



# IN WAYNE & BEYOND

*Love God, Love Others & Serve the World!*

## Letter from the Pastor

**Jackson & Donna Crum Coming July 3 & 4**

Dear Church of the Saviour family,

The Sunday that COVID initially closed Church of the Saviour down, former pastor Jackson Crum was set to preach during our Missions March (March 15, 2020). There was concern at the time that sticking with the Missions theme might mute out an important global outreach message because of the loud noise that accompanied COVID. So, we asked Jackson to shift to a sermon that might be more immediately relevant to the international pandemic. He did and delivered a very timely message. All along our hope was that we could invite him back before he and Donna left for overseas ministry. Unfortunately, the COVID situation that we thought would last a couple of weeks has lasted well over a year.

The great news is that Jackson and Donna will be back in the area in early July to share how COS impacted their passion for missions. They'll be sharing at the Saturday 6pm outdoor worship service and the two Sunday morning worship services (9am & 10:30am). It will be a wonderful time to welcome Jackson and Donna back to hear how Jesus planted an excitement for the nations in their hearts while they served our church family.

Mark your calendar and plan to attend to hear their encouraging and challenging story. Also, please be praying for Jackson and Donna in their ministry as they encourage young(er) leaders who are making an eternal difference in ministering to Muslim populations. Let's let the following verses that reflect Jesus'

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mission and vision prepare our hearts for their timely visit:

**Jesus' Mission to the Nations:** Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." (Matthew 28:18-20)

**Jesus' Vision for the Nations:** After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. ... And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb." All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying: "Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!" (Revelation 7:9a-12)

*Missions exists because worship doesn't,*

*Pastor Kevin*





# Kids Ministry Summer Spotlight

by Katerina Simbo

## One camp down...

During this past week, we had our preschool age, **Camp Little Bear**, with 81 campers and 57 counselors/volunteers! A video is in the works, so stay tuned!

## Two to go

C-Camp is coming July 12-16. We are in need Senior & Jr. Counselors.

**Adventure Camp** is coming August 1-7. The deadline for registration is Friday, July 16. There is still plenty of room to register your camper(s)! Click here to see our [2019 Adventure Camp video](#).

**Scholarship Fund:** Our scholarship fund makes it possible for all boys & girls who want to attend our camps to come regardless of cost. It also contributes to offsetting the expenses of the staff & counselors who serve during Adventure Camp. Will you consider giving to our camp fund?

We could not do summer camps without our summer interns! Here are our 2021 interns:

**Benjamin Holladay:** "Hello, my name is Benjamin Holladay, but I go by Benji. I just completed a Gap Year at the prestigious Holladay House Institute. I will be attending Virginia Tech this fall, majoring in Mechanical Engineering. I am also the tallest intern by a considerable margin."

**Sophie Kraihanzel:** "Hi! I am Sophie. I just finished a great gap year and will be studying history at Messiah University in the fall! I play music. A lot. I am also officially the shortest intern by a large margin."



**Ava Quinn:** "Hi! I am Ava and this is my second year as a children's ministry intern. I am going into my sophomore year at the University of Pittsburgh, and I am majoring in Development Psychology. I am the ginger intern, and I don't know how tall I am unlike the others."

**Jake Meredith:** "Hi everyone! My name is Jake! I am going into my sophomore year at the University of Delaware and am majoring in Mechanical Engineering. I am also the second tallest intern by a small, small margin."

**Carolina Button:** "Hey y'all! I am Carolina! I'm going to be a freshman at Carson-Newman University this fall, and I plan to study Linguistics. I am the southern intern and bring a little southern spunk into the group!"



# Students, College, and Young Adults

by Fran Veira, Deborah Bitzer, and Stephen Chang

## Volunteers Needed

Student Ministry is growing as a vibrant, Christian youth family. Our hope is to see even more students return to the youth group in the Fall, invite their friends and share the gospel with those who don't yet know him. Over the last year we have had a wonderful group of leaders, but many of them are moving out of state or on to different seasons of life. This means we have a pressing need for new leaders who will commit to loving and serving the students for the 2021-2022 school year. This is a wonderful opportunity to work with middle and/or high school students. Please email [deborahb@coswayne.org](mailto:deborahb@coswayne.org) if you are interested or have recommendations for student ministry leaders.

## Serving College Students

COS has a heart to love and serve the college students in the area. As we increasingly move into normalcy, COS desires to develop a strong and consistent college ministry. This is impossible without your support. We need people to host, mentor, provide meals and leadership for the weekly and monthly college outreach events. If you are interested, or you would like to recommend someone to join the COS College Fellowship (CCF) team, please email [franv@coswayne.org](mailto:franv@coswayne.org).

## COS Sports League!

We are looking for individuals to help plan, coach, and participate in a COS sports league that is focused on the young adults in Wayne and Beyond! In the coming months we will be offering pick-up games for kickball, ultimate frisbee, softball, volleyball, basketball, and the like. We also hope to form a church team and enter a local league for softball or volleyball. This will not be possible without the help of the congregation! We need individuals to help coach and organize these events. If you or someone you know is interested in participating or serving young adults through a sports league, please email [deborahb@coswayne.org](mailto:deborahb@coswayne.org).

