



Your life is full of mission opportunities

Watching sunrise at the south rim of the Grand Canyon was an experience Sarah and I will never forget. Shortly after 7:00 a.m., the sun crested over the eastern horizon and a small group of early risers were amazed at the brilliance which occurs every day, audience or not.

Getting to see the Canyon with Sarah was great and we won't easily forget the faces of those who came and gazed at the greatness of God. You realize, don't you, that you don't have to go on adventures 8,000 feet above sea level to see God's amazing work? God has places planned for your life closer than you think. You can be a whole world away within a very few miles from your own home. And God wants you to experience the adventure of missions with the people He has placed around you.

Step off your front porch. Pick up a couple of friends and give a day impacting someone's life by sharing God's love. You could help a family by delivering a food basket. Drive over to Salt & Light to sort clothing. You could lend an ear to hear the story of an abused woman who desperately needs to know that someone is listening. It might be a hospital visit or a "cookie call" to a first time guest. It might be a trip to the Ukraine or the Dominican. Or it might be tutoring with some children at Restoration Urban Ministries. More so, it might be helping with Real Life Teen Parent Outreach (Laura Olthoff; 898-5685) It might be buying a grocery store gift certificate and anonymously giving it to someone you know could use the extra helping. Here's an idea: why not host a dinner or desert with an international student or family from Parkland or the U of I? Did you know that 70% of all international students have never set foot in an American home because they were never invited? From where do we want them to get their picture of Christianity? From us—or mainstream media?

Here's the deal—serving others and your memory of it will be more vibrant if you do it with others. This week, and in the weeks to come, there are many needs nearby where you can wake up in your own bed, serve a few hours that day and be back in your own bed that night. Be faithful in these small areas and you'll get bigger opportunities. You don't get to appreciate the Grand Canyon until you learn to admire Fox Ridge!

Brother Andrew in *The Calling* wrote, "It's not about sitting around until you are absolutely certain God is calling you to a particular task, direction, country, or ministry. Nor is it waiting for the doors to open so you can go there easily. Planning is an act of faith. Jesus never told his disciples to wait for an invitation. He told them to go."

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Student Life

Summer is always an exciting time in Student Life. This year we have some great big events as well as several excellent smaller events. Here is the summer at a glance. Check out the Student Life calendar for more info.

Promotion Week Luau's!

- 6/4 – 8th graders into 242 (all high schoolers welcome)
- 6/5 – 4th graders into Route 56 (all incoming 5th-6th graders welcome)
- 6/6 – 6th graders into middle school (all incoming 7th-8th graders welcome)
- 6/8 – Time to move up & attend the new service you're a part of (Route 56 or Collision)

Check out the Student Life calendars for locations and times

Crave

7th-8th graders, bring your lunch & come to the church on Wednesday's from 11am-1pm for fun games & a great Bible study. What are you craving?

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High Schoolers, head on over to the Wetherholt's on Wednesday nights from 6:30-8:30pm for pizza, games, & a Bible study. Experience community like the early church in Acts 2:42.

Gladiators @ Little Galilee – July 6-11

A great week of middle school camp featuring relevant classes, fun activities, exciting sessions, & even...late night games based on the show "American Gladiators." Cost is \$132.

CIY Move – July 21-26

A life-changing high school conference featuring amazing sessions, great group time, & a day at Six Flags, St. Louis. Cost is \$310

Adult Ministries

Gap - 20's & 30's

Traveling the gap between college and adulthood is a difficult one to pass and it's certainly one meant for us to undertake together. The Gap ministry engages young adults to take this journey in Christ through a community of transformation and faith. Our passion is to give young adults opportunities to seek deeper meanings in our faith and to impact the lives of those around us with the story and power of Christ in our lives. In this journey, we encourage deep connections with others on the same path so that we might attain to the fullness of Christ as a community of faith builds itself up in love. Anyone in their 20's or 30's is welcome, single or married. We host a Worship Night on the 2nd Friday of every month at 7pm, where we worship, discuss and learn about a young adult's part in our community, church and God's kingdom. The last Friday of every month at 7pm we host a Game Night with free childcare. It's a great time to get to know the people on our paths and to foster connections. This summer we're also starting a series of mixer dinners. Our Summer Kickoff will be Sunday, June 1st, after church in room 110! You can find more info, get involved and communicate with us by going to <http://christianmin.meetup.com/111>.

