

CAMP REPORT



Leadership & Prevention Camp 2017

“Ultimate Reality”



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Camp Counselors/ **Volunteers**

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MISSIONARY CAMP COUNSELORS (Trained/ Briefed in Darkness to Light Child Abuse Prevention Training) Each camp counselor has 10+ years experience working at youth summer camps, vacation bible school and other family life ministries.

Logistics and Set Up - Rev. Jevon Daley & Minister Patrick Banton, Completing Bachelor in Theology Minor in Guidance Counseling

Administration - Minister Tashi Page, Minister Calesia Graham, Completing Bachelor in Theology Minor in Guidance Counseling

Vibes Master (Ice Breaker and Activity Coordinator) - Minister Rhoel Williams, Completing Bachelor in Theology Minor in Guidance Counseling

Group Support - Rev. Shantel Anderson, Rev. Michael Craigg, Minister Aldith Knight, Minister Dorothea Walcott-Gohagen, Minister Welton Bartley, Minister Kemesha Vassell, Completing Bachelor in Theology Minor in Guidance Counseling

VOLUNTEER

Administration - Shakeina Edwards,

Assigned Teen Leaders/ **Emergent Teen Leaders**

ASSIGNED TEEN LEADERS

The two assigned teen leaders were attendees at the previous camps held 2014, 2015 and 2016. As a result of their performances, they were selected as teen leaders for this year's camp again.

Mohyndra Brown

Braneta Anderson

EMERGENT LEADERS

Each of the campers that displayed leadership in their groups and throughout camp received leadership awards at the closing programme.

Group 1 Red Hunters - Zariyah Duran

Group 2 Blue Stars - Emma Kimball

Group 3 Gold Beams - Liana Wilks

Group 4 Fantastic Stars - Aiden Whorms

During the two weeks of camp we worked with a total of 41 young people ages 6-9, 39 ages 10-14, and 3 15+ for a total of 83 campers. This is a 26% increase from last year's camp. 4 of the campers were from overseas and of the remaining 79, 15 schools were represented across 5 districts.

Districts

West Bay - 10

George Town - 32

Bodden Town - 30

North Side - 6

East End - 1

Schools Represented

Sir John A Cumber Primary School - 5

George Town Primary School - 6

Red Bay Primary School - 11

Prospect Primary School - 15

Savannah Primary School - 5

Bodden Town Primary School - 3

North Side Primary School - 1

East End Primary School - 1

Cayman Academy - 3

CI Prep School - 1

St. Ignatius - 1

Truth For Youth - 1

Wesleyan Christian Academy - 1

Clifton Hunter High School - 12

John Gray High School - 13

Week 1

WEEK 1		
	Age	District
	15	BT
	12	BT
	9	GT
	15	GT
	13	GT
	8	BT
	12	BT
	9	GT
	7	NS
	15	NS
	6	BT
	9	BT
	12	GT
	11	BT
	12	GT
	7	Jamaica
	6	WB
	8	WB
	7	GT
	9	BT
	10	GT
	9	NS
	7	GT
	13	GT
	7	GT
	11	BT
	9	GT
	8	BT
	10	BT
	7	GT
	14	BT
	14	GT
	10	GT
	12	GT
	10	BT
	10	WB
	10	GT
	8	GT

WEEK 1		
	Age	District
	9	BT
	12	GT
	10	BT
	9	GT
	7	GT
	10	WB
	8	BT
	13	Canada
	8	EE
	7	BT
	7	GT
	9	BT
	13	WB
	12	NS
	10	BT
	10	BT
	9	GT
	9	NS
	8	WB
	7	WB
	12	WB
	8	GT
	8	GT
	12	BT
	9	GT
	8	BT
	11	BT

