

Youth Mission Trip 2018

Last week, I had the privilege of accompanying some of our high schoolers on our youth mission trip to Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. We participated at 3 separate sites over the 4 days.

Day one was spent at Seagull Services, a center for physically and mentally disabled adults. Our time was spent making crafts, doing puzzles, playing games and just hanging out. The highlight for everyone was when our guys pulled out their guitars and played while we all sang. Day 2 was spent at Belle Glade, a terribly impoverished community. We spent the day hanging out with kids participating in the Belle Glade Life Center summer program, playing games, walking around the neighborhood passing out granola bars to residents, and playing a pick-up game of touch football at the park. Days 3 & 4 were spent prepping and painting the exterior of a sweet, elderly lady's home that had been issued a code violation. The work was intense, but so rewarding!

In addition to the hard work, we managed to squeeze in some time for fun. A movie, a couple trips to the beach and an evening of bowling were enjoyed by all of us. On our last night there, hosts Jim and Karen Cook took us out to a Mexican restaurant for dinner.

Participants were: Jordan Brown, Hayden Coggins, Christal Dudley, JD Greneker and adult chaperone, Andrew Greneker. I am so blessed to have spent the week with these incredible, hardworking, God-loving people!

Molly Stevenson

Here are some quotes from the Youth Mission Team:

“Beyond Fulfilling”

“Being greeted with multiple opportunities to positively impact peoples’ lives who are astronomically less fortunate than I am genuinely changed something within me....I would trade a week of work and vacation time any week of the year to gain the incredible experiences I had this past week.”

“The whole week was life changing and was one of the best trips I’ve ever been on in my life.”

“This week was eye opening. Each day was filled with different people, and different ways to help.... I’m so thankful for all that I was able to experience this past week.”

“This week was radical.”

“This trip was definitely one for the books.”

Team with Youth from Belle Glade Life Center



Team with adults from Seagull Services



Youth Mission Team Pressure Washed and cleaned this House before painting. Here is before and after pictures.



What is a Youth Mission Trip without a bit of fun in the sun? Here is the team at the beach.



A wonderful time was had by all. Thank you to Christ Church for your support and for giving us this wonderful opportunity to spend a week doing mission work.