

July 2025 Newsletter

Summer is a full and fruitful season at YouthHope! We're two-thirds of the way through Camp, and summer programs have been running strong at each of our Centers. A special highlight was a missions team from Washington, IA who led a vibrant VBS for our Rock Island kids—filled with memory verses, energetic worship, and powerful Gospel truth. Watching the kids jump and sing to worship songs, many for the first time, was a beautiful reminder of how the mission of YouthHope comes alive every day. Most of the youth we serve aren't familiar with church culture or Scripture, but this summer, more than ever, we're seeing them grow into disciples of Christ.

Kids today face constant pressure from social media and the overwhelming noise of our culture. That's why the need for hope and truth is greater than ever—and our mission is meeting the moment. Through Camp, our Centers, and Outreach, we're walking alongside youth in authentic relationships and pointing them to the love of Jesus.

We need you more than ever. Thank you for giving, volunteering, and partnering with us in the Gospel. Your time and generosity make this ministry possible, and we are so grateful for you as we build the Kingdom of God together.

Gratefully,
Esther Joy King, Executive Director



Together, We Bring YouthHope

Inside Camp Summit



Above is a powerful moment at Camp when **54 High School boys** were joined together in worship. God's Spirit has been moving in the hearts and lives of the kids and teens at camp. **62 Junior High Boys** attended camp this past week. Each boy was attentive and receptive to the words spoken by the speakers. They were eager to praise God and learn more of His Word. Camp is truly a transformative experience and only the beginning for these young men and women! Continue to pray for hearts to be transformed, for each kid and teen to grow in the ways of the Lord, walk boldly in His power, and continue to grow as men and women of valor!

Summer Event

School is Around the Corner: Help us Prepare for our Back to School Bash!Volunteer Positions Needed:

Volunteers - help distribute school supplies to families

Prayer Team - pray with families **Individuals and Groups -** connect with families and build relationships

Back to School Bash Date:

July 23rd 12pm-1:30pm Moline YouthCenter 3928 12th Avenue, Moline, IL 61265

Supplies Needed:

- Binders, New 17" Quality Backpacks
- Looseleaf Paper, Folders
- Spiral Notebooks
- Pencil boxes, Pencils, Pens
- Markers, Crayons
- Pencil Sharpeners, Tissues,& More!

CRE8 Studios at Camp

During High School Girls Week at camp, each young woman had the opportunity to choose something from creation that she found beautiful and paint it. Through this activity, they explored how God's glory is revealed in the world around them—and were reminded that the same God who made the mountains, oceans, and stars also made them: each one unique and deeply beautiful.



Josiah and Sophia, our Creative
Arts leaders, design activities that
inspire creativity and deepen
faith. Through fun, hands-on
experiences, students discover
more of God in their lives and
grow spiritually while discovering
new interests that can lead to
growth and new opportunities.



Thank You to Our Volunteer Teams and Churches!







This past month, we've been deeply blessed by the incredible support from local churches and volunteer groups. Their collective efforts—cleaning and organizing youth centers, cooking at Camp Summit, and Vacation Bible School with our kids at YouthHope—have truly made an impact. We can't thank them enough for their servant hearts; their dedication does not go unnoticed!

Building Authentic Relationships that Lead to Christ

Igniting Hope Through Faithful Service

Volunteer Recruitment

More than 400 Kids are Expected to Attend Programs this Year at YouthHope!

Our need is growing and we need your help!

Have you considered assisting in creative, engaging crafts and life-skill teaching, building authentic relationships, mentoring young boys, or helping with pick-up? We have a place for you!

Please pray and consider how you can be a part of our mission at YouthHope and change lives!

Ready to Get Involved?

- 1. Fill out our volunteer form by scanning the QR Code or call our office at (309) 726-4577.
- 2. Sign-Up for Volunteer Orientation and Training.
- 3. Change Lives!





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Upcoming Events

Volunteer Orientation and Training!

Volunteer Orientation & Training Dates:

8/20 - 12pm at Moline Youth Center

8/21 - 5:30pm at Rock Island Youth Center

8/23 - 10am at Davenport Youth Center

8/25 - 3pm Held at Moline Youth Center

Interested Volunteers: Sign Up for One Session via the QR Code or Call (309) 762-4577



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