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PLEASE PASS ME ON:

- Sunday school teachers
- Priest
- Youth workers
- Interested parents

Quebec Lodge Camp



QUEBEC LODGE CAMP A Great Place To Be This Summer!

Quebec Lodge Camp is located in the Eastern Townships on Lake Massawippi. The camp was founded in 1943 and is owned and operated by the Anglican Diocese of Quebec. The camp welcomes children of all church affiliations.

Junior Camps:

Quebec Lodge offers two Junior Camps for children ages 6 to 11. The program involves a variety of sports and crafts along with swimming and boating. Each evening begins with a special activity such as a carnival, talent show or wide game and ends with a camp fire.

The First Junior Camp runs from July 13-July 19.

The Second Junior Camp runs from August 3 to August 9.

Senior Camp:

Quebec Lodge also offers Senior Camps for ages 10-13. These sessions last two weeks. The program involves a variety of sports and crafts along with swimming and boating. Each evening there is a special activity such as a carnival, talent show, camp fire or wide game. At Senior Camps each camper selects one "Option" which is an activity in which they will receive intensive instruction. These options include horseback riding, sailing, crafts, wood working, climbing wall and producing a camp newspaper.

The First Senior Camp runs from June 29 to July 12.

For all programs:

All the programs at Quebec Lodge include a daily Bible Study and Chapel. The Bible Studies normally take place after lunch and last between ten and fifteen minutes. Chapel lasts between forty-five minutes and one hour. It is recognized that many of the campers do not attend church regularly and come from various backgrounds, consequently chapel times are ecumenical and include lots of action songs and drama.

More information can be found at www.quebeclodge.com.

For registration forms contact the office
at quebeclodge@accglobal.net
or by calling 819/842-2286.

Bishop's Lenten Project

The 2003 Bishop's Lenten Project focused on Estera Cernat's ministry with Gypsy families and orphanages in Romania. We thank all the congregations that joined in promoting this project which was so kindly endorsed by our Archbishop.

To date the Bishop's Lenten Project has collected \$1,725.28 towards ministry with Gypsy families and orphanages in Romania.

An E-mail from Romania

----- Original Message -----

From: Cernat, Estera

To: Crosstalk Ministries

Sent: Wednesday, April 02, 2003 3:28 PM

Subject: work!

Dear Val!

Thank you so very much for your e-mail! It is nothing new to hear that you are busy. That's the way I know you and I will always remember Val being busy and running in all corners. I guess you do not have the word walk in your dictionary. It has been replaced by the word run.

We have been working a lot recently and also the fact with my brother being recruited for Iraq war it took me in a way the energy and not just energy. I tried to visit more my sister in law and spent more time with their kids, and on the top of that continue to go almost weekly to the clubs. Right now, thanks to God's goodness are 18 clubs we go almost weekly.

As for gypsies. There are couple of things I remember I forgot to mention them to you about them. By the age of 12 or latest 13 most of gypsies get married. It is a way of

saying get married ,they just get to stay together with the ones they love. There are gypsies ladies about my age and they are already grandma. Funny, but that is gypsies.

One thing that it shocked me recently—and not just me about gypsies. They sell their babies for almost nothing. On TV it has been shown, also in radio and newspaper were shown pictures. A baby is sold for \$4000 and a 3 month baby with \$3500. It is very well known that the older ones (from 3 years up are used to be sent to beg money and if they do not make enough they will get punished and even left into the streets. This shows us how much work is to be done among gypsies. As far as our work among them—in the last couple of weeks I started to look for practical ideas for teaching gypsies and orphans and Romanians to do baskets lamps or any kind of things. That idea came up into my mind thanks to the magazines I saw while I was at your place.

To be honest are a little bit discouraged in the work among gypsies—we see so many needs (supplies, visual aids, food, medicines) and no mission involved in any of this project. I heard in Bucharest is a mission that works with gypsies in Bucharest, but that is all I know so far.

Thank you for thinking about them and know that your help will make a difference in their lives for there is no church working with them or helping them in any way and also no mission doing that.