Week 2

WEEK 2		
	Age	District
	6	BT
	9	BT
	9	GT
	10	BT
	13	BT
	8	BT
	8	GT
	7	GT
	12	GT
	11	GT
	11	BT
	12	GT
	7	Jamaica
	8	GT
	9	BT
	13	NS
	9	NS
	13	GT
	12	WB
	11	BT
	12	GT
	10	BT
	14	GT
	10	GT
	12	GT
	10	BT
	10	GT
	8	GT
	8	BT
	7	BT
	12	GT
	9	GT
	12	WB
	9	GT
	8	BT
	13	Canada
	14	BT

WEEK 2		
	Age	District
	8	EE
	7	BT
	7	GT
	14	Jamaica
	12	Jamaica
	9	BT
	13	BT
	12	NS
	10	BT
	10	BT
	9	NS
	8	WB
	8	GT
	8	GT
	12	BT
	9	GT

Week 1

Camp Opening

On the first day of camp campers registered and signed in to their assigned groups.

DEVOTION/ GREETINGS & INTRODUCTIONS

After devotion campers had an opportunity to meet and greet other campers and participate in icebreakers.



TEAMBUILDING (Group Name and Motto)

The main activity of the day was the formation of the individual groups. During their group session they decided on a name and motto.

Group 1 Red Hunters - "Hunting for Victory through God"

Group 2 Blue Stars - "Shoot for the moon, even if you fall you'll still be among the stars"

Group 3 Gold Beams - "With God all beams are perpetual"

Group 4 Fantastic Stars - "Climbing the bars of success"

REFLECTIVE ACTIVITY



Summary

At the first general session the campers were introduced to the developmental assets that help them to succeed. The theme of camp was explained to the campers. “The Ultimate Reality” which refers to their need for parental involvement and positive peer influence towards their success. These were reinforced throughout the week.

This year it was planned that each group would have assigned camp counselors who would do all the sessions with their group. On days when this proved challenging we resorted back to general sessions with the entire camp.

The external assets Support, Empowerment, Boundaries and Expectations and Constructive Use of Time, were focused on during the first week. For each asset within each category campers rated themselves from 1-10. 1 being the lowest score and 10 being the highest score. After a brief discussion the campers were given an activity to do for the asset focused on.

Each group camp counselors presented the Making Right Choices curriculum, utilizing the Josh McDowell ‘Right Choices Leader’s Guide’ and ‘Setting You Free to Make Right Choices Workbook’. These sessions had theme verses that were used in the devotional exercise at the beginning of the day’s activities as well.

The field trip of the first week of camp was to the Seven Mile

Daily Activities

TUESDAY

1. ASSET PRESENTATION - Category of Focus **Support** Young people need to experience support, care, and love from their families, neighbors, and many others. They need organizations and institutions that provide positive, supportive environments.

DISCUSSION: Asset #2 Positive Family Communication: Young person and her or his parents communicate positively, and young person is willing to seek advice and counsel from parents. As last year many of the campers rated this low, especially after it was suggested the type of topics they could seek advice on eg. Sex, Bullying/ Youth violence.

ACTIVITY: A letter to mom and dad. The campers were asked to write a letter to their parents about a topic that they found difficult to discuss. One of the campers wrote

2. MAKING RIGHT CHOICES PRESENTATION - S1 - IT'S A FREE-FOR-ALL

THEME VERSE: In those days, everyone did that which was right in his own eyes (Jud. 21:25). After a warm up activity about game with or without rules, the presentation introduced the campers to the format of the Right Choices, address the danger and devastation of everyone doing what is right to them. The presentation also prompted the campers to recognize their need of a standard for moral decisions.

WEDNESDAY

1. ASSET PRESENTATION - Category of Focus **Empowerment** Young people need to be valued by their community and have opportunities to contribute to the world around them. For this to occur, they must be safe and feel secure.

DISCUSSION: Asset #9 Service to Others: Young person serves in the community one hour or more per week. Most of the campers rated low for this asset.

NO ACTIVITY

2. MAKING RIGHT CHOICES PRESENTATION - S2 - GOD ON STAGE

THEME VERSE: He is the Rock . . . a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he (Deuteronomy 32:4, KJV). Campers were introduced to the concept that we must learn "God's ways" in order to know of his expectations.

