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A monthly newsletter from Reach Ministries Int'l



It's A Great Day For A Workcamp!

Hey Reach,

If you've been to a Reach Workcamp, you'll know that planning and organization are top priorities for us. We have already started both of these at the headquarters as we're gearing up for another great workcamp season. We have expanded to nine Workcamps in 2008 in order to serve more neighbors in need. Speaking of neighbors in need; if given the opportunity, give a Notre Dame Irish Football fan a hug. Sorry, I have digressed. Have a great Fall of ministry and may you serve with the power that mightily works in and through you.

In His Service,
The Reach Workcamp Staff
<http://www.reachwc.org>



Big News...

A familiar face around Reach Workcamps, Paul Richardson has been on staff since 1996. He is so excited to share his engagement to Melissa Beitz with all of you. Paul and Melissa have been friends since they were in college at the University of Illinois, but it wasn't until recently that the Lord made it obvious that they were meant for each other. They've set a date in September 2008 for the wedding. Paul is so thankful for this special gift and thanks many of you for keeping him in your prayers.

[Send Melissa and Paul an email](#)

Reach Devotional...

Have you ever been faced with a fork in the road knowing that once a decision is made, there is no turning back? Or maybe you've been faced with a crisis of belief and making a choice would determine how you'd live? We've all been there. I am reminded of a quote from Yogi Berra, "If you come to a fork in the road, take it." If I could just apply that philosophy to my Christian walk.

Many times I come to a fork in the road and come up with the following:

"Let me pray about it." often becomes... "I will think about it till I forget about it."

"That sounds great." **and the rest of the sentence...** "for someone else, but not for me."

How many blessings or provisions of the Lord have I personally missed because of my inability to pick up the fork and simply ask, "What's next, Father?"

Recently, our family has been placed on a road with a fork in it. This time we have prayed, shared with other believer's, and picked up the fork and are currently asking, "What's next, Father?" As soon as that fork was picked up, I was reminded of our Father's loving guidance. How He wants us to walk in dependence upon Him. The lyrics of "Find Me In The River" brought this message home to me.

Find me in the river
Find me on my knees
I've walked against the water
Now I'm waiting if you please

We've longed to see the roses
But never felt the thorns
And bought our pretty crowns
But never paid the price

Find me in the river
Find me there
Find me on my knees with my soul laid bare
Even though you're gone and I'm cracked and dry
Find me in the river, I'm waiting here

Find me in the river
Find me on my knees
I've walked against the water
Now I'm waiting if you please

We didn't count on suffering
We didn't count on pain
But if the blessing's in the valley
Then in the river I will wait

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Wherever we may be, our Father in Heaven will be with us in the river guiding us to the next fork in the road. May we all have His spiritual wisdom and understanding.

Amen,
Craig A. Burden

[Email Craig](#)



Reach Trivia...

total of 11, 568
September's Trivia
Pennsylvania, got
brand new Reach Workcamps T-Shirt! Keep up the good service in the Kingdom,
Brandon.

These big, yellow Penske trucks traveled a
miles last summer, thus answering
Question. Brandon Wagner of Elizabeth,
the closest guess! He's now wearing a

So since the calendar officially reads October 1st, we need another trivia question:

How many pounds of these 1 1/2 inch roofing nails were used during the 2007
Reach Workcamp season?

Email us at workcamps@reachwc.org with your answers. We will take answers
until October 20th, but only the first correct answer wins a Reach T-Sweatshirt.
That's right...due to the cold weather coming in, you'll get a sweatshirt and not a
T-shirt this month.

