# Watts Street Baptist Church Summer Youth Ministry 2025

**FREE!** WSBC Durham, NC

**#1** JUNE 2025

***LOOK! UP IN THE SKY...IT'S A BIRD... IT'S A PLANE...IT'S...***

# The Super Fantastic Summer of 2025!

Soaring off to help with Disaster Relief and Community Service!

Shining the LIGHT of Christ in the darkness!

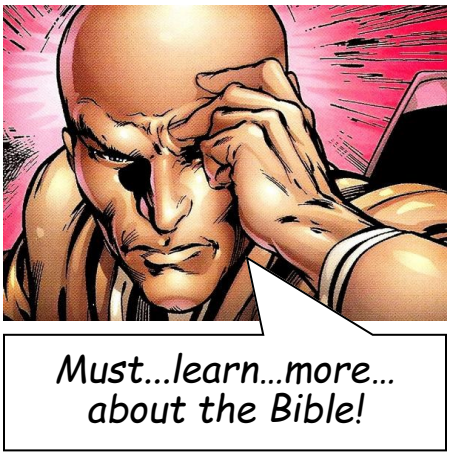
WOW!

Taking a STAND for truth and justice!

HOORAY!!!

Joining forces for FANTASTIC fun and fellowship all summer long!

Using our God-given gifts and abilities for GOOD!




# LOVE THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR MIND...

*"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your MIND..."* Matthew 22:37

## Sunday School

9:45-10:45 a.m.

June 15, 22, 29, July 6—Youth Room

July 13, 20, 27—July Forums (location TBA)

August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31—Youth Room

# JOIN THE TEAM!

*"You are the body of Christ and each one of you is a part of it."* I Corinthians 12:27

## Sunday Night Youth Group Summer 2025 Tour

5:00-7:00 p.m.

On Sunday nights this summer, we'll gather in different homes for a light supper, fellowship, some Super Speed "Minute to Win-It" Challenges, and a short devotion. This summer, our devotional theme is "Heroes of the Faith". We'll learn about some modern day heroes who were inspired by their faith to dedicate their lives to working for peace, justice, and reconciliation in the world.

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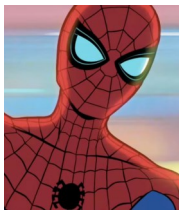
| June 8 | The Wattsies (WSBC) |
| June 15 | Diane Eubanks Hill<br>(supper donated by Fran Langstaff) |
| June 22 | No Youth Group<br>(Missouri trip) |
| June 29 | Anne and Jim Drennan<br>POOL PARTY!<br>5:00-7:30 pm at Croasdaile |
| July 6 | Adam and Katy King |
| July 13 | Jim Arges |
| July 20 | No Youth Group<br>(Hymn Sing/Ice Cream at WSBC) |
| July 27 | Kyle and Valerie Fox |
| August 3 | Ed and Whit Trumbull |
| August 10 | Amy and John Rublein<br>LAKE PARTY! 3:00-7:00 pm |
| August 17 | Welcome Sixth Graders Party<br>(WSBC) |
| August 24 | Youth and Parents Potluck<br>(WSBC) |

*Driving directions sent out though the weekly "Watts Happening!" emails.*

***Remember to sign-up on REALM or contact Kelly so our hosts know how much food to prepare!***



# WITH GREAT POWER COMES GREAT RESPONSIBILITY…

*"From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required…"* Luke 12:48

## Mid-Week Service/Learning Action!

**Saturday, June 14—"NO KINGS" Protest:** 12 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. beginning at CCB Plaza (201 Corcoran St.) and including a short march to Durham Central Park. NO KINGS is a national, non-violent day of action and mass mobilization in response to increasing authoritarian excesses and corruption from our Federal Government – including cracking down on free speech, detaining people for political views, threatening to deport American citizens, and defying the courts. This event is taking place on Flag Day, the same day as the $45 million Military Parade in Washington, DC.

If you would like to participate in this event with church friends, meet at WSBC at 10:30 a.m. to make posters before carpooling to CCB Plaza. Bring a bag lunch, water bottle, and comfortable clothes (for the heat) and walking shoes. Bathroom access and handicap parking will be limited.

**Thursday, June 19—Urban Ministries:** 5:30-7:00 p.m. at 410 Liberty Street (come to the door with the UMD awning). 5-6 youth are needed on the line as we serve the evening meal to 120-150 of our neighbors in need. Bring a hat or be prepared to wear the dreaded hair net! Gloves provided.