Daily Activities

THURSDAY

1. ASSET PRESENTATION - Category of Focus **Boundaries and Expectations** Young people need to know what is expected of them and understand whether the activities and behaviors they choose are "in bounds" and "out of bounds."

DISCUSSION: Asset #15 Positive Peer Influence: Young person best friend model positive responsible behavior.

ACTIVITY: Campers had a choice between the Friends are and the Model Photo Album handout to highlight the characteristics of their friends.

2. MAKING RIGHT CHOICES PRESENTATION - S3 - WHOSE RULES RULE

THEME VERSE: How great you are, O Sovereign Lord! There is no one like you, and there is no God but you (2 Samuel 7:22). Campers were prompted to the realization that we should make right choices, not just because they benefit us but because of who God is. They were invited to submit their wills and their "right" to decide right from wrong, to God and /his revelation of right and wrong.

FRIDAY

1. ASSET PRESENTATION - Category of Focus **Constructive Use of Time** Young people need constructive, enriching opportunities for growth through creative activities, youth programs, time with family and faith based organizations. Young people need constructive, enriching opportunities for growth through creative activities, youth programs, time with family and faith based organizations.

DISCUSSION: Asset #17 Creative Activities: Young person spends three or more hours per week in lessons or practice in music, theatre or other arts.

ACTIVITY: Discussion about various Extra-curricular activities

2. MAKING RIGHT CHOICES PRESENTATION - S4 – THE FOUR C’S

THEME VERSE: Show me your ways, O Lord, teach me your paths; guide me in your truth and teach me

(Psalm 25:4-5a). Reinforcing concepts shared in previous sessions, campers were introduced to the four C's. These are Consider the choice, Compare it to God, Commit to God's Way and Count on God's Provision and Protection. Campers were directed to begin applying the process to situations involving moral choices.

THURSDAY July 6 - BEACH OLYMPICS



After spending one week of camp, some of the campers and their parents spent the afternoon with us at the Black Pearl Skate Park and Salty's Restaurant. It was a good opportunity for the camp counselors to speak with the parents of the campers assigned to their group. Even though it rained it did not dampen the spirits of our campers.



As camp counselor we decided to join the Cayman Islands Baptist Church in Savannah. Campers and parents were invited.



Week 2

Summary

At the first general session the campers were reminded of the developmental assets that help them to succeed. With the help of the campers the theme of camp was explained to the new campers. “The Ultimate Reality” which refers to their need for parental involvement and positive peer influence towards their success. These were reinforced throughout the week.

This year it was planned that each group would have assigned camp counselors who would do all the sessions with their group. On days when this proved challenging we resorted back to general sessions with the entire camp.

The internal assets Commitment to Learning, Positive Values, Social Competences and Positive Identity, were focused on during the second week. For each asset within each category campers rated themselves from 1-10. 1 being the lowest score and 10 being the highest score. After a brief discussion the campers were given an activity to do for the asset focused on.

Each group camp counselors presented the Making Right Choices curriculum, utilizing the Josh McDowell ‘Right Choices Leader’s Guide’ and ‘Setting You Free to Make Right Choices Workbook’. These sessions had theme verses that were used in the devotional exercise at the beginning of the day’s activities as well.

The field trips of the second week of camp was to the Skate Park and Yacht Club where the young people got the opportunity to go for a boat ride to Stingray City. Instead of a field trip at the Dart Park as last year, survivor day was held on the field of the camp site.

Daily Activities

MONDAY

1. ASSET PRESENTATION - Category of Focus **Commitment to Learning** Young people need to develop a lifelong commitment to education and learning.

DISCUSSION: Asset # 21 Achievement Motivation Young person is motivated to do well in school. / Asset #25 Reading for Pleasure Young person reads for pleasure three or more hours per week.

ACTIVITY: Yes you can, Bumper stickers, I love to read. The campers were asked to brainstorm ways in which parents and teachers could motivate students to do well and were asked for sayings they would put on motivational placards.

