



Keeping Carmel Connected

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Dear Carmel Family & Friends:

Welcome to the Summer Edition of The Table!

I hope you'll make the most of these slower and warmer months - soak up precious time with family and friends, get outside and enjoy God's creation (I love that we live so close to the beach AND the mountains), and spend time daily with your Heavenly Father - in His Word and in prayer.

Many great things are happening at and through Carmel this Summer that are designed to enrich your Life in Christ. I listed a few below. Read more about them on the pages that follow - and plug into as many as vou can!

- Summer Sermon Series: Living in the Power of the Holy Spirit
- Prayer Gatherings
- Wednesday Night Dinner and Bible Study (June & July)
- College Ministry Thursday Nights
- Preschool, CarmelKidz and Student Ministry Sunday mornings and Summer Camps
- LOVE+SERVE Summer opportunities
- Summer Mission Trips

Also, please add these important late-Summer/early-Fall events to your calendar:

- CarmelDigsIt (Student Discipleship Center and Gym ground breaking) Saturday, August 13 @ 9:00am
- Leadership Summit Sunday, August 21 @ 5:00pm
- Men's Legacy Breakfast Saturday, August 27 @ 7:30am
- Promotion Sunday for Preschool, Carmel Kidz and Student Ministry Sunday, August 28
- Parent Summit Saturday, October 1 from 9:00am 2:00pm

Finally, we are entering an exciting season of construction on campus! The modulars have been removed, the playground pulled up (to be relocated), the contents of the CCS Middle School building saved/repurposed and the Middle School building knocked down - all to make way for the Student Discipleship Center and CCS Gym. Plan extra time to park on Sunday mornings during this process - or better yet, ride the shuttle from Elizabeth Lane Elementary. Your patience and prayers are appreciated during this season. I can't wait to see how God uses Student Ministry and CCS in this new space to reach the next generation for His glory!

Enjoy a restful and enriching Summer.

Love you Carmel!

Pastor Alex



### Sundays @ Carmel

Join Pastor Alex this summer for a 10-week series!





Please ride the shuttle on Sunday mornings! Construction of the Student Discipleship Center is underway. Traffic patterns are modified and parking on-campus will be very limited. Park at Elizabeth Lane Elementary and enjoy door-to-door service. The shuttle runs every Sunday from 7:15am to 12:45pm.

### Opportunities for Young Adults & College Students

#### **Sunday Mornings**

The NEW! Young Adult DC (18 yrs and up), meets Sundays at 9:30am in Room A107 and is led by Ed Woodall & Belinda Schrenker. This is a great place for you to get plugged in, reconnect and re-engage at Carmel Baptist.

The College-Age Discipleship Community meets at 11:00am on Sundays in A107 and is led by Justin Taylor, College & Young Adult Pastor.

#### College Thursday Nights + SERVE Opportunites!

As schedules wind down for summer, College Ministry activities ramp up! Join us for game nights, shark week, bowling, pool parties, as well as wrestling with Scripture, hard questions, the reality of life in college, justice, service, and seeking the Lord in prayer. Reserve your Thursday nights this summer for Carmel College events. Below is a snapshot of June. For details, time and location, email: melaniem@carmelbaptist.org.

June 2 Summer Kick Off (pizza & Bible Study)

June 9 Volleyball Night

SERVE Night: Serve our Neighbors at Carrington Place by facilitating Bingo Night June 16

June 23

June 29 SERVE Day: Serve our Neighbors at Jackson Park Ministries Summer Day Camp (9:00am - 3:00pm)

June 30 Shark Week Events



### Opportunities for Sr. Adults (55+)

- On Thursday, June 23, Carmel's 55+ enjoy a trip to Flat Rock, NC to see The Music Man.
- On Saturday, July 16, travel with Carmel to the Billy Graham Library!
- On Thursday, August 11, come for lunch and fellwoship and stay for a movie (your kids and grandkids are welcome to join you!)

Visit carmelbaptist.org and click on Events for details. To register for these events contact Melanie Hatfield at melanieh@carmelbaptist.org or 704.847.8575.



