

A Summer I will Never Forget

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This summer was great! Tara Ometz (a new addition to the New Day staff) and I had the opportunity to get out into the community. We knew God wanted New Day out in the community as well as providing programs in our building and that's what we did. As a result, we witnessed many people making personal decisions for Christ, young and old alike.

God gave us the opportunity to minister with hundreds of youth and their leaders who were part of **MOMENTUM**, the Grace Brethren Church Youth Conference. Their goal was to touch the Johnstown community with the power of the love of God. In addition to working with "Momentum," we worked with **Adventures in Missions**, a youth missions camp based in Gainesville, Georgia. We provided fresh-air Bible Clubs in various parks around Johnstown. All this was happening off-site, while on-site many children were participating in New Day's summer activities, developing their God-given talents and interests, all for the glory of God.

It was an amazing summer. One I will never forget. I will never forget the children seated on the ground, gathered around as one of the leaders shared the story of the paper cross or the sight of 100+ teens gathered in the sanctuary of a local church waiting for instructions on how they would minister God's love to Johnstown. I will never forget the sounds of children laughing as these teens and their leaders played with them and the smiles on all the faces young and old, churched and unchurched, as they played and prayed together. I will never forget the feeling of absolute wonder at how amazing our God's love is. This was the summer I will never forget.