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3rd Annual "NEST Camp" with Fletcher Youth Group

As this article is being written, the 3rd Annual NEST Camp is in progress for four consecutive Monday evenings that run through the month of July. Some of our NEST Kids are returning for the third time; some for the second time and others are coming for the first time. Children range from preschool through middle school ages, and

all of them enjoy their time spent at NEST Camp. Each year, planned programs include outdoor recreational activities, meals prepared by church members, hands-on craft activities, music and inspiring faith lessons taught by the Fletcher Youth Group members. This outreach has an amazing

impact on each child who takes part in this camp. It is so apparent that NEST Camp is filled with compassion and love for the youth in our community. Thank you, Fletcher Baptist Church, for the 3rd Annual NEST Camp—a wonderful blessing.



14 EXPERIENCE *UPLANDS REACH* CAMPS



Fourteen NEST Kids had a first-time ever opportunity when they attended camps at Uplands Reach, a Christian conference center in the beautiful mountains of North Carolina. Seven older NEST Kids attended the Immersion Teen Conference for 3 days and nights in June. It was an exciting time as The NEST Alliance van was loaded with kids, luggage, sleeping bags, pillows and all necessities. For five days in July, seven younger NEST Kids enrolled in the Junior Camp, a day camp for 1st through 6th grade students. Both camps were filled with meeting new people, immersion into faith-filled messages, fun activities, and lasting memories. We are grateful for all donations and support that made these life-strengthening camping experiences possible.

3RD ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT UPDATE

Thank you sponsors!!!



85 Golfers gather for information prior to the shotgun start at Mountain Aire Golf Club June 18th.

The NEST Alliance expresses our gratitude for...

- Almost \$7000.00 in proceeds to be set aside for Roots and Wings long-range vision.
- 85 golfers who participated in a Captain's Choice Round of Golf.
- All sponsorships, prize donations, volunteers and Mountain Aire Golf Club staff.
- Our Sponsors who helped make this tournament a reality (listed below):

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For all the blessings that have been...

Thanks.

To all the blessings that shall be...

Yes!



The NEST Alliance directors (in pink) and volunteers (in green) are definitely happy, excited and thankful for a great golf day!

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NEST KIDS ENJOY MONDAYS at the PARK

NEST Leaders and NEST Kids met at the West Jefferson Park for our regular Monday meetings on June 13th and 20th. Our time spent together was complete with fun, good food, time to relax together and enjoy beautiful June weather. During the past six years with The NEST Kids Program, we have enjoyed the different seasons of the year from the perspective of each NEST Kid. We witness many changes in the children as they grow from year to year. Pictured at the right are some of the children in our younger group. One of those pictured will enter pre-school this coming school year and the others are in elementary school. Don't you love the wonder of childhood? Shoes kicked off, bare feet in the air—"just a' swinging." One of our NEST leaders noted the shape of a cross made by the swing and tree in the picture.



"When I approach a child, he inspires in me two sentiments: tenderness for what he is, and respect for what he may become."
Louis Pasteur

"We usually associate "wonder" with childhood. Once we grow up, we become responsible, objective adults who have no room for wonder. Yet Jesus said, "Unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven" (Matt. 18:3).

Quoted in A Sacred Sense and recorded in The NEST Twig Collection

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