### **Summer Night of Baseball**

Everyone is invited to join Carmel's Senior Adults (age 55+) on Wednesday, August 17 for an evening ballgame between the Charlotte Knights and the Gwinnett Braves. Cost per ticket is \$15 and parking fees will vary depending upon where you park. The deadline to register online is Wednesday, July 13.



### **Wednesday Nights**

Regular Wednesday Night programming takes a Summer break, but we will still offer **DINNER** from 4:45 - 6:00pm and **BIBLE STUDY** led by Charles Cranford & Bill Smith during June and July. This summer's topic is "The hard saying of the Bible." There will be NO Wednesday Night meal or Bible Study during the month of August. Our Fall Wednesday Nights @ Carmel will resume September 7, with Dinner and the Quarterly Business Meeting. On September 14, we kick off programming for all ages.













Carmel Christian School (CCS), established in 1993, strives to cultivate a community of academic excellence, artistic expression and athletic distinction marked by intentional discipleship. Through partnering with parents, CCS fosters each student's biblical foundation, relationships, and curriculum, so students will, in turn, develop Christ-centered wisdom and make a difference for His Kingdom both now and in the future as leaders of the next generation.



#### Welcome Head of School, Mike Long!

Earlier this year, CCS announced Mike Long as Head of School and he formally assumes this role in June. Long shares, "I am excited to join the CCS family, partner with over 550 families in the Charlotte area and reach close to 900 students in Grades K-12 on a daily basis. At Carmel Christian, we want to not only teach children to make a living, but to also have life in Christ." Long comes to CCS from Roswell, Georgia where he served as Head of the Upper School and on the leadership team at Fellowship Christian School.



#### Congratulations Class Of 2016!

On May 22, CCS's third and largest senior class of 36 became graduates!

100% of the graduates were accepted to a college or university of their choice. The Class of 2016 have been offered over \$3 million in scholarships to date.

### **Carmel Staff Updates**



#### 20th Anniversary Recognition - Sean Lee, Children's Minister

Six years after joining Carmel in 1990 in the WEE School, Sean stepped into her leadership role discipling Carmel's 1st - 6th Graders. In addition to leading the dynamic CarmelKidz Ministry, Sean also oversees Carmel's Women's Ministry. Her work has impacted so many lives at Carmel and we praise God for her faithful service.



#### Welcome - Jon Freeman, Missional Outreach Pastor

Jon Freeman will oversee all aspects of Neighbors, Nations, Church Planting and Least of These Ministries at Carmel. Jon has extensive experience in leadership as a church planting strategist and implementing missional partnerships. Jon recently returned to the United States from India where he served as a Campus Pastor at the Central Delhi Congregation of Delhi Bible Fellowship. Jon has a passion to inspire and enable The Church to embrace a kingdom-first lifestyles. Jon and his wife of 15 years, Kim, have 5 children: Jackson, Benjamin, Katherine, Samuel, and Harrison.



#### Welcome - David Miller, Student Ministry Associate

David Miller joins the Carmel Student Ministry team as Student Discipleship Pastor. Throughout the past ten years David and his wife Amanda have lived and served in churches in Virginia. David and Amanda are both graduates from Liberty University. David has a Bachelors of Arts in Religious Studies with an emphasis in Youth Ministry and a Masters of Arts in Religion with an emphasis in Church Ministry. David loves to teach, relates well with students, and has a great heart for discipleship.



#### Team Transitions

This summer, after 11 years of service, **Diane McGee** will step down as Missional Outreach Ministry Assistant. We are filled with gratitude for all the behind-the-scene works Diane has done to facilitate Carmel's outreach and mission trips. Her position will be filled by Alesha McNally, who has served on Carmel's Finance team since 2013. We welcome back Kim Grey into the role of Finance/Accounts Payable.



### Summer Intern Shout Out

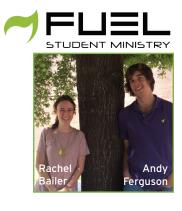
The Generations Team welcomes these college students who are working this summer to help disciple the next generation. Tune into social media and *Enews* where we'll spotlight each of them this summer!





