



2023 Spring Update

Creating Communities of Grace Everywhere God Leads



Coming Up This Summer

Summer Camps

Theme - Hallowed Be Thy Name: "This, then, is how you should pray: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name..." Matthew 6:9. This summer, we'll explore the names of God (and Jesus) and how who He is, forms who we are. Registration for summer camp sessions is now open online at www.thearkcm.org. Some camps are already full. Please see the attached schedule for more information.

Last Chance Camp Reunion: August 5-6

"Church camp!!! Some of the best weeks of my life! I attended as one of the "first chance campers" and was a "last chance camper" sleeping in the cabins...morning flag raising...getting ready for breakfast...lining up...and singing for our food. Oh, so many wonderful memories!"

"I remember Don and (I think) Larry singing Larry Norman's "Watch What You're Doing" at Last Chance camp. Encore performance this year?"

Last Chance Camp was a high school session that began in the 1960s & ended in 2003. If you were ever a camper, faculty, or both we'd love for you to come to this reunion. For more info and to register visit our website.

75th Birthday Celebration: August 6

You're invited to help us celebrate 75 years of ministry from Pearson's Mill Christian Assembly, Rainbow Christian Camp, & THE ARK. Food, music, activities, and more will be part of honoring what God has done in and through so many lives over these 75 years.

Ladies Retreat: August 25-26

Save the date! Ladies of all ages are invited to the 2023 Ladies Retreat at THE ARK. More info coming soon on the website.

Jill Shaw

We are excited to have Jill as our missionary in residence this summer. She's worked globally for close to 40 years in Zimbabwe & in New Zealand.

Jill lives in Auckland where she volunteers as a chaplain for a public university. She also serves alongside the staff of Shore Community Church. She's deeply invested in her community and partners with an organization called RAS NZ (Refugees as Survivors - New Zealand). There's so much need for the gospel in a very secular NZ, so Jill distributes her energy across 3 main areas: Church, Campus & Community. She'll be sharing daily with campers this summer about her work in NZ.



Jill & Lui





THE ARK SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE⁺ 2023

Online registrations made by April 30 will receive a 2023 ARK t-shirt.***
 Unless otherwise noted as a “day camp,” all sessions are overnight.

www.thearkcm.org ● Registration Opens Feb. 1

| Dates | Camp Session** | Grades* | Dean/Leader(s) | Cost |
|----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--------|
| June 4 - 8 | All Girls Jungle Huts | Grades 4-6 | Desirae Houben | \$295 |
| June 4 - 8 | Family Mission Trip to THE ARK | All Ages | Bruce Cameron | TBA |
| June 4 - 9 | SHIFT | Grades 6-8 | Jonathan Greene | \$415 |
| June 4 - 9 | FULL — Chuckwagon Horse Camp | Grades 7-9 | Gary & Riann Creech | \$460 |
| June 11 - 15 | Extremes | Grades 4-6 | Michael Fuqua & Sherry Moore | \$320 |
| June 11 - 15 | Intro to Wilderness | Grades 5-6 | Ryland Wilson | \$345 |
| June 11 - 15 | Thai Huts | Grades 7-9 | Yessica Sandoval | \$295 |
| June 16 | Quest Day Camp*** | Grades K - 1 & Grandparents | Ashley Otto | \$15 |
| June 18 - 22 | Jungle Huts | Grades 4-6 | Adam Huber | \$295 |
| June 18 - 22 | Thai Huts | Grades 7-9 | Justin & BJ Army | \$295 |
| June 18 - 23 | ENCOUNTER: All-Girls Camp | Grades 6-9 | Shayla Soldan | \$360 |
| June 19 - 23 | Buckaroo Horse Day Camp | Grades 2-3 | Gary & Riann Creech | \$275 |
| June 24 - 26 | Mephibosheth Camp #1**** | TBA | Becky Moore | **** |
| June 24 - 30 | Ziba | Grades 10-13 | Jim Chaplin | \$360 |
| June 25 - 29 | Jungle Huts | Grades 4-6 | Gwen Elliott | \$295 |
| June 28 - 30 | Mephibosheth Camp #2**** | TBA | Becky Moore | **** |
| June 25 - 30 | FULL—Junior High Wilderness Trip | Grades 7-9 | Andy Clark | \$460 |
| July 2 - 6 | Jungle Huts | Grades 4-6 | Noah Welsh | \$295 |
| July 2 - 6 | Thai Huts | Grades 7-9 | Brady Manning | \$295 |
| July 5 - 6 | Quest 1-2 | Grades 1-2 | Ashley Greene | \$90 |
| July 5 - 7 | Quest 2-3 | Grades 2-3 | Ashley Greene | \$175 |
| July 9 - 13 | Jungle Huts | Grades 4-6 | JR Moffatt | \$295 |
| July 9 - 14 | Edge | Grades 7-9 | Cody Hunt & Edge Team | \$415 |
| July 9 - 14 | High School Wilderness Trip | Grades 10-13 | Joe Wisley | \$460 |
| July 10 - 14 | Tenderfoot Horse Day Camp | Grades K-2 | Gary & Riann Creech | \$275 |
| July 16 - 20 | Thai Huts | Grades 7-9 | Joey Schlatter | \$295 |
| July 16 - 21 | Merge | Grades 9-13 | Jeremy Glasford | \$415 |
| July 17 - 21 | Cowpoke Horse Day Camp | Grades 3-5 | Gary & Riann Creech | \$275 |
| July 23 - 26 | Extremes 2.0 | Grades 3-5 | Michael McDonough | \$275 |
| July 23 - 27 | Jungle Huts | Grades 4-6 | Rachel & Mason Hayden | \$295 |
| July 23 - 27 | Thai Huts | Grades 7-9 | Josh Winrotte | \$295 |
| July 23 - 28 | FULL—Wrangler Horse Camp | Grades 4-6 | Gary & Riann Creech | \$460 |
| August 5 - 6 | Last Chance Camp Reunion | Adults | Dave Woods | TBA |
| August 6 | 75th Birthday Celebration | Everyone | Camp Staff | Free++ |
| August 25 - 26 | Ladies Retreat | 18+ | Susan Cheek & Pamie Cameron | TBA |

