

Snow and Volunteers Descend on Spring Tutoring

A lot of exciting things have happened this semester at tutoring. First, 12-15 adults from LeClaire Christian Church in Edwardsville, IL began attending every week. Their partnership with us has brought a lot of excitement, and they have enjoyed building relationships with the children in Mark Twain. Some volunteers are lamenting the



a devotional and gave the volunteers a tour of the complex.

In spite of a few weeks of rough weather, we've consistently had 20 kids every week (occasionally having as many as 30).



upcoming summer break and hoping to find ways of staying involved.

With the always-unpredictable St. Louis weather, one

week of tutoring was cancelled due to snow and ice. Then a few weeks later, we had major thunderstorms. Without the children, we had



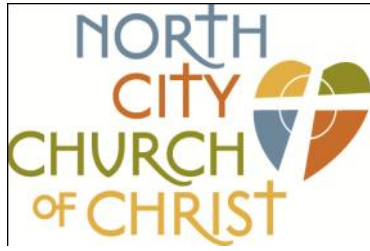
One of our own North City members, Carollette Jackson, has been doing an incredible job working with the older children on learning respect and communicating effectively with people. Other classes this semester included creative writing and craft-making, and art. Thanks to Catrina Dye, Jean Schenkewitz, and Jennifer Chesnutt for being our teachers this semester.



Tutoring will run through May this year. For three weeks on Mondays, St. Louis' Operation Food Search will provide education around food preparation and nutrition. On Saturday, May 21, the church will take all of the students on a field trip to the Missouri Botanical Gardens.

He is Risen: Celebrating Easter Sunday





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North City Church of Christ was founded in 1994 with the purpose of furthering the work of the kingdom of God in north St. Louis, MO. Since 2006, we have worshiped God in the Mark Twain neighborhood.

We are committed to weekly worship and discipleship, building relationships in our neighborhood, and improving the lives of those in our community.

We hope that you will continue to partner with us in the work of the kingdom. We welcome financial donations and in-kind donations. If your church is interested in scheduling a visit to our church, we would be glad to discuss work projects or involvement in programming.

To discuss any of these, please contact Daniel Gray at admin@northcitychurch.org.

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Help us Hire Our Summer VBS Staff

We are excited about our upcoming summer program. We will have 6 weeks of summer programming for the children in Mark Twain. For which we expect 40-60 kids every day. This summer, we are working with the following churches, who have committed to a week:

- University Church, Shreveport, LA
- Owensboro Church, Owensboro, KY
- Madison Church, Madison, TN
- Richardson East Church, Dallas, TX
- Highland Street, Memphis, TN

Some of these churches are returning, and we have a few new ones.

In order to run this program, we need an on-site coordinator lessons and classes with the groups ahead of time, assist with their daily activities, and handle behavioral issues with the children.

We want to introduce you to Candace Bass (right) and Jasmine Bates (left). Candace and her husband Alden have been a member at North City for over two years and have been active in supporting our ministries. This school year, she volunteered as our tutoring coordinator. In addition to knowing the children in Mark Twain

through tutoring, she has several years of experience in teaching in low income schools. Candace and Alden also spent a year working with an orphanage in Honduras.

Because Candace has turned down other teaching opportunities this summer, we need to raise the funds to pay her for her work at North City. We are requesting \$900 for her summer stipend — Maybe you can send us enough to cover one day: that's \$50. Or you can cover a whole week for \$150.

Jasmine Bates is one of the members at North City. She is about to complete her freshman year of high school and has volunteered with the tutoring program in the past. Candace needs to hire Jasmine as her assistant. We are asking for \$300 for Jasmine's summer stipend. Maybe you can write a check for Jasmine's whole summer, or maybe you can hire her for one week at \$50.

If you can help us with any portion of this \$1200, please mail a check to the address above. Please put "VBS" in the memo line.