Margaret

David Shelton Allison







### Get ready for a great FALL

#### Fall Women's Bible Studies



Due to the construction of the Student Discipleship Center, we will have limited space to hold Weekday Bible Studies on campus. So, we are mobilizing women for HOME (Hearts Offering Ministry and Encouragement) Bible Studies where we can reach out to our Neighbors and Friends in an intimate environment to build authentic friendships and study God's Word. Fall Women's Bible Study information and registration begins August 8 at carmelbaptist.org/women.

#### CARMEL DIGSIT - Saturday, August 13

Turn to the back cover for details about our ground breaking event!

#### Leadership Summit - Sunday, August 21

Sign up to SERVE our Nearest and prepare for your role at Leadership Summit. To learn more, visit carmelbaptist.org/serve/nearest.

#### Men's Legacy Breakfast - Saturday, August 27

This Fall we launch Men's Legacy Breakfast - four breakfasts over the next year to help men (9th Grade and older) embrace their identity in Jesus Christ. The focus of our first breakfast - Saturday, August 27, at 7:30am - is Awaken the Warrior in You. Every man has the courage of a warrior built in Him as an image-bearer of God. Come awaken and embrace the warrior in you to courageously step into fear and commit to act even when you are uncertain of the outcome. Register online today!



#### Promotion Sunday - Sunday, August 28

All children move up to their next age/grade level! Adults not actively involved in a Discipleship Community are encouraged to try a few out.

#### Fall Sermon Focus - Sunday, August 28

Pastor Alex will spend the Fall focused on Neighbors! His first sermon series - The Sacred Streets of Charlotte - will begin Sunday, August 28. Don't miss it!

#### New Discipleship Communities to Launch - Sunday, August 28

Carmel is a BIG church but it feels small when you're in a Discipleship Community (DC)! Several new 9:30 and 11:00am DCs will begin meeting in the Fall. If you are not currently active in a Discipleship Community, stay tuned to Enews for details and plug into one!

#### New to Carmel? "The Bridge" is for You!



"The Bridge" is a six-session Sunday morning class taught by Pastor Jay Hancock. It's designed for those who are new to Carmel and interested in learning more about the church, the Bible and how to get more connected. "The Bridge" will meet between September 11 and October 16 at 9:30am. Interested in connecting with Carmel before the class begins? Visit the Next Step area in the Gathering Space.

#### Parent Summit - Saturday, October 1

Mark your calendar now for Carmel's annual Saturday of equipping focused on raising up the next generation for Christ! Parent Summit is Saturday, October 1 from 8:30am - 2:00pm. Keynote speaker, Stan Sullinger, and relevant breakout sessions will equip you to parent in today's world. And include the kids - we have a Super Saturday track planned just for them!

# Enrich Your Life in (

## ENJOY A GOOD READ

Check out these recommended Summer reads available in the Carmel Media Center. Stop by Sunday mornings (9:00am-12:45pm) and Wednesday Nights (5:30-7:45pm, except in August).

#### Adults

Inspirational and suspenseful romances by Irene Hannon
Inspirational fiction by Christy Award winner Ginny Yttrup
Archaeology, Biblical antiquities and adventure in The Skeleton series by Paul Maier
Legal thrillers with a spiritual component by Charlottean Robert Whitlow

### Beyond Ourselves - Neighbors & Nations Reads

To Transform a City (Eric Swanson)
Insanity of Obedience (Nik Ripken)
The Hole in our Gospel (Richard Stearns)

#### Parents

The Carmel Media Center has over 100 books corresponding to our Milestones Parenting Pathway available for check out and many are also available for purchase at cost.

#### Preschool

Everything a Child Should Know About God (Kenneth Taylor)

I AM: Bible Stories, Devotions & Prayers About the Names of God (Diane Stortz)

The Jesus Storybook Bible (Sally Lloyd-Jones)

The Big God Story (Michelle Anthony)

### CarmelKidz

Great Illustrated Classics- classics abridged and illustrated for children
The Cooper Kids Adventure series (Frank Peretti)
The Boxcar Children series (Gertrude Chandler Warner)

### Students

The Hobbit and The Lord of the Rings (JRR Tolkien)

\* The books are better than the movies!