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Holy Spirit Come
A Pentecost Drama

This is a chancel drama suitable for intergenerational worship. For a script copy contact Valerie Taylor

**Titles available in
“Best of Blessings”**

The following are some suggested titles from the Blessings Series for use during the Pentecost Season:

Kids Pray, Kids Praise

Singing, dancing, video & other activities exploring the place of prayer and praise in daily life

God's Creation & Us

Activities to encourage participants to respond to environmental crisis

Sharing My Light

24 hour fellowship for preteens aged 10–12

A Journey in Faith

A liturgy for all ages for Trinity Sunday

If you would like to receive a copy of any of these programs for use in your parish, contact Valerie Taylor and she will arrange to send you a package.



**After Operation Christmas Child
Helping Children All Year Round**
Samaritan's Purse



Jesus said: “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these” (Matthew 19:14, NIV).

Samaritan's Purse strives to follow His example, as we minister to the physical and spiritual needs of children—through Operation Christmas Child and many other projects. Millions of the world's children struggle for survival against poverty, hunger, violence, sickness, exploitation, and abuse. They need help, not just at Christmas, but all year round. In more than 100 countries worldwide, our projects are providing hurting children with food, clothing, shelter, medical care, education, and most important of all, an opportunity to experience Jesus Christ

We need your prayers and support all year round.

- Children's Heart Project: In developing nations and crisis areas, children with heart defects often face premature death. Each year, Samaritan's Purse brings dozens of children to North America for life-giving heart surgery.
- Refugees: We have supplied food, shelter, and other aid to children fleeing their homes from war in Sudan, Afghanistan, and the Balkans.

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Regional Resource Libraries

We are always updating these resources with new CD's, videos and curriculum samples.

Why not call your regional representative for a listing?

New Video Resources

Here is a list of new videos available from our Regional Resource Libraries



*Prince of Egypt
(Laurentians)*

*Jacob's Gift
(City)*

*Easter Promise
(West Island)*

*Discovering the Kingdom
(West Island)*

*Bible Discovery
(Townships)*



Curriculum Sample Kits

Kidstuff recently added curriculum sample kits from Gospel Light to each of our resource libraries. We would be willing to organize an Ecumenical Workshop led by a representative from Gospel Light.

Would you be interested?

Call or e-mail a Kidstuff member to let us know.

Please note: - - - - - Eastern Townships resources contact St. Paul's, Knowlton (this area is still in need of a regional representative. If you would like to volunteer to fill this role in your region, please contact Valerie Taylor).

After Operation Christmas Child

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- Feeding Programs: Nourishing meals help fight starvation and malnutrition for thousands of hungry children in Latin America, Eastern Europe, Africa, and Asia.
- Orphan Care: Children without anyone to care for them have found loving Christian “parents,” warm beds, food, clothing, and medicine at homes we support all across the globe.
- Street Children: Our support enables local ministries to provide hot meals and other assistance to homeless children in impoverished nations such as Kenya, Mexico, Mongolia, and Vietnam.
- Schools: Children in Nicaragua, Ethiopia, India, Kosovo, Afghanistan, and Vietnam are able to attend classes as we have constructed new schoolhouses and provided other educational aid.
- Disabled Children: Around the world, children with mental and physical handicaps are neglected and cast aside. We help local ministries care for these precious little one in Albania, Kenya, South Africa, and other countries.
- AIDS Victims: We support Christian homes in Africa, Eastern Europe, and Southeast Asia for AIDS orphans and children with HIV/AIDS.

Samaritan's Purse

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Feedback

Do you need ideas for some new activities? Do you have some suggestions that you would like to make? Do you have any questions about Children's Ministry? Would you like to share some of your stories? We'd like to hear from you! **Write to us at: Kidstuff, 1444 Union Avenue, Montreal, QC H3A 2B8, or by e-mail: ctm@cam.org**

InSpiritus 2003 Christian Creative Arts Camp



~ Music ~ Visual Arts ~ Dance ~
~ Theatre ~ Creative Writing ~
~ Swimming ~ Outings ~ Games ~ Bible ~



Session I :
June 30 to July 18
Session II:
July 21 to August 8

Monday to Friday
9:00 AM to 4:30 PM*

* extended care available
8:00 AM-9:00 AM & 4:30 PM-5:30 PM

Église Madison Baptist Church
(6297 Monkland & Madison)

Children 5 to 12 years
Small groups & excellent staff

Cost:
***225\$ (before May 31)**
***255\$ (after June 1)**

(per three-week session)
*** Bursaries available**
Deposit of 50\$ for registration

Information: (514) 485-7743



New Regional Representative

Debbie Shane grew up in Dorval, and started going to The Church of the Resurrection in 1986.

