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A monthly newsletter from Reach Ministries Int'l



It's A Great Day For A Workcamp!

Hello Reach,

The workcamp season is quickly approaching as it is less than 100 days until the first 2010 Reach Workcamp in Greeley, CO! Camp t-shirts are already being printed, the Summer Staff have all been hired, slideshows are being compiled, and worksite requests are filing in. We're sure it is a busy time for you and your youth group, as well. We pray that the month of March puts a new spring into your step as you begin to transition to another season of youth ministry.

If you're still looking for a summer mission trip, check out our schedule below as we're still accepting new registrations. We'd love to serve with you this summer!

Happy March,
The Reach Workcamps Staff
(Mike, Paul, Heather, Annie, Neil, and Joel)

Attention all Youth Leaders...

Just a friendly reminder that on **April 1st**, only one month from today, all forms are due to the Reach Office along with your first payment. The forms that are due include:

- Workcamper information forms
- Workcamper release forms
- Vehicle form
- Adult background check form

All of these forms are found in the notebook you received when you registered for camp. They can also be

Edit Your Group Information On-line...

Did you know that you can add, delete, and change information for your registered group on-line 24 hours a day? Use the login information that was provided for you in the notebook you received when you registered.

You can even print forms with your camper's information on it so all they need to do is sign their name!

found [on-line](#) if you need more.

Your first payment should be half of your remaining balance due. Please call the Reach Office at (888) 732-2492 if you have any questions.

All forms and payments should be mailed to:

**Reach Workcamps
PO Box 789
Galeton, CO 80622**

Important Dates To Remember:

April 1st - Forms & 1st Payment Due

May 1st - Last Day To Drop Campers

June 1st - Final Payment Due

You can always register or add campers after any of these dates as long as there is still room at that particular camp.

2010 Schedule...

JUNE 6 - 12 GREELEY, CO*
JUNE 13 - 19 SOUTH WEBSTER, OH
JUNE 20 - 26 GALVESTON, TX*
JUNE 27 - JULY 3 LOCKPORT, NY
JULY 4 - 10 WARRENTON, VA*
JULY 11 - 17 WINDSOR, ME
JULY 18 - 24 HURRICANE, WV*
JULY 25 - 31 HURRICANE, WV MICHIGAN CITY, IN*

** Combination Jr. and St. High Camp is FULL*

- June 6-12 [Greeley, CO*](#) (61)
- June 13-19 [South Webster, OH \(FULL\)](#)
- June 20-26 [Galveston, TX*](#) (120)
- June 27-July 3 [Lockport, NY](#) (438)
- July 4-10 [Warrenton, VA*](#) (FULL)
- July 11-17 [Windsor, ME \(FULL\)](#)
- July 18-24 [Hurricane, WV*](#) (FULL)

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Click here to read [INSTRUCTIONS](#) for these pages:

2010 REGISTERED WORKCAMPERS...

Select	Name	Post Form?	Age	Sex	Year	T-Shirt Size	Camper Form?
<input type="checkbox"/>	Faloon, Bill	Post Form?	30	M	A	S	False
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jones, Mike	Post Form?	54	M	B	M	False
<input type="checkbox"/>	Little, Laurie	Post Form?	41	F	A	S	False
<input type="checkbox"/>	Minter, Joel	Post Form?	23	M	A	M	False
<input type="checkbox"/>	Richardson, Paul	Post Form?	33	M	A	L	False
<input type="checkbox"/>	Windsor, Jerry	Post Form?	17	M	A	L	False

Choose An Action ▾
Apply Action

Number of Names Entered: 8
Number of Workcamper Spots Reserved: 18
Number of Volunteer Spots Reserved: 1

**Youth Leader Spotlight...
with Paul Woodruff**

RW: How many Reach Workcamps have you attended?

PW: This year will be my second year with Reach Workcamps. We first experienced Reach when our youth traveled to Mississippi to help hurricane Katrina victims. We loved the mission and the new friends we met from all over the country.



RW: How does Reach both challenge and encourage your youth?

PW: Reach is committed to keeping Jesus as the main focus throughout the week. This is seen by morning, lunchtime, and evening devotions. We are challenged as individuals and churches to pray for each other and our neighbors. This keeps Jesus in our hearts and minds all the time. By the 2nd day of camp you can see the youth drop their guard and start having strong spiritual conversations with their new friends.

July 25-31 [Hurricane, WV](#) (307)

July 25-31 [Michigan City, IN*](#) (138)

*Indicates combination Jr. & Sr. High Workcamps (the # in parenthesis is how many are currently registered)

February's Trivia Answer...

The February trivia question was...

How many volunteers came to Reach's first Disney Volunteer Day?

The correct answer was 13 volunteers. Donna Becker of Pequea, PA, guessed 15 volunteers and will receive a free Reach T-shirt for her guess.

March's Trivia Question...

One of Reach's trademarks is that our programming during camp is much more than a public speaker or a video on a screen. We perform live dramas each evening program on a big stage that we transport to every workcamp location. The 2010 set is starting to take shape, so the March trivia question is:

How many pieces of scaffolding and staging are being used in each set for the 2010 summer?

