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GOCS Graduation & School Closing Program



Twelve tassels danced lively on the bright yellow caps of twelve excited six, or almost six, year olds as they marched down the aisle to the choir stand of Mendenhall Bible Church on May 27th. Parents and grandparents snapped pictures and looked on with pride: their children and grandchildren were graduating from kindergarten!

This is one of many milestones these children will reach. Over the past few years they have been nurtured in the Word and given the first building blocks toward a strong academic foundation. This Bible-based foundation will continue to be built on throughout each student's experience at Genesis One Christian School.



Second grader leads students in school pledge.



Roby Chanda, Esq., President of REAL Christian Foundation, (and former GOCS student), encourages and congratulates students.



From the President's Desk | Dr. Scottye Holloway

MOVING FORWARD

curriculum is the latest response to that commitment.

We will continue to build on the progress we made with the Youth Leadership Development/Summer Enrichment Program. Engaging our youth with hands-on experience with professional cameras and related equipment was a great investment in June. The film and photography industries are probably areas most of our youth had not considered as career options. Empowering them with the skills/tools they can use to tell their story, their community's story, is powerful! These are not the traditional paths we normally think of, but the exposure can awaken a passion in a young person that totally changes the

trajectory of his/her life. We are thankful to God for allowing us to be a part of His plan, (Jeremiah 29:11), for these young people.

However, special efforts have to be made to expose young people living in rural Mississippi to these and other opportunities. This is the role TMM plays, along with partners like you. With the recent increase in violent activities by youth nation-wide, it is imperative that we, the Christian community, the church, embrace our youth with the love of Jesus Christ and provide them with attractive productive alternatives. Thank you for standing with us in this effort.

GOCS's 2022/23 academic year began August 1. As wonderful as 2021/22 was, (one highlight was placing first in the 7th Annual STEM/SUMO Competition in March), we are looking forward to an even better year in 2022/23, qualitatively and quantitatively. We are committed to building a strong and relevant foundation that can continuously be built upon. Integrating STEM into the



YOUTH LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT/SUMMER ENRICHMENT



Gary Bauer gives one-on-one instructions to one of the youth participants on filming techniques.



Youth participants listen attentively during class on film production

There was never a dull moment during the Youth Leadership Development/Summer Enrichment Program this summer.

Thirty-four students below 9th grade and ten older youth participated in the month-long program.

Former Board member, Gary Bauer and his wife, Susan, taught two new hands-on topics: biblical financial principles and video production, as part of the Youth Leadership Development Program.

Bible study, basic skills development in reading and mathematics, arts and crafts remained the foundational topics for the Summer Enrichment component. However, the young kids also got a new treat: learning how to tie-dye!

This program ensured that these kids were not victims of summer learning loss while having lots of fun. The older youth were challenged to become better stewards of their resources and to learn a new and marketable skill.

Youth participants & Mrs. Brianna hanging out after a long day of training.



Kids engrossed in learning how to tie-dye T-shirts



VOLUNTEERS



Thirty-four volunteer youth and adults from Two Cities Church, Winston Salem, NC, labored in extreme heat and humidity in June to serve in Mendenhall. They re-roofed the administration building, painted classrooms and stripped and waxed GOCS's floors; refurbished GOCS's playground; and cut and removed overgrowth from campus grounds and fences, among other tasks. They gave GOCS and the Ministry campus a great face-lift! Additionally, they repaired the front porch and busted water pipes for a local family.

Thank you Two Cities Church volunteers.

COMMUNITY NIGHT



Two Cities Church volunteers and community members enjoyed an evening of fellowship, food, and fun!

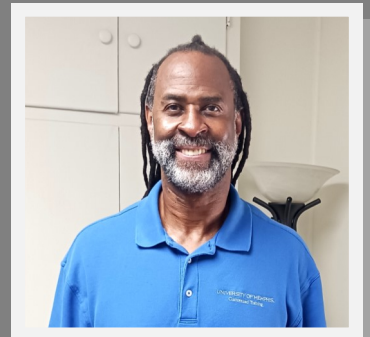
After several days of cleaning fence rows, roofing, painting and stripping floors, it was time the volunteers had some fun and relaxation. Community residents came out in full force.

Community Night was a snapshot of Psalm 133!

Most of the evening's activities were conducted in R.A Buckley Recreation Center.



Former CLO Para-legal Returns to say "Hello"



Gerald Witherspoon stopped by TMM to look up former colleagues and old friends in July.

Gerald served in the Community Law Office in 1988 and 1989, as a para-legal. He said that those were two of the best years of his life.

Gerald retired in 2016 from the Memphis City School system and gospel radio. He is originally from Clarksdale, MS.

Thanks for stopping by Gerald!



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I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. Philippians 1: 3-5

Dear Ministry Partner, Please consider the following ways you may continue to partner with us:

- Pray regularly for us.
- Give to TMM General Fund. \$_____.
- Give to the President's Support. Enclosed is my Monthly, Quarterly or Annual Gift for \$_____. (Circle one)
- Sponsor a child at Genesis One Christian School (GOCS) for \$50, \$100, \$200 or \$400 per month, or \$_____
- Give to GOCS General Fund \$_____
- Give to Recreation Program \$_____.
- Give to Summer Enrichment/Youth Leadership Development Program \$_____.
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- Request info about hosting or serving as TMM Ambassador.

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