The True Colors series (Melody Carlson)

The Kingdom series (Chuck Black)



### Road Trippers

Try some audio books or radio dramas on CD. The kids (and adults) will enjoy Adventures in Odyssey, Jonathan Park Adventures or The Chronicles of Narnia. We also have a wide variety of audio books and radio dramas for adults.

# Christ this Summer.

## WATCH QUALITY CONTENT - FOR FREE

About a year ago, Pastor Alex introduced RightNow Media - a gigantic online discipleship video library FREE to everyone who calls Carmel home! Called the "Netflix of Video Bible Studies" and children's Christian programming, RightNow Media provides instant access to over 10,000 discipleship videos for kids, youth and adults instantly on your phone, tablet or computer.

If you would like FREE access to this tool, https://www.rightnow.org/Account/Invite/CarmelBaptistChurch

### LOVE+SERVE YOUR NEIGHBOR

The forecast calls for a Love+Serve Summer! Volunteers of all ages are invited to work the ice cream parlor and enjoy fellowship with the residents of Carrington Place, sort donated clothes at Project 658 or help host VBS for the children of Jackson Park Ministries. Turn to Page 12 to check out these and other opportunities for the Carmel Family (all ages) to be the hands and feet of Christ to our Neighbors this summer (and year round!).

### GO TO THE NATIONS

Check out Page 13 for upcoming Mission Trips as well as NEW trip locations planned for 2016-2017!

### PRAY

#### Pastor Alex's Prayer Gathering

1st Wednesday of the Month @ 6:15pm in the Worship Center Everyone is welcome to gather for prayer led by Pastor Alex for our Nearest, Neighbors and the Nations.

#### Daughters of the King

Every Thursday Morning @ 11:45pm in the Prayer Room AND Every 3rd Tuesday Evening of the Month @ 7:00pm in the Prayer Room All women of Carmel are invited to these regular, informal prayer gatherings.

#### **Elder Praver**

1st Sunday of each month in the Prayer Room
The Elders and their wives are available the 1st Sunday of each month
in the Prayer Room between services to pray with and for you.

#### The Carmel Mile

Prayer walk the one-mile trail around the perimeter of our campus (with a few detours due to construction). The prayer prompts are currently focused on our efforts to disciple the next generation at Carmel.

For additional prayer resources, visit carmelbaptist.org/connect/prayer/.





#### Sunday Mornings

#### Lower Level Preschoolers: God can use little children to do BIG things!

This Summer, our youngest preschoolers will be learning about children in the Bible! They will hear about how God protected Joseph when he was sold into slavery, how God gave David strength to fight Goliath, and how young Josiah led others to God. As we near the end of the Summer, these preschoolers will learn about how God can use them too!

This Month's Special Words: God can use little children to do BIG things!

#### Threes - Kindergarteners: Passports with Paul...A Summer Adventure!

Make plans now to join us this Summer as we travel with Paul! Your Passport to adventure awaits! Beginning Sunday, June 12, preschoolers on the main level will embark on a Summer-long journey through the life of Paul. On our travels we will:

- Visit scenic destinations like Jerusalem, Philippi, the Island of Malta, and Rome!
- Discover how Paul took the Good News of Jesus all over the world!
- Get your Passport stamped each week...can you collect them all?

This Month's Special Words: Go and tell the world the Good News of Jesus!

#### Back to Bible Camp (June 27 - 30)

350 preschoolers will gather to hear about the *surprising* life of Jesus. From His birth in a very uncommon place, to how He amazed the teachers and priests in the Temple at a young age with His wisdom and knowledge, to how He miraculously "super sized" a little boys lunch to feed thousands and how He rose from the dead - you never knew what was coming next! The children will have an opportunity to experience Jesus with hands-on activities. Please pray for both the children and our volunteer leadership. May we truly be surprised as we seek to learn more about Jesus.

