for adults to be actively engaged in a large group, hands-on mission setting. Each year nearly 150 adults gather for this event. Construction, worship, personal devotions, and fellowship help give this event a flavor that broadens the horizons of those who attend.

May 13-17, 2008 - Walnut Grove Baptist Church, Dover Baptist Association -- Cost \$100.00 (Collegiate)

May 28-31, 2008 - Amherst Baptist Church, Piedmont Baptist

Association -- Cost:\$100.00 (Adult)

For more information and to register please visit the VBMB webpage at [www.vbmb.org/globalmissions/transformers.cfm](http://www.vbmb.org/globalmissions/transformers.cfm)

**Summer Camp Volunteers** — CrossRoads depends on volunteers for a successful week of camp. Volunteers help setup and clean up in the dining hall, assist in various camp programs such as crafts, missions adventures and canteen, and offer an encouraging smile or hug to campers and staff. They may also lend a hand with odd jobs around camp such as filing or making phone calls in the office, sorting the day's mail, and taking pictures for the end of the week slide show. Are you or an adult leader at your church interested in serving for a week this summer? Contact the CrossRoads office at 434.277.8465 or go to <http://www.crossroadsgcc.com/FormsSummerCamp.htm> for an information packet.



**Volunteer Nurses** – CrossRoads has a registered nurse on site during each week of summer camp. If you are a nurse with a passion for kids, consider volunteering for a week at CrossRoads. **Dates needed:** June 12-14, July 7-12, July 14-19, July 21-26, July 28-Aug.2

**Missionaries** – CrossRoads is about missions. A big part of the summer camp experience is hearing from missionaries about the work they are doing and how they are sharing God's love. Campers love to hear mission stories, learn about other cultures and hear about how God is working at home and around the world. If you have served or are serving on the mission field, gone on a partnership mission trip, or have a special cultural experience, come share your story during one week of summer camp at CrossRoads. **Dates needed:** June 12-14, July 7-12, July 14-19, July 21-26, July 28-Aug.2 & Aug. 7-9



**Send a kid to camp**—Do you know a child in 4th-12th grade that would like to spend a week at summer camp? \* Send them to CrossRoads! \* Pay the registration fee for a child you know. \*Donate to one of our summer camp scholarships. \*Nominate a child in your church or community for a scholarship. Registration forms and scholarship forms can be downloaded here:  
<http://www.crossroadsgccc.com/FormsSummerCamp.htm>.

**Adopt a summer staffer**—They greatly benefit from your prayers and encouragement! If you would agree to pray regularly for a certain staff member and send them periodic notes (or small packages!) of encouragement, contact Summer Camp Director, Tracy Proffitt, to choose a staffer (434.277.8465 or [tproffitt@crossroadsgccc.com](mailto:tproffitt@crossroadsgccc.com)).



**Donate to the Wish List**—Have your WMU, Acteens, or GA group select a certain item to collect or donate money towards. Mail or hand deliver the items to CrossRoads. Call ahead to schedule a tour of the beautiful CrossRoads facility! Check out the Summer Camp Wish List at <http://www.crossroadsgccc.com/WishListNew.htm> for a list of items that CrossRoads needs.

## Mission Opportunities for Youth and Children:

**Outflow** is an experiential mission opportunity for students ages 12-18. Individuals and student mission groups may apply. Each team will be led by adults from participating churches and an on-site missionary. Experiences are custom-designed to fit the passions of team members and the needs that exist in the world.

The first Outflow team will serve in August 2008. Location will be in the U.S. Contact Kristen White at [kwhite@wmu-va.org](mailto:kwhite@wmu-va.org) by June 1 if you are interested. (NOTE: Outflow is similar to Activators and Point Teams)



**Impact Va!** is a one week construction mission opportunity for teenagers. The projects will have between 250 and 300 participants and will focus on home repair and renovation. Morning and evening worship celebrations will help begin and end the day of work with the right spirit and attitude.

June 15-21, 2008 – Staunton (Augusta Association)  
July 13-19, 2008 – Culpeper (Shiloh Association)  
July 20-26, 2008 – Bowling Green (Hermon Association)  
Cost: \$225.00

For more information on Impact Virginia, or information on Impact Now! (response to natural disaster), Impact Metro! (urban-centered experience), Impact International (international project), visit [www.vbmb.org/impact](http://www.vbmb.org/impact)

**CrossRoads Camp Leader in Training Program:** Open to teens ages 14-18, the LIT Program is for students who have a desire to develop their leadership skills and take a deeper look into God's will for their lives.

**Summer Camp at CrossRoads:** Coed Camp, Girls Camp, High Adventure, Girls Arts Mini-Week.

## **International Mission Opportunities:**

**China:** Lynn Yarborough, missionary to China, is looking for college age and adult groups to assist with conversational English and a migrant school project in Nanjing. Information can be found on the VBMB website: [www.vbmb.org/glocalmissions/partnership.cfm](http://www.vbmb.org/glocalmissions/partnership.cfm)

**Switzerland:** Virginia Baptists are looking for 30 volunteers to help with activities for the annual children's retreat in Switzerland. They are the children of parents attending the International Baptist Convention July 2—11. Please contact Kim Phillips at [krphillips02@comcast.net](mailto:krphillips02@comcast.net), phone 703.730-9792 or contact Craig Waddell at the VBMB for more information.

**Belgium:** International Baptist Church of [Jurbise, Belgium](#) – July 25th-August 2nd (flexible); 2-10 persons to do VBS

**Germany:** International Baptist Church of [Bremen, Germany](#) (also Hannover, Celle, International Christian Church/Celle) – dates flexible; Training for teachers of Sunday School children (18mos.-12yrs.)

**Italy:** G.B. Taylor Institute near [Rome, Italy](#) – anytime in June; Paint the rooms of the retirement home.

**India:** URGENT - – Mini Bible School during the first two weeks of April, 2008

**For more information visit the VBMB glocal missions webpage at [www.vbmb.org/glocalmissions/partnership.cfm](http://www.vbmb.org/glocalmissions/partnership.cfm)**

## **COMMUNITY MISSION IDEAS**

**Block Party:** Plan a Block Party Cookout for your community: In one church, the deacons invited the neighbors within a few blocks of the church to a free cookout as a way to get to know the community.

**Playground Ministry:** Parents of children in the church can monitor the church playground on summer evenings. Opening it to the community for children to play offers church members the opportunity to connect with parents in the community and spend time together as a family.

**Church Daycare Outreach:** If your church has an evening VBS, why not have a smaller team work during the day with church daycare to provide VBS. These kids are there long hours and may not have the opportunity to come back in the evening. It also provides activity for school age children still in childcare.

**Coffee Bar:** Provide coffee to go in the morning as daycare parents drop their children off at church.

**Book Net:** BookNet is part of the Great Commission Teachers project of the WMU of Virginia. Opportunities for individuals or groups include...

Poetry reading for residents in nursing homes

Providing books and bookcases for Habitat homes

Providing bibles and devotional books for Moms in prisons or shelters

Providing large print reading materials and magnifying glasses for nursing home residents.

**This summer make your vacation a Mission Adventure!**