Camp Out: Get S’more of Jesus

The Salvation Army of Wake County Summer Camp’s theme for this year is Get S’more of Jesus. The word s’more in the theme makes reference to the fire-roasted marshmallow and layer of chocolate sandwiched between two pieces of graham crackers, which children – and people of all ages for that matter – love to eat.

The camp is still accepting registrants and provides youth ages 5-14 with a safe, structured and enjoyable environment to go during the summer. While running, jumping and playing, children will meet new friends, have fun and learn about God through Bible studies and Vacation Bible School programs. The camp also teaches children social skills and the children go on field trips to museums and places throughout downtown Raleigh, in addition to going to the pool and movies.

2017 Summer Day Camp
June 20–August 18
7:30 AM–6:00 PM, Monday–Friday
Fees: $90 per week- Includes all Field Trip Activities

Some components of the Summer Day Camp Program include:
- Bible study
- Educational and recreational field trips, including museums, swimming, skating, gymnastics, movies and more
- Recreational games and activities at the Community Center
- Arts and crafts
- Vacation Bible School and other fun activities led by various church groups. VBS is held nightly from 6-8 and runs from July 10-14

For more information about Summer Day Camp, please contact us by phone at 919.832.6918 or email sarah.ruiz@salvationarmy.org
**A LETTER FROM THE MAJORS: S'MORE OF JESUS**

When I heard about this camping theme for our summer day camp, I reflected back to family campfire days with our children; browning marshmallows over the fire and sandwiching them between graham crackers and Hershey chocolate, how sweet it is!

So, during these summer months, we are in the camping mode. Currently we have 115 children in our Summer Day Camp getting “S’more of Jesus”. Children from our Judy D. Zelnak Center of Hope Shelter are a part of this fun. We just finished another successful season of tee ball with 130 children; summer basketball is kicking into high gear with an additional 120 ballers.

**Your support makes this happen.**

Our Corps Community Center Advisory Council is once again organizing our annual fundraiser “The MOST Amazing Race” (go to www.mostamazingraceraleigh.com for more information) to help support these programs. We would like to thank Wells Fargo Bank for being our Lead Sponsor this year and Duke Energy as our Co-Lead Sponsor.

Speaking of races, the Apostle Paul likened our mission as a “Race”; the MOST Amazing Grace Race. In Hebrews 12: 1-2 he writes, “Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, 2 looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith.”

As we fix our eyes on Jesus we will finish the race as winners. He is growing us and maturing us on this racecourse to be “s’more” like Him. And of course, we hope to have a great crowd with us as we cross the finish line. Our hopes are that your summer will be filled with family, fun, fellowship and of course faith, getting s’more of Jesus every day.

God bless your family!

**Majors Stephen & Connie Long**  
*Wake & Lee County Area Commanders*

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**FAMILY STORE**

Now with two locations, including our newest location on Wake Forest Road in Raleigh which opened March 17, The Salvation Army’s Family Stores have lots of good deals for you and your family! New and gently used furniture, housewares, clothing, books, jewelry and more are available at a fraction of retail costs. You'll not only be getting a good deal – you’ll be doing a good deed! Proceeds generated by Family Store sales are used to give tangible assistance and offer hope to Wake County residents.

The Salvation Army Family Store supports our many outreach programs by turning usable goods into much needed funding. Proceeds generated by our Family Stores sales are used to give tangible assistance and offer hope to Wake County residents.

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6TH ANNUAL #MOSTAMAZINGRACERALEIGH SET FOR AUGUST 26

One of The Salvation Army of Wake County signature events is the MOST Amazing. The 6th annual MOST Amazing Race Raleigh will take place Saturday, August 26 at popular locations throughout downtown Raleigh. The scavenger-hunt-like race is patterned after the TV show “The Amazing Race”, and features teams of two, completing mental and physical challenges at locations throughout downtown Raleigh.

The MOST Amazing Race is a fundraising event benefiting The Salvation Army of Wake County’s Community Center, which provides after-school care, athletic programs, and summer camps for at-risk children. Last year’s event raised in excess of $30,000.00.