#### Summertime Activities to Teach Your Kids about God:

- **1. Go on an alphabet tour.** As you ride in the car or walk in the neighborhood encourage your children to find something God has created or made that begins with each letter. Go in ABC order. Have a family member write each finding down. As you complete the activity talk about God's goodness in all the things He provides for us
- **2. Get out the colander and pipe cleaners.** Let the children stick the pipe cleaners through various holes in the colander. Thread fruit loops or cheerios on the pipe cleaners. Talk about the many ways that God was creative.
- **3. Learn the books of the Bible as a family.** After learning either the Old Testament or the New Testament have mom or dad write the name of each book on a plastic throw away cup. Have a family member stack the cups in the correct order. You can race to see which family member can do it faster. Thank God for His love letter to us, the Bible.
- **4. Host a neighborhood reading party.** Invite kids to bring their favorite book to read outside. Serve them lemonade. Share with the children that God also wants us to read His story, the Bible.
- **5. Have a family or neighborhood cupcake decorating contest.** Bake cupcakes and provide different colors of frosting, sprinkles, and other toppings. Pick a couple of people to be judges and enjoy eating the cupcakes. Quote Psalm 34:8 together "Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good."

We'd love to see pictures of you and your family enjoying these and other activities that teach your children about God. Snap your pics and post to our social media or email Miss Debbie at debbiev@carmelbaptist.org.

#### 1st-5th Grade Summer Sundays





This Summer, CarmelKidz 1st-5th Graders and Special Needs will hit the road with Paul to learn more about the walk or the path God has for them. Our "Walk this Way" Sunday mornings include Praise and Worship, fun relationship building, faith skills games and small group time.

#### **Summer Discipleship Experiences!**

#### 1st & 2nd Graders take an Amazing Journey Back to Bible Times

More than 180 1st and 2nd Graders - led by 130 adult/student leaders - get to experience Bible Times as they walk where Jesus Walked **June 27 - June 30**. They will visit the Sea, the Valley, walk Along the Way, and experience a City in the Holy Land. They will meet people Jesus ministered to and taught. Check out the recap video at carmelbaptist.org/amazingjourney in July!





#### 3rd-6th Graders go to Covenant Camp

235 of our 3rd-6th Graders, along with 95 counselors will venture to Look Up Lodge **July 17 - July 22** to dig deeper to DISCOVER our Covenant God and what it means to have a Covenant relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Don't miss the recap video from camp, available in August at carmelbaptist.org/camp.

#### At the Preteen Junction (6th Grade) this Summer

Preteens will be exploring what we believe along with what other religions believe in what we call *Which Way to God*. This is a time where we come alongside what kids learn in school and add a Biblical view to the religions of the world. We will also talk through the Apostles Creed and write our own Creed stating what we believe.

**Preteen Father/Son and Preteen Mother/Daughter Bible Studies** will be held on Wednesday nights June 8, 15, 22 and 29 from 6:30-7:45pm in the Uptown Area. This is a time for us to look at the roles of men and women according to God's Word. Look for more information in the Preteen eNewsletter.

#### Come SERVE in CarmelKidz

Are you looking for a place to make a difference to the Next Generation?

- **Become a Small Group Leader:** Be another voice on Sunday mornings (a 1-year commitment) or Wednesday nights (September-May, three times a month)
- Be an Administrator: Help prepare supplies in advance for Sunday mornings. Contact seanl@carmelbaptist.org for more information.

#### **Key Dates:**

**June 19-August 21:** Summer CarmelKidz DC - Walk This Way

Wednesday Nights, June 8, 15, 22 and 29 Preteen Father/Son, Mother/Daughter Bible Studies

**August 7:** CarmelKidz 1st-5th Graders leading worship at all three Sunday morning services (Rehearsal, Saturday, August 6 at 4:00pm)

**Sunday, August 21:** CarmelKidz Sunday DC Year End Celebration

**Sunday, August 28:** Promotion Sunday

#### Mark Your Calendars - We're Leading Worship!



CarmelKidz will lead worship in all three services on Sunday, August 7. The required rehearsal is on Saturday, August 6 in the Worship Center from 4:00 - 5:00pm.