After a few years as a parishioner at the Church of the Resurrection she was approached by the Sunday School Coordinator to volunteer her time and talent as a Sunday School teacher—and so she started teaching Sunday School. She is currently the Sunday School Coordinator at the Church of the Resurrection (for the second time). In addition to her regular worship and coordination of the Sunday School Programme at her local Church, Debbie also volunteers some of her spare time as a Youth Group Coordinator for the Parish. She enjoys working with children and youth.

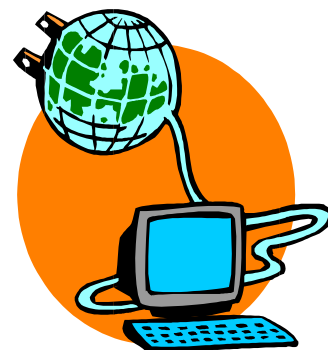
When Debbie does find some spare time for herself, she enjoys reading, drawing and she loves to play with her cats. She loves animals (especially cats).

Debbie has been married for 21 years and has a 14 year old daughter—who knows—her 14 year old daughter may soon begin helping out the Sunday School Coordinator as a Sunday School Teacher!

Thank you Debbie for taking on the task of being the new Kidstuff Regional Representative for the West Island.

We're on the Web!

Visit us at:
www.montreal.anglican.org/kidstuff



Surfer's Corner

Website Links

Online fun: 10 websites that offer fun activities as well as solid Christian Content

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| <p>1. Guideposts For Kids
(www.gp4k.com)
The site covers school, friends, peer pressure, prayer, games, jokes, and provides a place to chat with other Christian kids. Ages 8-12.</p> | <p>6. Gospel Communication's Kid's Corner
(http://www.gci.gospelcom.net/kci/)
Kids learn Bible truths through games, mazes, and other activities. Ages 2-10.</p> |
| <p>2. Guideposts For Teens
(www.gp4t.com)
Like the site for younger kids, this one covers the basics of a young teen's life—friends, school, sports, and dating—from a faith perspective. It also includes interactive elements like contests and surveys. Ages 9-14.</p> | <p>7. Guide
(www.guidemagazine.org)
A site just for girls that offers a fun way to experience Jesus Christ. There is an ongoing story, chat areas, even drawing lessons! Ages 8-14.</p> |
| <p>3. ABDA Acts Art and Publishing
(www.tne.net.au/abdaacts)
A simple site that offers pictures of favorite Bible stories for kids to print out and colour. The site offers lots of in-depth Bible info, making it a perfect tool for homeschoolers. Ages 7-15.</p> | <p>8. Christian's Bible Study
(www.childrensbiblestudy.com)
You'll find lively animated Bible stories, as well as word games and puzzles. Kids can ask questions about the Bible and get a personal reply a few days later. There's also a fantastic character development section that helps children understand how the things they do reflect who they are. Ages 5-10.</p> |
| <p>4. Veggie Tales
(www.bigidea.com)
The official site for Veggie Tales info. Contains cute games, stories, and more printable pictures to colour. Ages 4-10.</p> | <p>9. Lightwave
(www.lightwavepublishing.com)
Bible stories, questions and answers, jokes and riddles, and lots of fun science experiments make this site a great boredom buster. Ages 4-10.</p> |
| <p>5. Kid Explorers
(http://christiananswers.net/kids/home.html)
Packed with animal facts, stories, mazes, colouring sheets, videos, and links to other Christian sites, this site helps kids learn more about God by exploring his Creation. It also includes reviews for kids' movies and video games. All ages.</p> | <p>10. Virtual Church Kids
(http://www.virtualchurch.org/kids.htm)
You'll find illustrated Bible stories, music, daily devotional, prayers, and games. The site also explores current events from a Christian perspective. Ages 5-15.</p> |

2003 Calendar of Events



JUNE 2003

- ↪ **June 5th**—Kidstuff core group, dinner meeting 6 pm
- ↪ **June 8th**—Pentecost Sunday
- ↪ **June 21st to August 3rd**—Crosstalk Ministries Day Camps call 484-1414 or email ctm@cam.org to receive info on locations around the Diocese
- ↪ **June 30th—July 18th** Inspiritus Camps



JULY 2003

- ↪ **July 21st to August 8th**—Second Session of Inspiritus Day Camps - call 485-7743 for details



AUGUST 2003

- ↪ **August 10th to 17th**—Crosstalk Ministries Junior Camp (ages 8-12) Contact # (514) 484-1414 or email ctm@cam.org to receive info

Fancy Flip Flops

Footwear trends may come and go, but flip-flops have long reigned as the unofficial shoe of summer. Here's how your kids can make their flips truly hip:

- ✂ Attach small plastic toys, such as plastic goldfish, with a hot glue gun.
- ✂ Wrap the straps with colourful embroidery thread.



