

Together for Hope and CBF of Arkansas  
Presents the first annual  
"Young Families Mission Immersion Weekend"  
March 3-4, 2007  
Helena/West Helena, Arkansas

#### Explanation

The young family mission immersion weekend is a chance for families to experience God's hand at work in one of the poorest areas of the US. You will see, feel, and hear the essence of God's plan for his people in Phillips County, AR. Everyone in your family will be connected to a specific mission activity that will excite and challenge the entire family.

Holistic Transformation is the key objective of the weekend. Both for the community of Helena/West Helena and for each of your families and individuals that participate. Transformation of physical and spiritual lives through the immersion of oneself and one's family is the main objective of the weekend.

#### Activities

##### Mission Activities

- Construction work on New Light Missionary Baptist Church
- Construction work on Helena/West Helena Swimming Pool House
- Construction work on Affordable Housing Unit in Helena/West Helena
- Literacy activities like reading to children, cataloging books for the Stories on Wheels library and mobile bus, and puppetry.
- Building bookshelves for preschool age kids
- Participating in a community "Drum Circle" event for musically inclined people
- Participating in a mini-VBS activity through the Stories on Wheels bus
- Playing sports with local kids at the Helena/West Helena Community Center
- Interacting with local people showing God's and your love for the citizens of Helena/West Helena through visits to the elderly center, people who are shut in, and young kids who visit the community center
- Work in the Gardens of EDEN community gardens (2 sites) installing watering systems and working on infrastructure improvements
- Repair of Little League ball field (fencing and backstop)

##### Social Activities

- Concert, dance and party at the community center on Saturday night with local and outside volunteers as well as citizens of the community
- Volunteer Dinner on Saturday night

##### Worship and Mission Information Activities

- Learn about mission opportunities in AR and the rest of the world with Together for Hope and CBF
- Learn about opportunities to serve your local church through Missional Church resources
- Learn about opportunities to serve in CBF's Disaster Response Ministries
- Learn about the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship
- Worship with New Light Missionary Baptist Church in Helena, AR

#### Costs

- Travel & hotel costs, plus \$35 registration fee per family

#### Lodging

- Motel 6 870-572-7915
- Best Western 870-572-2592
- Edwardian Inn Bed and Breakfast 870-338-9155
- Magnolia Inn Bed and Breakfast 870-338-6874
- Churches available to stay in for nominal fee of \$15/family

#### Schedule

Saturday, March 3, 2007 through Sunday, March 4, 2007

#### Saturday, March 3, 2007

Arrive by Saturday morning 10 AM (earlier is OK too)

Mission Activities (10 AM – 5 PM)

Dinner (6 PM – 7 PM)

Concert, Dance, and Party (7 pm – 10 PM)

#### Sunday, March 4, 2007

Mission Information Time (8 AM – 10 AM)

Worship (10:30 AM- 12 Noon)

#### Contact & Reservation Information

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