#### **Summer Memory Verse:**

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"When you walk, your steps will be not hampered; when you run, you will not stumble. Hold on to instruction, do not let it go; guard it well, for it is your life." (Proverbs 4:12-13 NIV)









High School Students (completed grades 9-12) are invited to a Sunday open house fellowship at one of the Student Ministry Staff homes from 7:00 - 9:00pm. We will hang out, play games, talk about life, and have fun. Locations will be communicated as the dates approach. Dates: June 12, June 26, July 10, July 24 and August 7



#### Carrigan Farms

Looking for the perfect time to get plugged in? All Middle School and High School Students (completed grades 7-12) are invited to join us for a day trip to Carrigan Farms on Wednesday, July 27. Join us for cliff jumping, sand volleyball, swimming, and a cook out. Don't miss the opportunity to make great connections and build relationships with other students. This day trip is one of the most anticipated events of the summer! Register at carmelstudents.org.



#### 4G

Summer Wednesdays are made for Girls, Guys, Games, & God. We play fun games that everyone can participate in along with a devotion. Students that have completed grades 7-12 come join us and bring a friend as we meet at Boyce Park on Field 2 from 10:00 - 11:30am. No need to register. Just show up and have fun!

Dates: June 15, June 29, July 6, July 20, August 3, August 10





#### Fuel Up

This night is all about our rising 7th Grade students and parents. Please join us in the Gym at 6:30pm on Wednesday, August **31** to hear about the discipleship path for students, ask questions, and meet the Student Ministry Staff.



#### **Discipleship Community** Summer Study: **Transitions**

Summer is here and we are excited to kick-off our Summer DC study on June 12 called *Transitions: Moving Forward.* Every year students make a transition from one grade to the next and each grade has it's own difficulties and responsibilities that go along with it. Our goal is to help students uncover Biblical principles to handle the transition and prepare them for what they will face this next school year. Students continue in their small group throughout the summer in DC at 9:30 or 11:00am.



#### Camp

HS and MS Students will attend ECamp at Crowder's Ridge, July 11-15, in Gastonia, NC. This year we are taking over 120 students to camp!!! Please be in prayer for our students to recognize their potential with the purpose of the Gospel and be equipped to live for Jesus.







#### **Mission Trips**

This Summer Student Ministry will be on mission in three different locations this summer including Kenya, Mexico, and right here in Charlotte. Please be in prayer for our ministry teams.

Kenya Dates: June 16-27 | Mexico Dates: June 18-25 | Charlotte Dates: June 19-24





Looking for things to do this Summer? Check out some of the Love + Serve Summer opportunities below. And, watch Enews and social media for more opportunities and ideas for you, your college student, teen or wee-one to Love + Serve all Summer long!

For more information on how you can serve, contact Connie Cardone at conniec@carmelbaptist.org



#### **CARRINGTON PLACE**

WHAT: Serve ice cream, visit or assist with bingo WHO: all ages welcome (6/16 & 7/21 - College only)

WHEN: 6/7, 6/16, 6/27, 7/5/ 7/21 & 7/25

TIME: Afternoons or evenings



#### JACKSON PARK

WHAT: Assist with Vacation Bible School activites for kids living in West Charlotte

WHO: all ages welcome (6/29 - College only)
WHEN: 6/27, 6/28, 6/29, 6/30, 7/1 & 8/1
TIME: 9:00 - 3:00pm (or half days)



#### **JOYFUL HEARTS**

WHAT: Host friends with Special Needs at a Carmel event with crafts, food & dancing

WHO: Ages 14 & up

**WHEN: 8/5** 

TIME: 5:30 - 9:30pm





WHAT: Yard work, sort clothes, etc.

WHO: all ages welcome WHEN: 7/9, 8/13 & 9/10 TIME: 10:00 - 12:00pm



### Mission Trips: Let's GO!





























Short-term missions is a transformational experience. Those who come back from serving on a mission trip have an expanded worldview, discovered gifts and callings, formed new relationships and friendships, and been used to strengthen and encourage both those who serve overseas as well as local believers.

#### LEAD a Trip Team to a NEW Location

Carmel Missions is looking for individuals to lead short-term mission teams to several new and exciting locations this year, including Egypt, Bulgaria, Greece, Philippines, Thailand, Bolivia, Paraguay, Ecuador and more! Trip Team Leaders help others discover their gifts and talents, grow in Christ, and expand their worldview and perspective.