- ✂ Tie on beads or jingle bells.
- ✂ Make a smiley face by gluing on a pair of googly eyes and painting your toenails red.



SEPTEMBER 2003

- ↪ **September 1**—Registration for Gretchen Pritchard Workshop available (6 March 2004)
- ↪ **September 4**—Kidstuff Meeting —Core Group



OCTOBER 2003

- ↪ **October 2nd**—Kidstuff Meeting —South Shore Region
- ↪ **October 8th**—Deadline for Advent Newsletter
- ↪ **October 31st**—Saints Alive! Regional Parties: City Region at St. Matthew's, Hampstead Our theme: "St. Francis & the Animals!"



NOVEMBER 2003

- ↪ **November 6th**—City Region Potluck Supper + Gospel Package "Bee" location T.B.A.
- ↪ **November 15th**—Publication of Advent Newsletter
- ↪ **November 15th**—Santa Claus Parade Outreach at Christ Church Cathedral

Crosstalk Ministries Day Camp Schedule 2003

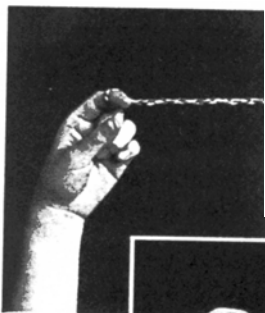
Team #	Parish Training (June 21-June 29)	Residential Training (June 29 - July 5)	Week 1 (July 5- July 13)	Week 2 (July 13 - July 20)	Week 3 (July 20- July 27)	Week 4 (July 27—August 3)
Team 1: QUEBEC	St. Matthew's Hampstead	The Stable	Grace Church, Sutton	St. James Stanbridge East	Grace Church, Arundel	St. Joseph, Brossard
Team 2: QUEBEC	St. James Rosemère	The Stable	St. Michael & All Angels	St. James, Hudson	All Saints, Verdun	
Team 3: MANITOBA	Trinity, St-Bruno	The Stable	St. Aidan's Winnipeg	St. Patrick & St. Jude	St. Margaret's	
Team 4: ONTARIO		The Stable	St. Paul's Dunville, Ont.	St. Thomas Shanty Bay	St. Timothy's	Church of the Resurrection, Valois
Team 5: NEW BRUNSWICK		The Stable	Holy Family, Two Mountains		St-John the Evangelist, Bay du Vin, NB	
Team 6: BRITISH COLUMBIA/ ONTARIO		The Stable	Little Trinity, Toronto	St. John's, Squamish	St. David's, Tawassen	St. Stephen's, Hornby, ON

Friendship Bracelet

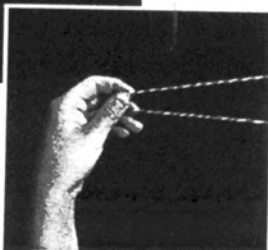
Best friends are often inseparable. To prove to each other that their bond will last, your child and her pal can fill up their arms with a batch of friendship bracelets.

Materials

- 6 24-inch strands of embroidery thread
- Tape



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1. Hold the embroidery thread strands together with the ends matched up, then tie an overhand knot 1 inch from an end. Tape the knot to a tabletop (or anchor it in a closed drawer). Holding the free end, twist the bunch repeatedly in the same direction until it is tightly wound.
2. Pinch the twisted band in the center and fold it in half so that the free end matches up with the knotted end. Release the center, and the band will automatically twist back on itself. Slip the ends through the loop (the pinch point) at the opposite end of the band, tie a knot to secure the bracelet, knot again, and trim the ends.

FunFact

Legend has it that Peace Corps workers first taught Guatemalan children how to make friendship bracelets. Now the bracelets—in bright Guatemalan hues—have made their way back to North America.