

A Mission Opportunity

Have you ever experienced attending a Christian Camp? It is a life-changing experience for many young people. Just to have caring and loving adults surrounding you for one whole week and appreciating the beauty of God helps you understand how much God truly loves you.

This August we will be sending fifteen or more youth from our CRT classes to Conestoga Bible Camp in

beautiful Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. There are many other students who would love to have the opportunity to attend. If you would like to contribute to this ministry, please send your contribution to Skilton House Ministries, Box 1045, Glenside, PA 19038. The cost for one week per camper is \$125.00. You might consider a whole or partial scholarship.

Partner with Skilton House Ministries

We invite you and your church family to become a Partner in our Ministry. Our mission field is in Philadelphia, where many of the mainline churches have left since they cannot be supported financially. Like any other large city in the United States, Philadelphia has suffered with an over-population of needy people looking for work, under-educated and caught in pover-

ty. The good news is God LOVES them and has a plan for them, once they open their heart and soul to Him. Your partnership with us will help many more come to know our Lord and Savior. We ask for your Prayers and your Financial Support. If you wish to volunteer your time, we would love to have you work in our Lord's ministry. Call 215-646-1774.

How to Start a CRT

- Establish interest in CRT in a local church
- Contact Skilton House Ministries
- Form a committee of interested church volunteers
- Select CRT curriculum
- Approach local school/district
- Establish the time and place for CRT
- Distribute permission slips
- Begin classes
- Keep attendance records and report these to school
- Hold special classes for holidays
- Hold a graduation ceremony at end of year
- Conduct annual evaluation of CRT
- Participate in teacher/volunteer training

The President's Corner

By Mr. Durwin Parks

As we begin a new year, we tend to look back and review the past year or make predictions about the year ahead. I praise the Lord Jesus Christ for allowing us to pack 2,007 baskets of food at our annual Operation Brotherhood and that we have reached over 100 students through Christian Released Time. As we, by God's enabling grace, move forward in this coming year, let us be reminded that the Sovereign King of the Universe loves and cares for us. Without the incarnation of the Lord Jesus Christ, we would have no hope. It is in that Name which is above all names that we press forward.

To God be the glory for the work He is doing in Philadelphia. Please pray for us. If you would like to help with time or money, contact us at director@skiltonhouse.org

*Train up
a child
in the way
he should go,
and when
he is old
he will not
depart from it.*

PROVERBS 22:6

SKILTON HOUSE MINISTRIES NEWSLETTER

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Christian Released Time

Do you remember when our Sunday Schools in our churches were full of children who were eager to receive their perfect attendance pins? Also wanted to hear more stories about Jesus and wanted to become more like Him and join the Church?

This can be happening in your church this year through the Christian Released Time Program. You have the opportunity to give Christian Education to the children in your school community during the day with their parents' permission for one hour per week, for thirty-six weeks. What a blessing this has been to so many children and the schools who have cooperated. We have found that the learning curves reach higher than expected and the behavior is remarkably improved. All things are possible through Jesus Christ; however, He chooses to use you as His ambassador. Call us and we would be delighted to come and talk to your pastor and members about how to become involved. 215-646-1774.

After eight sessions of Christian Released Time, a ten-year-old boy decided to hold a Prayer Group in his home. He invited some of his class members to join him. They laughed at him. He said, "Let them laugh. Jesus is my Lord and He loves me and we will just have to pray for them to come to know Jesus as their Lord and Savior." The Prayer Group is now in session and

they are praying for those who laughed.

We would like to start released time classes in every school in Philadelphia. Please consider joining our monthly donors in supporting this vital work.

This year we have a goal of sending at least fifteen children to Conestoga Bible Camp near Lancaster, PA for

one week. It will cost about \$125.00 for each camper. This will be a great experience for these new Christians and you can be a part of it by sending a check or money order for the whole amount or part of the total amount to: Skilton House Ministries, Box 1045, Glenside, PA 19038. Please note on your check or money order: Campership. Thank you.



OPERATION BROTHERHOOD 2010

We praise our Lord for making it possible to reach 2,007 families this year by distributing baskets of food, turkeys, and the Word of God.

Through prayers, cooperation, and contributions from many faithful Christians, we gathered the canned goods and groceries, bagged the onions and potatoes, and prepared for Packing Night 2010. Our service began at 7 P.M. in the beautiful sanctuary of the Korean United Church of Philadelphia with Senior Pastor Jae Seong Kim welcoming everyone and giving the opening prayer. Mr. Durwin Parks, President of Skilton House Ministries, also welcomed and thanked everyone for their support. We enjoyed the solo given by Rev. Leroy West and the inspirational devotion given by Rev. Henry Cooper, Pastor of Community Church of God and Past President of Skilton House Ministries. It was then time to go to work and pack the baskets for the families. Under the direction of Rev. Kevin Chapman of Truth Memorial Baptist Church, we sang as we worked and within one hour and ten minutes we packed 2,007 baskets of food. Many hands of loving Christian workers made this all possible. We thank you.

The next morning the Church representatives arrived and took their baskets and the book of Luke for each family to their churches. The 2,007 books of Luke were a gift from the Philadelphia Bible Society who donates a book of the Bible each year to our families.

Tuesday morning before Thanksgiving arrived with a cold blustery wind and a refrigerated truck full of turkeys. Our church representatives helped to unload the truck and all the turkeys were distributed to the churches and then given to the families that evening with the baskets of food and the Book of Luke.

One again we were able to say, God Loves You to so many families and we thank PECO for once again placing on their Crown Lights our message all over Philadelphia for four nights, every three minutes, "LOVE ONE ANOTHER, OPERATION BROTHERHOOD 2010 SKILTON HOUSE MINISTRIES."