#### Interested? A Trip Team Leader Information Meeting will be held in early September.

Contact Alesha McNally at alesham@carmelbaptist.org. for meeting details.

#### GO on a Mission Trip

(Fall 2016 - Summer 2017)

The power of short-term missions cannot be explained, it has to be experienced. Take that step of faith and allow the Lord to use you in ways you have never imagined and show you things you never dreamed possible.

**Interested?** Below are upcoming Carmel Mission Trips for 2016/2017 We encourage you to be in prayer and see where the Lord would have you go.

Visit carmelbaptist.org. for more information.

Albania - October 2016

Ethiopia - October 2016

**Dominican Republic** - February 2017

Albania - March 2017

**Guatemala** - June 2017

Mexico (Student Trip) - June 2017

Kenya (Student Trip) - June 2017

Ukraine - June 2017

Bolivia - July 2017

**Cuba** - July 2017

Guyana - July 2017













### **Pray For Our Summer Mission Trips**

Carmel is excited to be sending 7 international mission trips this Summer, involving 100 people who will be traveling more than 49,000 miles, to proclaim and witness the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Please join us in prayer for the safety and protection of all of these team members, as well as the specific prayer requests listed below:



#### Team Guatemala | Dates June 11 - 18 | Team Leader Wendy and John Marus

- For the church women our team will work with to more fully understand their worth and identity in Christ.
- For the team to have the opportunity to proclaim and witness the Gospel to many of the indigenous Mayan people.



#### Team Kenya | Dates June 16 - 27 | Team Leader Josh Fairbaugh

- For the 9 members on this Student trip to grow in their understanding and excitement for long-term community and Gospel development in Kenya.
- For those at Riverside Church and Tenwek Hospital to once again be encouraged and blessed by Carmel's partnership with them in the Gospel through this visit.



#### Team Cuba | Dates June 16 - 24 | Team Leader Peter Cordero

• For relationships with local pastors and believers to be deepened and the team to have many opportunities to encourage and strengthen the local church.



#### Team Albania | Dates June 17 - 25 | Team Leader Arion and Wendi Skenderi

• For the Gospel to be clearly presented to the over 70 children from the local church and orphanage attending Bible camp and decisions for Christ.



#### Team Ukraine | Dates June 16 - 24 | Team Leader Bill Smith

- For many people from the local community to attend the Sports Camp and respond to the presentation of the Gospel.
- For our team to bring encouragement and comfort to the people of the Ukraine as their country has been torn apart by the war.



#### Team Mexico | Dates June 16 - 24 | Team Leader Ryan Jackson

- For the Gospel to change lives.
- For our Students to see God's presence and movement.



#### Team Guyana | Dates July 23 - August 6 | Team Leader Beth Puckett

- For prisoner's hearts to be open to the Gospel to the point of a decision and for those already Christians to be encouraged.
- For the children and teens we work with to see the love of Christ in us and be ready to accept Jesus (or move a step closer to Him).



### GROUND BREAKING SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

Earlier this year, the Carmel Family completed the **Cultivate Challenge** - a season focused on:

- Cultivating our hearts and homes to be fertile soil where roots go deep.
- Coming together to invest in dedicated space where we're equipped to live fruitfully and make disciples of our Nearest.

As a result of the Challenge and His generous provision, Carmel Baptist Church & Carmel Christian School (CCS) are constructing a Student Discipleship Center and a CCS Upper School Gym. Site prep has been underway since May and our next BIG event is ground breaking!

Let's gather Saturday, August 13 at 9:00am at the construction site for a time of prayer and celebration.

Follow the construction progress via *Enews*, online at our Construction Update blog and on social media at #carmeldigsit.



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VOLUNTEERS TAKING A WEEK OFF TO DISCIPLE THE NEXT GENERATION AT CARMEL KIDZ CAMP

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SERIES LIVING IN
THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

INTERNATIONAL SUMMER MISSION TRIPS

MILES PRESCHOOLERS & CARMEL KIDZ WILL TRAVEL WITH PAUL ON SUNDAY MORNINGS THIS SUMMER

PRESCHOOL, CARMEL KIDZ, AND STUDENTS ATTENDING CARMEL MINISTRY CAMPS

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