

# FAMILY MINISTRY

*Here is what is happening this Summer at the Park!*



## WHAT COMES TO MIND WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT SUMMER?

**Water? The beach? Road trips with too many bathroom breaks? Sunscreen? Yeah, me too!**

I also think of spinning around and around! From the marathon roller coaster rides at the local theme park to the crazy amount of energy it takes to keep the kids occupied, the lives of many of our families tend to include much spinning around during the summer. Many of us run from one place to the next, from one family vacation to another. Sometimes summer can be as crazy as the school year but often with a little different feel.

Our family ministry uses the craziness of summer to our advantage. Our church schedule changes a little bit and we offer different kinds of ministry opportunities than during the school year. Each part of the summer schedule is designed to take advantage of the change in our normal rhythms. We use a variety of ways to communicate the truth of God's love in hopes of sparking a passion for Christ in kids, teenagers, and parents.

I think God often speaks to us in ways and times we do not expect. This is evident

throughout scripture. Jesus did the unexpected often - He spoke to a Samaritan woman in the middle of the day (major no-no), He enjoyed meals with the outcasts and dredges of society (what was He thinking), He called the religious leaders a brood of vipers (oh-no-He-didn't), the list goes on and on. He spent His life spinning things around so we could see things as they are from God's perspective.

As the Family Ministry looks to continually improve and modify some of our normal summer ministry events, we will also be adding some new items with the opening of the new gym. The excitement is building and God is preparing something different for us.

My prayer is God will use every ounce of energy that we spend this summer to bring people closer to Him. Even in the craziness of our schedules, God can come to us when we least expect Him. Let us prepare to be changed in the midst of the spinning because that is often where God will be found.



### **Matthew 6:33-34**

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

# SPORTS CAMP

June 24-28  
9 am - 12 Noon  
Cost - \$50



This multi-sport camp is for all children who have completed 1st through 6th grade!

We will learn and play soccer, football, volleyball, basketball, and more!

Register online at  
[www.collegepark.ws](http://www.collegepark.ws)

**DON'T  
MISS  
WEDNESDAY NIGHTS  
AT THE PARK!**

We have something for the entire family every week at 6:30!

Learning to take God's relationship higher!



## PRESCHOOL DAY CAMP

Every Tuesday  
June 18, 25,  
July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30  
9:00am-12:00pm

Cost is \$10 per day  
or \$50 for the entire week  
(\$100 family max)

Kinder-gartners may choose either camp!

Open to infants through completed Kindergarten!

Registration deadline is June 18.  
Register online at [www.collegepark.ws](http://www.collegepark.ws)  
then click "Children"

## ELEMENTARY DAY CAMP

July 29-August 2  
9:00 am-12:00 pm\*

(\*with optional afternoon activities until 3 pm; lunch is included each afternoon plus either a fun event or service project)

\$50 for morning sessions only  
(\$100 family max)  
OR  
\$75 for both morning & afternoon sessions  
(\$150 family max)

Open to kindergartners through 6th grade (completed) children!

Registration deadline is July 24.  
Register online at [www.collegepark.ws](http://www.collegepark.ws)  
then click "Children"

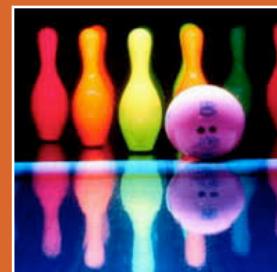
# HOME MISSION TRIP

June 30-July 5  
Cost - \$120

- Who: All youth  
What: A church-wide mission trip to do construction work with Grifton Mission Ministries  
When: June 30-July 5  
Where: Grifton, NC (Greenville area)  
Why: To share Christ's love through construction  
How much: \$120, everything included except some evening meals and travel meals (total of 7 meals not included)  
Sign up: Turn in \$120 and your medical release form by June 23 to get your name on the list! Check the youth web site for more details!



**PARK-IT  
In Pfafftown**  
**5-10 PM**  
**@ Buitendorps**  
**June 14, 28**  
**July 12, 26**  
**August 9, 23**



**Late Night  
@ The Park**  
**9-11 PM**  
**June 19, 26**  
**July 10, 24, 31**



**YOUTH CAMP**  
July 15-19  
Garden City Chapel  
Garden City Beach, SC

Have you heard the news - we are headed to Garden City, SC for this summer's youth camp! We are staying at Garden City Chapel. It is a great place to stay for an entire week at the beach! We will enjoy all of our normal camp stuff - worship, small groups, group recreation, free time at the beach, late night, etc. We will be joining three other churches for one HUGE youth camp.

