

# Camp Barnabas I & II

A unique mission opportunity!



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## Camp Barnabas I

**Date:** July 5-14, 2012

**Leader:** Barrett Wimer

Barrett is the Student Ministry Director at Farmington Hills and has been the leader on several mission trips!

**Cost:** \$350

**Week:** Heroes Week:  
Developmentally disabled/Autism Week

## Camp Barnabas II

**Date:** July 13-22, 2012

**Leader:** Greg McDougall

Greg has been a leader on several WSM Camp Barnabas Trips!

**Cost:** \$350

**Week:** Soaring Hawks Week:  
Chronic Diseases/Blind/Deaf Campers

**Requirements:** ages 16-18

### *What is Camp Barnabas?*

Camp Barnabas offers childhood experiences to children and young adults who have been robbed of them by disease or disability. For one week, these young people are able to shift their focus away from sterile medical environments and the language of their disability or illness to focus on activities that build their courage. Many people with special medical needs endure unthinkable pain and isolating treatments for diseases or disabilities.

### *Where is the camp and what is the team schedule?*

The Camp is located in southwest Missouri (about a 13 hour drive). Team 1 (a multi-campus trip) will leave Thursday, July 5 and arrive at camp for orientation on Friday. This week students will participate in servant-oriented ministry at Camp Barnabas to those that are developmentally disabled or suffer from autism. For this trip, you can be a 'CIA' (ages 16+) spending all week with one student, or a 'Barn Stormer' (ages 14-15) who is connected to a cabin of students but works primarily behind the scenes. Team 2 will leave Friday, July 13 and arrive at camp on Saturday for orientation. This week students will be serving those that suffer from chronic disease, blindness or deafness. This week will be strictly for CIA's (ages 16-18) and will be a life-changing experience. This is our fifth year going for this particular week and are excited to see many of the same campers again!

### *What will a typical day look like for a 'Buddy' (must be 16-18)?*

As you can imagine, these precious young people need a lot of attention. Some of them are very high functioning-similar to any other child. But they may have a rare blood disease or cancer that hasn't taken a toll on them yet. Some need a little more attention—regardless you will be spending all week doing everything you can to impact their young lives. You will be partnered with a 'buddy' to serve—including staying in the same cabin. You will have one hour off per day.

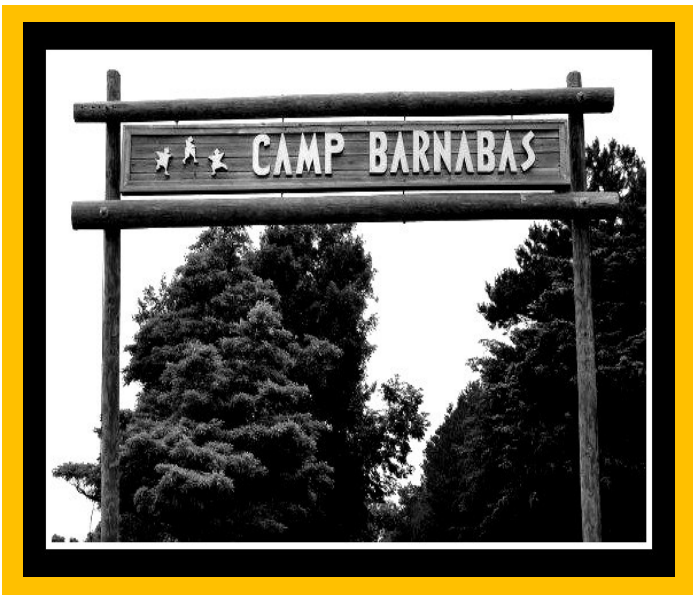


### *What will the training requirements be?*

In addition to our general missions sessions, we will be ministering to some members of Woodside with special needs and other opportunities here in the Oakland county area.

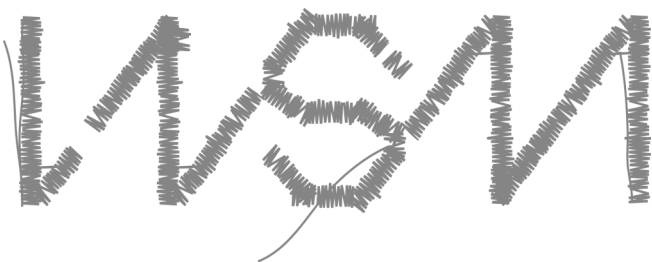
### *What is the cost and how will I raise all the money for this trip?*

**\$350** is the cost for this trip (there will be some additional cost for meals while traveling to and from Camp Barnabas). Each Student and their family is ultimately responsible for the full amount of the trip. Students will also be asked to send out 20-25 letters to family and friends asking them to be prayer partners and commit to pray for them on this endeavor. These support letters will also give opportunity for friends and family to partner with the student and support them financially in this task. We will go over more details about how to write a support letter at our mission meetings.



### *What is the next step?*

Students who wish to be a part of the Camp Barnabas team must complete an application (make sure you indicate which Camp Barnabas team you are applying for Team I or II) and include a \$75 deposit towards the trip by Sunday, February 12, 2012. Interviews will be set up and you will be notified by the trip leader regarding acceptance to the team. Team meetings, training and service projects will be set up by the trip leader.



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