Whoever e-mails us first at workcamps@reachwc.org with the closest answer will win a free Reach T-shirt. We will take answers until March 20th. Good luck!

Hint: Here is a picture of half of last year's set to give you an idea...

RW: What is your favorite part of Reach?

PW: I love Reach Workcamps from the minute you pull in until the moment you pull out; you can feel God's love surrounding you. The Reach Staff are phenomenal and hard working. The camp is so organized, which for Youth Pastors relieves a lot of stress. Youth Pastors know the stress of trying to keep everything together. Sometimes it feels like you spend more time worrying and less time worshipping. This stress element has been removed for you this week by Reach. Reach supports you in every aspect of your mission trip. The social life at Reach and making new friendships is a key element in our Christian faith. My youth group is still in contact with youth they met while at Reach in 2008.

RW: How is Reach unique from other organizations?

PW: I have been on 14 work missions and I have to say that Reach is by far the most organized, fun and spiritual camp of any I have attended. Reach has planned out the activities and schedules for your youth group, but has also planned time for you to spend just with your youth. This is the best of both worlds. The youth are able to connect as a social group with new friends, while deepening relationships with their own church.

RW: What changes have you seen in your youth group after attending camp?

PW: Before I came to this church, my youth group went to the same place every year. They worked and worshipped just between our own youth. This was what they were used to and were a little hesitant to change to a larger camp. Since Reach, our youth have really



changed their minds about larger groups. The change I noticed in my group the most is their willingness to work with other youth and adults from all over the country. This has also given them confidence to share their faith back at home with friends about Jesus Christ.

[Click here](#) to read Paul's entire interview.

Reach Devotion...

If you spend enough time around your parents and grandparents, chances are pretty good you've heard a lot of stories more than once. I've heard about my grandparents' meeting and falling in love so many times that I feel like I was there. I appreciate hearing their stories though, and I know that I will (if I don't already) begin telling the same stories to people in my life.

Some events in a person's life are just too good to be silent about. It really doesn't matter I've already heard the story multiple times. The chance that someone in the room, or even that I just forgot, is enough to tell the story again. It's better that I hear the story five times than for one person to be denied a telling. Do you have any stories that you just love to tell?

"Then [the rulers, elders and teachers of the law] called [Peter and John] in again and commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John replied, 'Judge for yourselves whether it is right in God's sight to obey you rather than God. For we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard.'" - Acts 4:18-20

Paul and John's words are so powerful it's hard to wrap my head around them. When told to stop preaching the name of Jesus, they don't say that they will not; they say that they CAN not! What they've seen and experienced is too great to keep to themselves. Can you relate? As Christians, Christ has made an incredible impact on our lives. Is it incredible enough that you can't be silent about it?

In Him,
Joel Minter



[Email Joel](#) with thoughts of this devotion.

Fundraiser of the Month...

Work Auction

If you convinced a bunch of high schoolers to spend a week of their summer working hard, why not convince them to donate a Saturday to earn some money for the trip? Organize an auction where members of the church can bid on individuals, pairs, or small groups for different manual labor tasks. The tasks can be anything from raking to mowing to painting! If it's around a holiday, the students can even help put up or take down decorations. This is a good way to get the church involved and raise some money with very minimal cost to your youth group! Church members are able to donate to the trip while getting some labor for much less than they'd pay a professional. Consider offering specific services, such as yard work, cleaning, babysitting, tutoring, artwork... there's no limit!

This type of fundraiser usually seems to work best at smaller churches, where the church body is familiar. For safety at larger churches, you may want to create small groups to auction off and send an adult with them to do the work. To make this event successful, you need to have a good number of people ready to bid on workers. Try making this a combo event by serving a spaghetti dinner to draw people in!

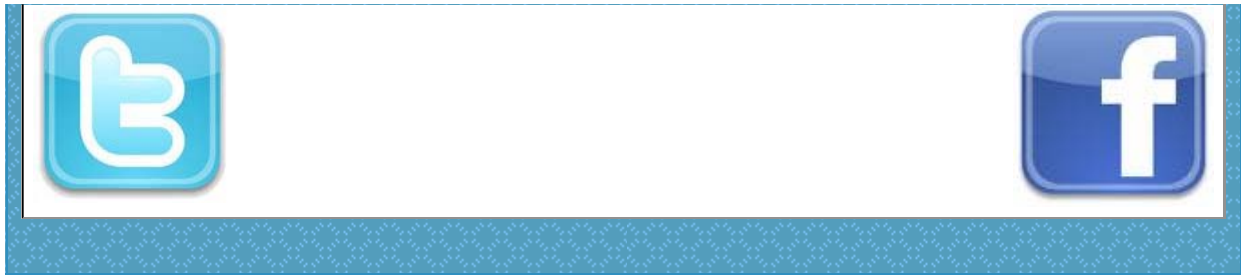
Do you have an idea for us to share with your fellow readers? Email Joel (jminter@reachwc.org) and you might be featured in a future newsletter.

We look forward to serving with all of you this summer at a Reach Workcamp! 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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