2. MAKING RIGHT CHOICES PRESENTATION - S5 – HONEST TO GOD

THEME VERSE: "I know, my God, that you test the heart and are pleased with integrity" (1 Chronicles 29:17a). The campers were led into a session on how to apply the 4C process to the issue of cheating versus honesty.

TUESDAY

1. ASSET PRESENTATION - Category of Focus **Social Competences** Young people need skills and competencies that equip them to make positive choices, to build healthy relationships, and to be successful and productive adults.

DISCUSSION: Asset # 36 Peaceful Conflict Resolution Young person seeks to resolve conflict nonviolently.

ACTIVITY: "I" Messages, Strategy Wheel. Instead of "you" statements the campers were taught and practiced "I" messages as a strategy for reducing conflict.

2. MAKING RIGHT CHOICES PRESENTATION - S6 – WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS NOW

THEME VERSE: "This is the message you have heard from the beginning: We should love one another" (1 John 3:11). The campers were led into a session on how to apply the 4C process to the issue of maltreatment versus love.

3. YOUTH ISSUE PRESENTATION (Shifted to Wednesday)

Substance Abuse

Youth Violence

Daily Activities

WEDNESDAY

1. ASSET PRESENTATION - Category of Focus **Positive Values** Young people need to develop strong values that guide their choices and decisions throughout life.

DISCUSSION: Asset # 31 Restraint Young person believes it is important not to be sexually active or to use alcohol or other drugs.

ACTIVITY: Campers discussed the importance of restraint.

2. MAKING RIGHT CHOICES PRESENTATION - S7 – SWEET CHASTITY

THEME VERSE: “Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me” (Psalm 51:10). The campers were led into a session on how to apply the 4C process to the issue of sex.

3 YOUTH ISSUE PRESENTATION

Sexual Activity/ Teen Pregnancy

THURSDAY (Shifted to Friday)

1. ASSET PRESENTATION - Category of Focus **Positive Identity** Young people need a strong sense of their own power, purpose, worth, and promise.

DISCUSSION: Asset #38 Self-esteem, Asset #39 Sense of Purpose, Asset #40 Positive view of personal future

ACTIVITY: What’s great about me, A look to the future, Your dream of your world
Campers were given handouts and asked to circle positive words that describe them. Feedback was given for some of the responses.

2. MAKING RIGHT CHOICES PRESENTATION - S8 – WELCOME TO THE NEXT LEVEL

THEME VERSE: “God . . . wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth” (1Timothy 2:4). This presentation challenged students to take a stand for truth and what is right in a world of negative influences.

MONDAY July 10 - SKATE PARK



THURSDAY July 13 - BOAT TRIP



SURVIVOR DAY

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Group Work Display

Red Hunters



Blue Stars



Gold Beams



Fantastic Stars



Closing Programme

Final Group Presentation

In the presence of their peers and parents, each group presented a summary of all the presentations and activities they were involved in during the camp. Blue stars focused on the importance of parental involvement and Gold beams focused on bullying.



Closing Programme

Awards/ Incentives



For each of the four groups represented campers were selected for leadership, most outstanding and most improved. Other special recognition certificates were given.

Fearless Olympian medals were given for the beach olympics, survivor day and other challenge activities.

Leadership

Group 1 Red Hunters - Zariyah Duran

Group 2 Blue Stars - Emma Kimball

Group 3 Gold Beams - Liana Wilks

Group 4 Fantastic Stars - Aiden Whorms

Most Outstanding

Group 1 Red Hunters - Zariyah Duran

Group 2 Blue Stars - Mya Vernon

Group 3 Gold Beams - Liana Wilks

Group 4 Fantastic Stars - Amoya Burton

Most Improved

Group 1 Red Hunters - Zaria Daley

Group 2 Blue Stars - Asher Jacobs

Group 3 Gold Beams - Herbert Walker

Group 4 Fantastic Stars - Deandra Bigby

Five parents were selected and acknowledged for their support and involvement during the camp.

Closing Programme



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