New Small Group Leaders Needed!!

You can give others the opportunity to be in a small group! If you are interested in finding out about leading a group this fall, contact Brian Rummery or Elizabeth Giger at the church.

Women's Summer Bible Studies

- **Seeking Him**
Spiritual dryness exists, even among mature Christians. Each of us experiences times when we need to drink deeply from God's Word. That's why we are offering the Seeking Him study. Seeking Him is a 12-week interactive Bible study beginning Wednesdays, June 4th, 9:15 to 11 am. Limited childcare available.
- **Beth Moore's Spiritual Mapping**
Many times as believers we find ourselves wandering in a personal wilderness, but it is God's desire that we dwell securely in our Promised Land! In this 6-week, no homework study, we will evaluate where we stand spiritually. Are we still in our house of bondage-our Egypt's- or are we wandering in a wilderness? Sundays, beginning June 22, 9am, room 400.

WRCC Father / Son Fishing Derby

It's that time again to dig out your fishing poles, dust off the tackle boxes, & get ready for the Second Annual WRCC Father/Son Fishing Derby! This year's Derby will be Saturday morning, June 7th at Lake of the Woods in Mahomet. It is open to all boys 3 years old through 8th grade. There is no cost for this event but we ask that all participants sign up in advance. Sign up in the foyer. June 7th is "Free Fishing Day" in Illinois, so fishing licenses are NOT required! If you have any questions, please see any Men's Ministry team member.

Children's Ministries

Curious about what your child is learning during Road Rally on Sunday mornings? Here's the shortened down version of what we want your kids to know in their early years:

Pre-School

1. God made me.
2. God loves me.
3. Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

Elementary:

1. I can trust God no matter what.
2. I need to make the wise choice.
3. I should treat others the way I want to be treated.

Every phrase, every story, every song your kids hear during 252 & Road Rally somehow highlights one of these 3 truths. We don't have time to teach everything & we know we shouldn't teach just anything. That's why we teach "less for more". We want every kid to grow up the same way Jesus did—*"in wisdom, and stature, & favor with God & man."*

What happens in Road Rally each week? Kids are challenged every Sunday to trust God, make wise decisions, & build lasting friendships. Our staff & volunteers who spend time with children believe that the Bible should never be boring, worship can be really loud, & every leader should always care.

How can you help us tackle this challenge? Put your knowledge to work and become an influencer. Isn't it time to quit watching, roll up your sleeves and get dirty? We need folks like YOU to give your kids the most important things. lynn@windsorroad.org.

5 Faith skills we teach your kids:

1. navigate the Bible
2. personalize scripture
3. articulate their faith
4. dialogue with God
5. practice a devotional life

During our 70 minutes on Sunday your child spends approximately

- 10.6 minutes getting ready to listen;
- 12.4 minutes listening;
- 15.1 minutes singing;
- 6.3 minutes praying
- 24.9 minutes hanging out with their group & talking about what they learned.

Sunday Summer Schedule of Events

- June 1st Closing parties for 1-4th grade
- June 1st Kindergarten class promoted upstairs
- June 8th Big Stuf Rally/Family Blessing in Worship Center
- June 15th 4th grade promotion to Route 56/Begin summer quarter
- June 29th Preschool PJ party & movie 5:30 to 7:30pm
- July 20th No elementary classes at 9 & 10:45am
- Aug. 24th Back to School Bash 4-6:30 PM at WRCC
- Aug. 31st No elementary classes at 9 & 10:45am
- Sept. 7th Fall Big Rally Racing Schedule Begins! Promotion for 4/5's class & all 2 year olds born before Sept. 1st, 2006.
- Sept. 14th Mother Son Fun Night 4 to 6:30pm

Summer Serve Opportunities

Brian Cook Golf Tournament for Salt & Light and TALKS Mentoring

Saturday, August 2. Enjoy a round of golf, lunch and dinner, meet Brian Cook and help a pair of great causes. Cost is \$150 per golfer. Why not a couple of Windsor Road foursomes, or how about pairing up with another Windsor Roader and inviting a couple of unchurched friends to join you? Contact Mike McElyea for more info.

