



# Carolina Cross Connection

# General Info

The summer of 2011 will be the twenty-fourth for Carolina Cross Connection — a Christian outreach ministry for youth and adults. Individuals and youth groups from Christian churches will come together as a community to help meet the various needs of people in the southern Piedmont and Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina.

The project will be held at five locations throughout western North Carolina: Camp Carolwood, Camp Loy White, Camp McCall, Joshua Youth Camp, and West Wilkes Middle School. There will be four camp weeks at each of these camps in 2011: June 19 - 25, July 3 - 9, July 17 - 23, and July 31 - August 6.

The three main objectives of Carolina Cross Connection are:

- To bring youth and adults together to form a Christian community for the purpose of serving God and better knowing our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.
- To spread the love of Christ in the larger community through service to people in need.
- To provide opportunities for youth to practice leadership skills, witness to their faith, and grow in spiritual maturity.

During a week at Carolina Cross Connection, youth and adults from all around the country come together to form a Christian community, centered on Jesus Christ. These volunteers form Camper Mission Groups, teams of 5 to 7 campers that will go out each day of the week to work on projects scheduled and planned by the CCC staff. These projects will help make life more pleasant for someone in need, and may include light home repair, painting, cleaning up yards, and always sharing love with the people for whom we work. In the evenings, campers will return to camp to enjoy recreation, sharing, fellowship time, singing, skits, campfires, and worship programs led by the camp staff. A week at CCC provides an opportunity for youth and adults to share the love of Christ with each other and with others in the community.

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# Carolina Cross Connection Facts & Plans

## 2010 Facts

- 1,274 youth and adult volunteers from North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Virginia attended Carolina Cross Connection (CCC) in 2010.
- Four camp weeks were held at five camp locations: Camp Carolwood near Lenoir, Camp Loy White in Casar, Camp McCall in Bostic, Joshua Youth Camp in Albemarle, and West Wilkes Middle School in Wilkesboro.
- Approximately 695 homes were worked on and repaired in 21 North Carolina counties, including Alexander, Alleghany, Anson, Ashe, Avery, Burke, Cabarrus, Caldwell, Catawba, Cleveland, Gaston, Lincoln, McDowell, Montgomery, Rowan, Rutherford, Stanly, Surry, Union, Watauga, and Wilkes.
- Of 47 high school and college-aged young people applicants, CCC formed its summer staff of 38 young people. They were hired to operate our five camp locations for the summer. The following areas were represented by staff people: Asheboro, NC; Belmont, NC; Burlington, NC; Charlotte, NC; Elon, NC; Greensboro, NC; Hickory, NC; Indian Trail, NC; Kannapolis, NC; Katy, TX; Little Rock, AR; Mooresville, NC; Monroe, NC; Oxford, NC; Mount Holly, NC; New Bern, NC; Pleasant Garden, NC; Ramseur, NC; Reidsville, NC; Rock Hill, SC; Rocky Mount, NC; Salisbury, NC; Summerfield, NC; Troutman, NC; Wade, NC; Weddington, NC; Winston-Salem, NC
- The volunteer groups attending CCC represented United Methodist, Church of the United Brethren in Christ, Quaker, and the United Church of Christ denominations and non-denominational community churches. In past years, CCC has also had participants representing Baptist, Lutheran, Catholic, and Presbyterian churches.
- CCC completed its 2009-2010 Tool Campaign goal, which raised all the tools needed to operate so that attending groups did not have to bring tools with them to camp.
- CCC has now taken in over 23,00 campers during its twenty-three summers of existence. CCC has assisted 13,460 needy families in western North Carolina.
- At the CCC Summer Celebration, following the close of camp for the 2010 season, a large number of youth and adults converged on Lincolnton, NC to give thanks for and celebrate all that was accomplished during the summer. The crowd at the Lincoln County Citizen's Center was estimated at more than 500.

## 2011 Plans

- Carolina Cross Connection plans to operate our current service project program for four camp weeks at each of five locations in North Carolina. These will include Camp Carolwood near Lenoir, Camp Loy White in Casar, Camp McCall in Bostic, Joshua Youth Camp in Albemarle, and West Wilkes Middle School in Wilkesboro.
- 1300+ campers are projected from North Carolina, South Carolina, Delaware, Georgia, Florida, Maryland, and Virginia.
- CCC will hire 37 quality staff persons. All staff positions will be filled by March 1.
- 700+ families will be aided and ministered to through the ministry of CCC.
- Emphasis will be heightened on fund-raising and soliciting donations to cover project materials. We will continue to plan and execute fun, exciting fund-raising ideas, with the hope of getting more churches, individuals and denominations involved. We want to help create a mindset for supporting missions, both locally and globally.
- Even greater publicity and exposure will be sought for the ministry. We want to create a real knowledge of the ministry of CCC in the areas where we work, and throughout this region of the country.
- CCC hopes to attain greater diversity (ethnicity, Christian denominations) in the makeup of our camp communities, staff, administration, and Board of Directors.
- CCC will improve relations and heighten awareness in the counties where we work through greater interaction with our contact persons, camp caretakers, community leaders, churches, and the media.
- CCC will recruit new churches to attend camp this summer, reaching out to a wide range of denominations.
- CCC is investigating new opportunities for growth and expansion, pursuing new areas to offer our traditional summer home repair ministry, Regional Impact Days, urban ministry, and other possibilities for 2011 and beyond.
- After a successful "trial run" last summer, CCC plans to hold a full-blown College Week mission experience.