+ This schedule is subject to change. (6th printing Feb. 20, 2023)

* Register campers based on the grade they'll be in the Fall 2023.

* Check online (www.thearkcm.org) or call THE ARK (765-395-3638) with questions.

** All camps are subject to a nonrefundable deposit.

++ There may be food trucks where payment is needed.

*** Quest Day Camp: Early registration and \$15 fee are REQUIRED for every student and every grandparent by June 10. NO WALK-INS will be ACCEPTED. Students MUST be accompanied by a Grandparent/Grandparent figure. The free t-shirt does not apply to Quest Day Camp.

**** For more info about Mephibosheth Ministries, contact Becky at becky@mm-abilities.org or their website at www.mm-abilities.org.

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2022 Completed Projects

With your help, the following projects were completed last year and will be enjoyed by hundreds of people for years to come:



Double Decker High Ropes Course



Remodel of the Cave Kitchen

Other projects not pictured: Tower Shelter extension, Ice rink (in the bottom right photo), Shower Shelters at the Thai Huts and Jungle Huts, Wetland/shoreline improvement, & Railings at the Jungle Huts.

Current & Upcoming Projects

Thanks to the generous giving of many of you, the pool bathhouse and pool area are being remodeled including the installation of a waterslide gifted from Connect Christian Camp & Retreat Center. Please give, allowing us to reach the \$50,000 more needed, so this project will be fully funded and completed by summer.

Other projects for 2023 include:

- Remodel the Cave bathrooms
- Remodel the Tower Shelter bathrooms
- New roofs for some of the shelters
- Remodel some of the Block Cabins
- New ziplines off the Double Decker
- 18-hole Disc Golf course
- Cave front remodel with deck



Program 365

The board is committed to programming year-round. Here are some programs we've had in the past year and some that will start in 2023:

- Family Climbing Club
- After School Clubs
- School Field Trips

Local school groups and homeschool groups coming for STEM, robotics, and nature exploration classes

Monthly Family Fun Events

Outbound trips to northern Minnesota and Tennessee

Father & Son Programs to empower dads

Angel Tree Camping with Prison Fellowship



2022 Missions Update



Campers & volunteers gave over \$13,000 to help Dot, our 2022 summer missionary, purchase this car that she named Giorgia la Festa. The gift of a vehicle has allowed Dot more flexibility and freedom in her work outside of Rome, Italy. Thank you for giving so generously!

2022 Church Partners

All of the churches who partner with us through praying, sponsoring campers, sending money, giving pantry items, and volunteering are deeply appreciated. Here are the churches that donated \$1,000+ in 2022:

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| Amboy Friends Church | Harvest Community Christian Church |
| Arcadia Christian Church | Hickory Grove Church |
| Bachelor Creek Church of Christ | Jerome Christian Church |
| Center Christian Church | Macy Christian Church |
| Chapel Hill Christian Church | Main Street Christian Church |
| Church of Christ at Treaty | New Paradigm Christian Church |
| Cicero Christian Church | Normanda Christian Church |
| Clarksville Christian Church | Omega Christian Church |
| Converse Church of Christ | Onward Christian Church |
| Cross Lane Community Church | Park Chapel Christian Church |
| Curtisville Christian Church | Refuge Christian Church |
| East Union Christian Church | University Christian Church |
| Faith Church of Christ | Upper Deer Creek Church |
| First Christian Church of Francesville | Vermillion Christian Church |
| Fortville Christian Church | Walton Christian Church |
| Frankton Christian Church | West Point Christian Church |
| Harmony Christian Church | West Walnut Church of Christ |

2022 Memorials

Donations were given in memory of the following loved ones:

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| Ed Ford | Melinda Knebel |
| Rick Helvie | Bobbi Brooks |
| Emmett Fry | David Parker |

Business Donors

We are thankful for all of the businesses and foundations that give. Here are those who gave \$1,000+ between August - December 2022:

- Beck Foundation
- Converse Personal Storage
- Ed Burns & Sons Trucking
- Harvey Construction
- Imajine Unlimited
- JD Levy & Associates
- Krintz Lawn Care, Inc.
- Ladybug Cleaners
- Moe Floors, Inc.
- National Christian Foundation of Indiana
- Prairie View Farms, LLC
- Wimmer Lime Service

Giving to THE ARK

Mail your check to THE ARK in the provided envelope.

Give online at www.thearkcm.org and click on any donate button.

Give by Bill Pay or EFT - contact your bank or our office.



Thanks for giving to grow the Kingdom!