Family Resource Day at Salt & Light

Saturday, August 9. A day for Windsor Roaders to help distribute school supplies to kids in need, as well as distribute food and clothing. In addition, there will be a medical clinic for school physicals. Watch the bulletin and your email for sign-up information.

Backpack Drive

All summer long! As a part of Family Resource Day, we're collecting backpacks to distribute. Our goal is 300, so start shopping now! Backpacks can be dropped off in the church office during the week and next to the Serve tower in the middle of the foyer on Sundays.

Restoration Urban Ministries Dinner - Sunday, June 29

Join our brothers & sisters from the Restoration Urban Ministries church for a Sunday Potluck Dinner. WRCC provides the meat & you provide side dishes & desserts. We all enjoy great fellowship & the opportunity to reach across racial & economic barriers to celebrate our unity in Christ. You can either head over to RUM after our 10:45 service, or even better, join the Restoration family for worship & stay for dinner.

Worship Ministry

Let Them Praise

"Let them praise the name of the LORD, for His name alone is exalted; his splendor is above the earth and the heavens." Psalm 148: 13

I absolutely love summer. I don't need a coat, the days are longer, and I usually get to go on vacation. Most of all, I love the sun. After the long, cold winter, there is nothing I love more than sitting in the sun and basking in its warmth.

I also love summer because more than any other time of the year, summer is when I sit outside and just take in all of God's creation. Whether it is a trip to the ocean or the woods, I see God in His creation. Maybe it's just me, but in creation, I am most aware of the beauty, the power, and the reality of just who our God is.

Psalm 148 (go read it!) is a call for everything God has created to worship Him as it was made to do. In the summer, I love to dwell on this psalm as I spend time outside. I love to imagine how the sky, the trees, the weather, and the animals are all constantly giving praise to the God who created them. I imagine the stars sparkling as bright as they can, the trees waving their branches as hands raised in praise, the birds floating on the air in complete confidence that God will take care of them.

I also believe that creation points us to and reminds us of the character of God. I believe that the sunset, the mountains, and the deep blue of the oceans can remind us that our God is a God who loves to make things beautiful. In the rushing of a river, I see how God passionately pursues me no matter how fast I might try to run from Him. The mountains remind me how powerful our God must be. In the light of far off stars, I'm reminded how God's love reached across an even wider gap than those stars in order to reach me with His love.

This summer, as you spend time outside in God's creation, I encourage you to notice how God's earth praises Him and points us back to His character, His faithfulness, and His love.

Summer Missions

Many Windsor Roaders are heading out for short-term summer mission trips. Please remember to pray for each one & for the ministry that God will do through them.

Dominican Republic – June 17-24

Ben Boltinghouse	Liz Ritzke
Brandon Boltinghouse	Pat Ritzke
Deb Cassels	Brian Rummery
Aaron Cole	Christina Rummery
Andrea Cole	Kaitie Schable
Rich Cole	Misty Schable
Christine Decker	Alaina Snodgrass
Maddie Decker	Eric Snodgrass
Jon Folsom	Brian Tom
Davis Hamor	Nicole Tom
Ralph Hamor	Carl Wegel
Jordan Hedge	Leah Wegel
Jenny Iverstine	Jason Wetherholt
Mike King	Ervin Williams
Rachel King	
Amy Ritzke	

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship -- Malawi

Allison Kosatka

Engineering Ministries International -- Uganda

Kelly Kirchoefer

Ukraine – June 5-17

Roger and Laura Denhart
12 university students from Kiev, Ukraine

Campus Crusade for Christ -- Wellington, NZ

Lindsay Ptasienski
Kelly Korst

Campus Crusade for Christ -- Virginia Beach, VA

Yolanda Urdiales
Ndunge Masesi

Campus Crusade for Christ -- India

Don Stout

Campus Crusade for Christ -- East Asia

Jacob Mitchell
Supriya Sekar
Kelly McIntosh
Kati Wenthe
Katie Thomas