**Early Sign Up Period**  
Ends June 9  
Cost: \$200 (\$175 another youth from same family)  
Deposit due at sign-up: \$50

**Normal Sign Up Period**  
June 10 - June 23  
Cost: \$250 (\$225 another youth from same family)  
Deposit due at sign-up: \$50

**All balances due July 7!**



**Youth to  
Tube on  
Dan River**  
**9 AM - 5 PM**  
**\$15**

# A NICE STAB AT TALKING ABOUT OURSELVES

## Our summer interns say hello!

### MELISSA KELTNER, YOUTH INTERN email - [youth@collegepark.ws](mailto:youth@collegepark.ws)

Growing up, I swore up and down that I would never be a teacher. Having been the daughter of a Music Minister and the granddaughter of a Pastor, I also knew that there was no way that I would ever want to be in ministry. I saw both of these as being a moral and intellectual babysitter. I didn't want to be responsible for the things that people didn't learn or didn't do. I spent many years looking at teaching and ministry in a very negative light, not putting into perspective all of the good that comes with the bad.

I took an Introduction to Theatre class my very first semester at Appalachian State. This was a class that was usually full of athletes that took the class because it could fill out their General Ed stuff and it was right after morning workouts. Needless to say, I kind of stood out. My professor noticed. Upon telling Dr. Gilbert that I adamantly didn't want to be a teacher, she looked straight into my face (right in front of the class) and told me, "Just remember that God heard you and he's laughing." I chewed on that statement for the rest of semester, all the while Dr. Gilbert showed me that it's not about what a student doesn't care about, it's about you trying to help them gain some sort of interest or appreciation for what you are passionate about. It's stuck with me ever since.

Ministry, I think, is very similar. You don't give up because you feel like someone is hopeless or beyond help, because they're not. God loves every one of his children, no matter what. While I may not ultimately see myself in a ministerial role in a church, I do still feel that everyone can take on a ministerial role wherever they are. God calls us all to minister to those

who need it. There are so many kids in a school setting that do not get love and encouragement anywhere else. The way I see it, I can make a difference in someone's life by telling them that they are capable of doing well and that they are worth it. That is what I see as being my ministry.

With that being said, I am very excited about having the opportunity to be the youth intern again this summer. I learned a lot working with the youth last summer. I was able to create bonds with the kids that I certainly cherish. This is a great group of kids that are going to go on and do great things. I couldn't be more proud of the people that they are growing up to be, even if they have yet to see what they are capable of. I think this summer is going to be fantastic and I can't wait!

### DAVID HODGE, CHILDREN INTERN email - [children@collegepark.ws](mailto:children@collegepark.ws)

Hello, my name is David Hodge and I am the new summer children intern. I am excited about the opportunity to get to know the children of this church. I recently became a member here at College Park Baptist Church along with my two daughters Paisley and Skylar. My wife Grace Hodge is also the Financial Administrator here at the church. I used to be the Wednesday night cook for the church. I graduated from Winston-Salem State University where I majored in Elementary Education and Sociology. I am in the process of getting my masters in Christian education from Gardner-Webb. I love to volunteer my time. Until recently, I have been a volunteer coach at Miller Park



Jeff made us  
take this  
picture!

recreation center. I am the PTA

president at Old Richmond Elementary, and I am also on the swim team board at Grandview pool. As you can see, I enjoy giving my time to the children. I want all children to grow up in a better environment than I did. I grew up not knowing who Jesus was and what great gifts He has given us. I never knew the powerful love that was associated with knowing Christ and accepting Him into our hearts. I moved to North Carolina from Nashville, Tennessee when I met Grace in 2001. It wasn't until I met Grace that I experienced how great Christ is. She showed me the path to Christ and I have been following Him ever since.

This church has shown my family and I much love and respect. I am happy that I can call College Park Baptist Church home and family. Through this internship, I hope I can build more relationships and share my love with others. I feel this internship is the perfect opportunity for me to use what I have learned so far and gain even more knowledge. I want to thank College Park Baptist Church for allowing me to serve in this position and trusting me with the children of the church.

## STAY IN TOUCH WITH US!

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### Twitter

@youthatthepark - Youth account  
@creationkids - Children's account  
@collegeparkws - Church account

### Text Message

For text message updates sent to your mobile phone, send a text message to "40404" and type one of the following

- "Follow @creationkids" or
- "Follow @youthatthepark" or
- "Follow @collegeparkws"

\*Note that no Twitter account is needed