Teams must raise $300 to participate and are competing for a grand prize of $2,500. The Second Place team will receive a $1,000 prize, and Third Place will receive a $500 prize. There are also plenty of opportunities to win other prizes throughout the race as well.

From the starting line, teams are given a clue leading them to another checkpoint and they must successfully complete challenges—following clues—until they reach the end of the race.

Keep up with the latest details on our Twitter, Facebook and Instagram pages and use the hashtags #MostAmazingRaceRaleigh and #MARR when using Social Media. We need your participation. Signup now at www.mostamazingraceraleigh.com

Entry Criteria and More Details:

- Teams must raise at least $300 by Tuesday, August 22 at 5pm to participate in the race. The top 3 fundraising teams will earn an extra bonus for the race, including a head start, “skip card”, and more. The more you fundraise for The Salvation Army, the better!
- Only teams of two (2) can participate in the race.
- Register on our Website at www.mostamazingraceraleigh.com and commit the funds by the deadline. Funds can be contributed online, by check or as cash.
- If more than 30 teams register and raise the minimum funds, only the top 30 fundraising teams will be able to participate.
- Teams must pay a registration fee of $30 per person at the time of registering online. Each teammate must register individually.
- Team members must be 18 years of age or older to participate in the race.
- Your team must be in good physical health to participate in the race.
STAFF ADDITIONS

Tara Shepherd-Bowdel
Tara is the Director of Development. Tara comes to us from Bethany Theological Seminary where she was the Eastern U.S. Director of Development. She received her bachelors’ degree from Roanoke College and her Master of Divinity from Bethany Seminary. Tara is also an ordained minister in the Church of the Brethren.

Jami Britt Noble
Jami is the new Volunteer and Resource Coordinator. Jamie comes to us from Wake Med Health and Hospitals where she was a chaplain resident. She is a 2011 graduate of Appalachian State and received her Masters in 2015 from Duke Divinity School. She is also pursuing Ordination in the United Methodist Church.

Donal Ware
Donal is the new Public Relations Director. Donal has a myriad of experiences in public relations and for the last 12 years has hosted a weekly national (sports) talk show. He is a graduate of Morgan State University in Baltimore, Md.

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Address: __________________________________________

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$20 $35 $100 $ __________________________

To make a gift by credit card, please call toll free 1-800-SAL-ARMY or visit www.shieldsustainer.org.

We do not rent, sell, or exchange mailing or email lists.
For Project CATCH, Empty Shelves are not an option

Donating to The Salvation Army of Wake County should not just be limited to Christmastime. We are in need of your donations year round, more specifically in the summertime, when children are out of school.

More immediately, we are in need of canned foods to restock our shelves so that we may assist those in need.

Our Food Pantry, which is located at The Salvation Army Center of Hope, distributes groceries to 50 families every week. Summer is the most difficult time of the year to keep our pantry stocked and ready to provide to our neighbors in need.

Project CATCH is a collaborative case management model that is completely unique to TSA Wake County. Project CATCH provides services and advocates for children experiencing homelessness and works with 11 area homeless shelters and programs to ensure that they are able to correctly identify and address the specific needs of the children in their care. By working closely with partner agencies, Project CATCH meets the needs of over 300 homeless children ages 0-18 years old in Wake County per year. In addition to providing services and case management to children, Project CATCH also provides monthly community engagement meetings and trauma trainings to inform parents about various resources and opportunities to benefit their children. Project CATCH has another component: Circle of Parents, a child abuse prevention program that addresses the stresses faced by parents experiencing homelessness.

There are approximately 5,000 homeless children in Wake County alone. You see them in your child’s classroom, at your church; you pass them by on the street. We cannot assume we know their story or what they experience day to day. It is often a story of significant loss and hardship, but there is a way to change their story.
DATES TO REMEMBER

June 12–August 5: Summer Basketball

July 7: Soccer Registration

August 9: The MOST Amazing Race Dry Run

August 22: The MOST Amazing Race Registration Deadline

August 26: The MOST Amazing Race

Serving all of Wake County Since 1887

More information can be found online at www.wakearmy.org.