

Past Trips

Civil Rights Museum—Memphis, TN
 Journey through the South
 (Wilson, NC, Charleston, SC and Savannah, GA)
 Niagara Falls, Canada
 Ground Zero, New York City
 Kittery, Maine
 World Trade Center, NYC
 Boston Tea Party, Boston, MA
 Liberty Bell, Philadelphia, PA
 Williamsburg, Virginia
 Ocean City, Maryland
 Harrisburg, PA



Thank you for being a sponsor and helping to take a child off the street this summer and place them in a safe and structure program that will help shape and build character, teach moral standards, strengthen academic skills and offer opportunities and hope.



Camp hours:

Monday—Thursday

8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Fridays 8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Breakfast, lunch and snacks are provided

T-shirt, Camp Excursion Trip Video,

PowerPoint Presentation of Camp Activities

and

Camp Activity Book

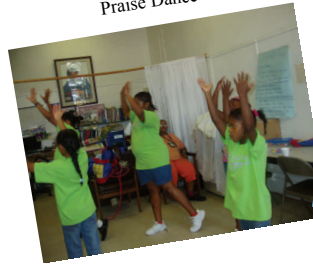
Lucky Strike Bowling



Patriot Points Naval Maritime Museum
 Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina



Praise Dance



Savannah, Georgia



George Washington Mount Vernon

Waiting for Metro rail to ride back to Mother Dear's



A light of hope burning for 60 years 1967

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Gospel Summer Camp

Where Learning and Fun Begins



Field Trip
 Naval Memorial Museum



Sewing



Arts & Crafts

“Destiny makes us brothers. If you lift somebody up as you go up, we’ll all rise together”

Mother Dear's Community Center Gospel Summer Camp

Background

Mother Dear's Community Center, (MDCC) was founded in 1957 by the late Reverend Annie M. Woodridge, (Mother Dear), as an outgrowth of her many years of dedicated community service work. MDCC started as a Grass Root organization and became a 501(c) 3 nonprofit corporation in 1977. For over 50 years, MDCC has stood firm in its commitment to meeting pressing needs of the community, filling in gaps in services to all people no matter what their age, race, creed or religious preference. We serve over 15,000 individuals and families annually through our referral assistance program, hot lunches, food bags and holiday food bags and meals, clothing and furniture distribution, after school, summer camp, rental, mortgage and utility assistance and other social services.

Mission is to provide services that will enhance the quality of life for the local community by not only meeting physical needs, but also helping to promote restoration and dignity to homeless individuals, home bound seniors, low-income families and at-risk youth.

Having 11 biological children and 3 adopted children, Mother Dear's love for children prompted her to start summer outings and events for at-risk and low income children in her neighborhood in the early 1960's. Trips were taken to Hershey Park, Ocean City, New York and other places. Children were taken to Holiday parties and special events. Fifty-one years later, Mother Dear's Community Center still provides a viable camp program to low income and at-risk youth living in rural areas of Washington metropolitan area.

We offer campers a balanced program with fun activities and an academic curriculum that builds reading, mathematics and writing skills. Other subjects include creative and essay writing, public speaking, music, dance, drama, sewing, arts and crafts, mentoring and leadership skills.

Mission for Summer Camp's is one in the same as First Lady, Laura Bush, seeing that "No Child Is Left Behind" and Mother Dear's motto: "Destiny makes us brothers. If you lift somebody up as you go up, we'll all rise together."

Gospel Summer Camp

Train Your Children

Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it.

Proverbs 22:6

At Mother Dear's Community Center Gospel Summer Camp, we begin by creating a safe and well-supervised environment with volunteer staff that brings their own expertise, passion, enthusiasm and energy to help stimulate and encourage the campers. We know the uniqueness of each camper and their individual ability to advance academically at a pace that matches their own capability.

Our camp ratio of staff to campers is 1:3. Campers are exposed to a diversity of people and cultures during our inner-city and out of town travels. Our camp program make children aware of better choices and opportunities in life that are available to them rather than the ones they are faced with every day in their home and community that leads to violence, brokenness and no hope.

Gospel Summer Camp at Mother Dear's is a unique experience, in which new and former campers remember their summer with us as one of the best times in their lives.

Camp Objectives

Accountability

Character Builder

Leadership

Responsibility

Provide a safe environment

Encourage self-reliance and self-confidence

Develop methods for anger management and conflict resolution skills

Academic Enrichment and Activities

Math

Reading

Writing

Grammar

Arts & Crafts

Sewing

Praise Music

Praise Dance

Mentoring

Field Trips

(New for 2008) Ballet, Tap Dance and Piano

Sponsorship Application

Name: _____

Title: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Mother Dear's Community Center is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization and your donation is 100% tax deductible.

I would like to sponsor:

_____ One child \$600.00

_____ Two children

_____ Other \$ _____

My donation of \$ _____ is enclosed to sponsor a child in Mother Dear's Community Center's Gospel Summer Camp Program.

Make check payable to MDCC and memo Summer Camp 2008. Mail to 467 Florida Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001

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