[Submit Your Answer](#)

2008 Workcamp Schedule...

2008 Workcamps

June 15 - 21
Greenup, KY
Mississippi Gulf Coast*

June 22 - 28
Mississippi Gulf Coast

June 29 - July 5
Lockport, NY*

July 6 - 12
Cuyahoga Falls, OH*

July 13 - 19
Oceana, WV

July 20 - 26
Oceana, WV*
Monroe, NC

July 27 - August 2
Monroe, NC*

** Combination Jr. and St. High*

- June 15 - June 21 [Greenup, Kentucky](#) (93 registered)
- June 15 - June 21 [Mississippi Gulf Coast*](#) (20 registered)
- June 22 - June 28 [Mississippi Gulf Coast](#) (75 registered)
- June 29 - July 5 [Lockport, New York*](#) (15 registered)
- July 6 - July 12 [Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio*](#) (497 registered)
- July 13 - July 19 [Oceana, West Virginia](#) (168 registered)
- July 20 - July 26 [Oceana, West Virginia*](#) (65 registered)
- July 20 - July 26 [Monroe, North Carolina](#) (122 registered)

July 27 - August 2 [Monroe, North Carolina*](#) (40 registered)

*Indicates combination Jr. & Sr. High workcamps



Behind The Scenes Footage...

Have you ever wondered what it looks like at the Reach Workcamps headquarters in the lovely Galeton, Colorado? Well, next month we'll have a behind the scenes video that will answer your questions. You may even get to see a sneak peak of what the 2008 Program Set is starting to look like.

20% Discount...

Simply for reading this email newsletter, you are entitled to 20% off ALL Reach Workcamps merchandise. Go to <http://www.reachwc.org/pages/productmain.asp> and enter "newsletter" where it says, "Enter Discount Code." That means T-shirts are under \$10. This sale is only valid until October 25th, so get moving!!!

Hey College Students...

We have begun the application process for the 2008 Reach Workcamps Summer Staff! We are looking for anyone who has a commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord of their life, a servant's heart, is a team player, and is at least one year out of high school. We hold them to a high standard of service and integrity. Check out <http://www.reachwc.org/pages/summerstaff.shtml> for more information. What a great way to spend a summer serving God!

[Email for More Information](#)

Humor Corner...

A new youth pastor was visiting the homes of his students.

At one house it seemed obvious that someone was at home, but no answer came to his repeated knocks at the door. So he took out a card and wrote "Revelation 3:20" on the back of it and stuck it in the door.

When the offering was processed the following Sunday, he found that his card had been returned. Added to it was this message, "Genesis 3:10."

Reaching for his Bible to check out the citation, he broke up in gales of laughter.

Revelation 3:20 begins "Behold, I stand at the door and knock." Genesis 3:10 reads, "I heard your voice in the garden and I was afraid, for I was naked."

This joke was found at: <http://www.cleanjoke.com/humor/Knock-at-the-Door.html>

Reach News...

- **2008 CAMP LOCATIONS** - Find out more information about each of the [2008 Locations](#) such as things to do in each area and local restaurants.
- **ON-LINE GROUP INFORMATION** - Once you register for camp, view your group's current registered campers, and print forms On-Line with our web features that aren't available anywhere else in the industry. [LOGIN NOW](#).
- **ON-LINE HANDOUTS & FORMS** - We've recently added more of our handouts, forms, and information to the website for you to print out for parents, pastors, meetings, etc. [Check 'em out!](#)
- **FACEBOOK** - As you decide which camp you're attending, join the Facebook group and see who else is going. There are also some general Reach Workcamps groups that have been started for you to say hello to previous workcampers. Visit www.facebook.com to get started.
- **REACH WEAR** - Forget to buy cool Reach Merchandise at camp or maybe they didn't have your size? [Check out the full supply of Reach Wear](#).
- **20,000+ PICTURES** - Check out our website for [all pictures](#) that were taken during the 2007 Workcamp Season.
- **DONATE TO REACH** - Making any on-line purchases soon? Be sure to join [iGive](#) to raise money for Reach Workcamps with every purchase. It costs nothing to join and works behind-the-scenes while you shop.

Thanks for a great 2007 Summer! We look forward to serving with all of you in 2008!

Please call us at 1-888-REACH-WC (1-888-732-2492) for more information about Reach Workcamps or check us out on the web at <http://www.reachwc.org>.

Blessings,

The Reach Staff

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