

Loved. Known. Sent.



Parent Info Packet | 2021-2022



Our Mission

We partner with families to raise up a generation of disciples who love God, love each other, and love our world by reaching students with the gospel, growing students to maturity in Christ, and sending students to live life on mission.

Our DNA

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We help students discover they are fully ***loved*** and fully ***known*** by a good God who created them to find their identity and purpose in Him. We also awaken students to the truth that they are ***sent*** by our good God to show His love to the world.

MERCY CHURCH VALUES

Because of Christ,

We Keep the Gospel at the Center

- We emphasize heart transformation over behavior modification.
- We prepare students to make a commitment to Christ, feed themselves spiritually, and live out their faith.

We Expect God to Change a Life Today

- We approach every gathering, event, and training with a holy expectation that our Lord through the Holy Spirit will change students, parents, and ministry team members for His glory.

We Send God's People to All People

- We encourage students to have gospel conversations with those in their spheres of influence and to live on mission.
- We treat every aspect of the student ministry as a leadership laboratory for developing student leaders.

We Help People Take Their Next Step as Disciples of Jesus

- We focus on building Christ-centered relationships with students for the purpose of discipleship.
- We work together with parents to create spiritual growth plans for each student.

We Pursue Multicultural Unity Under The Name of Jesus

- We create a safe space for our diverse community to process their experiences so as to build trust, understanding, and vulnerability.
- We embrace and celebrate the diverse expressions of the image of God in as far as it aligns with the gospel.

OUR STRATEGY

When we meet in small and large groups, our goal is to:

- **Reach** students with the gospel and help them develop a faith of their own in Jesus

**Invite them into a relationship*

"...but in your hearts, regard Christ the Lord as holy, ready at any time to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you." - 1 Peter 3:15

- **Grow** students to maturity in Christ

**Challenge them*

"We proclaim Him, warning and teaching everyone with all wisdom so that we may present everyone mature in Christ." - Colossians 1:28

- **Send** students to live life on mission.

**Let them lead*

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." - Matthew 28:19-20

PARENT RESOURCES AND COMMUNICATION

- Weekly One
- Weekly Emails
- Books, Articles, and Other Resources

MINISTRY TEAM

We have a dedicated team of church members passionate about coming alongside you to disciple the next generation. These leaders facilitate small group discussions, follow up with students throughout the week, attend some of the student's extracurricular activities, and invite students into their lives because discipleship is caught more than taught.

STUDENT DIRECTOR

Brett Bouldin is the Student Director at Mercy Church. He is from Indian Trail, North Carolina and he started following Jesus when he was 19 years old. He graduated from UNC Charlotte in 2018 with a Marketing degree, and during his time there he felt the Lord calling him to vocational ministry, so he joined Mercy Church's staff as a College Resident from 2019-2021. He is married to Marlee, who is an Oncology Nurse at Atrium in Charlotte. Both Brett and Marlee have a heart for discipleship, evangelism, and missions, and they are passionate about helping both you and your student(s) love Jesus more!

If you need to get in touch with Brett, here is his contact info:

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CURRICULUM

We strive to bring a diversity of Gospel-Centered teachings that will both challenge and equip your students to pursue Jesus with their whole lives.



Beginning in 2022, we will begin **The Gospel Project** curriculum. The Gospel Project is a chronological bible study that celebrates the redemptive plan that is unfolded throughout the scriptures.

In going through this curriculum, students will have a more comprehensive view of the Bible, the Gospel, and of God. Furthermore, they will be challenged to make their faith their own and to make disciples who make disciples!

For more information on The Gospel Project, visit www.gospelproject.com

SUMMER CAMP

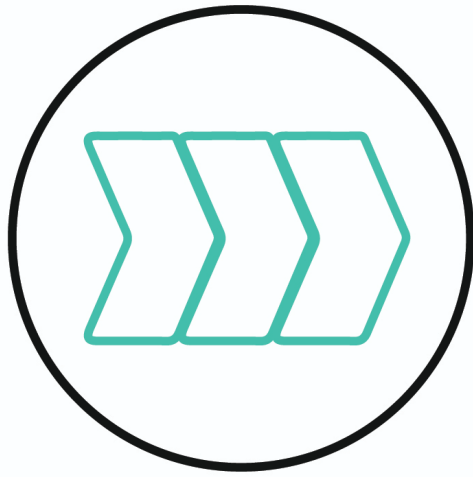


For summer camp, we attend **MFuge at Ridgecrest Conference Center in Black Mountain, NC**. During this camp, students have an incredible week of fun together, while growing in their walks with Jesus.

Here are some of the things to expect in a typical day at MFuge:

- Worship
- Bible Study
- Ministry/Mission Sites
- Hangtime
- Church Group Time
- Nightlife

To learn more about MFuge, go to www.fugecamps.com/mfuge/



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