## HS CLASS OF 2021



A special CONGRATULATIONS to all our graduating seniors! We had a wonderful time celebrating the seniors at the student ministry Graduation Banquet earlier this month. It was a joy to hear from each of the students about what their time at COS has meant to them and how they have grown in the knowledge and fear of the Lord. May the Lord's favor be upon you as you enter into a new season of life and may your faith in God Almighty be the rock upon which you stand.

With Love,  
Fran & Deborah



# Missions Update

by Debra G.

## Global Outreach Strategy

*To summon the nations, through holistic discipleship, to worship the One true God with us.* That statement captures my heart. It reminds me of who God is, the purpose of life and the countless lives that are in unreached people groups that have yet to hear the Good News of Jesus. I'm excited that we have developed this as the mission statement for Global Outreach at COS.

We are building momentum as we share more outcomes from the strategic review process of where God is leading us as a church. Last fall, during a 6-week sermon series, we shared the above mission statement, the five values of missions (God-centered, prayer-dependent, joyfully-surrendered, intentionally-focused and fully-engaged), and the Scriptures that guide them. You can listen to the series again [here](#). On Vision Day, elder Dave Morra shared where we are in the process of refreshing, renewing and refining the strategy for missions relevant in today's context. Click here to [watch the video](#). On the 4th of July weekend, former COS pastor Jackson Crum will be sharing with us about how God used COS to develop his heart for missions. All of this and more are building towards the targeted rollout of the updated strategy in October. As the summer progresses into fall, keep praying for us as we develop and finalize the plans.

## Reach International Yard Sale Update

Moving to a different country is not easy, even if it's for a happy reason like being with family, an education or a new job. It can take years to connect and make friends, learn the language, the culture and how and where to get things done. As followers of Jesus, we want to welcome those that are in this transition and support them as they navigate learning all these things while sharing the love of Jesus. ReachInternational is the COS ministry to the diaspora community in our area. There are many ways that we as a church do this especially through our English as a Second Language program, and our annual yard sale for international students.



Last fall we didn't hold the yard sale and very few, if any new international students enrolled in universities for the semester. During the winter/spring semester some students came and we were able to meet their needs by matching them with families with furniture to donate. Little did we know at the time that meeting this need on a smaller scale would provide a great opportunity to build relationships. One of our ReachInternational volunteers connected with an international student, took them to view the furniture and organized the delivery. This offered the opportunity for the volunteer to develop a friendship with the student and to spend more time together over coffee, ice cream and other activities. We met the student's physical needs as well as made connections during a time when it was really hard to meet people.

This fall there are still a lot of unknowns for new international students. We want to be able to meet their needs as they arise. However, we won't be holding a yard sale. Instead, we will follow the model we have been using this year to match furniture with student



needs. We will need more volunteers to make this happen as well as donations and people for delivery. We already know of 3 students that have current needs for furniture. In addition, we'll be partnering with current and former students to plan social activities and professional development workshops for international students. We need volunteers to plan out all of the details to make these events occur.

Would you join ReachInternational in helping us support the diaspora community around us? There are many ways to get involved. If you can help with the furniture matching, donations, delivery, loaning a vehicle or connecting with a student, please fill out this [form](#).

If you want to get involved in planning social events, professional development workshops or serving in our English as a Second Language Program, contact [reachinternational@coswayne.org](mailto:reachinternational@coswayne.org).

God has uniquely placed our church in a diverse area filled with universities and international companies. Join us in welcoming the internationals that have moved here.

## Announcements

### 4th of July - No Kids or Student Sunday Classes

All Student and Children's Sunday classes will be suspended on July 4th. As always, the nursery will be open during both 9 & 10:30am services.

### Corner Café Re-Opening

Calling all coffee drinkers! The Corner Café will re-open on Sunday, July 11 for your caffeinated (and decaffeinated) pleasure. The selection will be the same as before including light, medium, dark and decaffeinated roasts, coffee syrups, hot chocolate, and regular and decaffeinated teas.

We are also seeking volunteers who will greet people in the Corner Café and disinfect the surfaces and touchpoints periodically. If interested in serving on the Corner Café team, please contact James Mazzone at [jamesm@coswayne.org](mailto:jamesm@coswayne.org).

### Mask Update

As of June 28 the mask requirement will be lifted for all congregants of all ages. Feel free to continue to wear masks if that is most comfortable for you (and your family).



#### Community Groups

You aren't meant to do life alone... Get connected to a Community Group to start building relationships, growing in your faith and getting equipped to handle life together!

#### Text Messaging

Please note this change to Church of the Saviour's text messages for campus information: Future notices will come from 833-744-9334 (no longer 313131).

#### Questions & Feedback

We welcome and encourage all inquiries: [info@coswayne.org](mailto:info@coswayne.org).