

PowerUP WorkTeam

Summer Outline



"I saw and experienced God in so many ways this week... What a fabulous experience!" ~PowerUP participant



... Overview of UrbanPromise...

Our Vision is to be a community in Christ of servant leadership and transformation, seeking a full life for all involved: urban youth, families, volunteers and staff in the neighborhoods of our city.

The mission of UrbanPromise Wilmington is to equip children and young adults through Christ with the skills necessary for academic achievement, life management, personal growth and servant leadership.

We meet these things through after school programs, summer camps, a job-training program, an elementary school, a high school, and many other ways.

Dictionary of UrbanPromise Wilmington Lingo

Camps -> 6 across the city (summer and school year) Grades 1-5: Victory, Freedom, Promise, Hope Grades 6-8: Harmony, Amen

PowerUP -> name that we've given to our work team experience

StreetLeaders (R) -> our job training program, serve as teenage counselors for our camps. Panel will be a chance for you to get to hear their stories one evening of the week

Interns -> College age young adults who spend 7 weeks in the summer or a full school year, serving in the ministry, and living in the community in one of our staff houses



How You Will Spend Your Week:

Each group spends approximately half of each day working with children in our camps. They will assist our staff by:

- Helping teachers run classes (Art, Bible, Rec, Zany Brainy)
- Leading songs; games, skits, and other program components along side our interns and StreetLeaders

The afternoon will be spent in various physical labor projects. These projects vary considerably and may include the following:

- Light building renovations
- Building maintenance & landscaping
- Neighborhood cleanup projects with the city of Wilmington

The week will also include:

- Worship with UrbanPromise staff
- Morning devotions with an UrbanPromise staff member, and evening devotions with your group
- Panel discussion with some of our teens to increase awareness of urban issues
- Field trip day, spending the entire day with the kids (typically on Friday) on a variety of trips

"I came to serve but was blessed, challenged and taught. An intern and a StreetLeader were constant reminders of faith to me. May God and the Holy Spirit continue to bless their lives and all they lead."

PowerUP participant

For more information about scheduling a PowerUP WorkTeam trip or any questions, please contact:

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WorkTeam Fee: \$300/person (\$25/person deposit is required to hold your spot)

Fees cover the costs the ministry incurs to host teams (housing, showers, supplies, staffing, etc) as well as to fund the ministry components your group will be working with.





10 things to know about your week with UrbanPromise

- Your time is a gift to us, and we appreciate each thing you do; putting in a new sidewalk, picking up the trash, coloring with a kid, or praying with us.
- 2. You will be sleeping on the floor; bring what you need to be comfortable.
- Showers in the afternoon are at the YMCA; bring shower shoes and be prepared to walk 2 blocks (5 minute walk)
- At camp, kids are looking up to you. Be ready to set a positive example.
- 5. We do not have the staff and tools to be able to handle the food; bring whatever food, tools and supplies you will want. Think easy breakfast, bagged lunches, and a time to cook with your group.
- 6. Some times the best moments are those we sit and talk with one another. Be in the moment and enjoy your time with those around you!
- 7. Look forward to those 10-minute car rides when you're driving your crew to camps or work projects. It's a great time to ask how things are going!
- 8. Supplies will be provided for work projects. If you have ideas for a larger project you would like to tackle, communicate with the Work Team director your hopes and feel free to bring the funds or materials to complete the work.
- 9. A couple of evenings will be free. Bring games or look up places to see.
- 10. God is always moving around you. Keep your eyes open and share what you see!

UrbanPromise WorkTeam Sample of what your week will look like