**Sunday, June 22 - Saturday, June 28—*Be the Neighbor* (Columbia, MO):** Our team of 29 Middle School and High School youth and adults will spend the week focusing on Disability Justice, Advocacy, and Inclusion. We will learn from scholars and practitioners in disability support programs, work alongside local disability justice advocates, attend local political meetings pertaining to disability rights, develop a critical lens for combating ableism in the church, and spend time alongside young adults with developmental disabilities and older adults with degenerative disabilities. We hope to return better equipped to work toward advocacy and inclusion, crafting a vision for disability justice in our own hearts and church!

**Wednesday, July 2—Diaper Bank of NC:** We'll meet at church at 9 am, travel to the Diaper Bank's headquarters in Hillsborough, wrap diapers from 9:30-11:30 am, walk over to Whit's Frozen Custard for a cool treat, and be back to church by 1 pm! Bring a bag lunch, a water bottle, and some diaper wrappin' energy! (Note: watch for the Diaper Bank's online waiver form in the *Watts Happening!* emails.)

**Tuesday, July 8 - Saturday, July 12—Senior High Disaster Relief Trip in Western NC:** Our team of 26 Senior High youth and adults has been assigned to the Hendersonville Region Site in East Flat Rock, NC. Working with NC Baptists on Mission, we will join the effort to rebuild over 1,000 homes for our neighbors in need across Western NC. We'll also enjoy some outdoor recreation with Green River Adventures!

**Thursday, July 17—Urban Ministries:** 5:30-7:00 p.m. at 410 Liberty Street (come to the door with the UMD awning). 5-6 youth are needed on the line as we serve the evening meal to 120-150 of our neighbors in need. Bring a hat or be prepared to wear the dreaded hair net! Gloves provided.

**Thursday, July 24—Reality Ministries** celebrates people of all abilities and truly reflects the joy of the Kin-dom of God! We'll meet at WSBC at 10 am, prepare/serve lunch with the Morning Mingle crowd (30-40 people), and be back to WSBC by 1:30 pm.

**Thursday, July 31—Catawba Trail Farm**, 9:00-11:00 a.m. at 2080 Sawmill Creek Pkwy. Come volunteer on the farm and learn about this fascinating initiative that combines faith, community, racial justice, creation care, education, history, food distribution, and more! Bring work gloves, closed toe shoes, hat, sunscreen, bug spray, and water bottle.

**Wednesday, August 6—Preparation for Youth-led Worship**, 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. We'll gather to work on songs, readings, prayers, and reflections for the youth-led worship service on August 10.

**Thursday, August 21—Urban Ministries:** 5:30-7:00 p.m. at 410 Liberty Street (come to the door with the UMD awning). 5-6 youth are needed on the line as we serve the evening meal to 120-150 of our neighbors in need. Bring a hat or be prepared to wear the dreaded hair net! Gloves provided.

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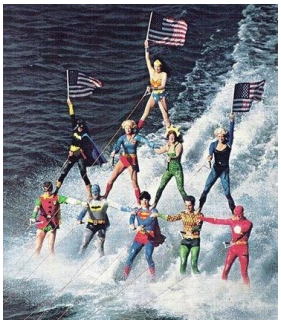
## YOUTH-LED WORSHIP SERVICE

**Sunday, August 10**

11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary (Youth meet at 9 am)

This is our opportunity to thank God for the Super Fantastic summer of 2025 and to share with our church family about our experiences together.
**Mark your calendars**…we'd like to have EVERYONE in the youth group take part on this day!!!



## LAKE PARTY!

**Sunday, August 10**

After leading the worship service that morning, we'll cool off and relax with a Lake Party, hosted by the Rublein family. The party will be from 3:00-7:00 pm with a light supper included. Watch your "Watts Happening!" emails for carpooling info and other details.

## WELCOME SIXTH GRADERS PARTY!

**Sunday, August 17**

5:00-7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Behold…the **Class of 2032**?!? Come out and let's welcome the next generation of WSBC youth group super-peeps!

## YOUTH AND PARENTS POTLUCK AND SYMPOSIUM

**Sunday, August 24**

5:00-7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Bring the fam and your favorite dish and we'll kick off a new year of youth ministry at WSBC!

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# 2025 SUMMER YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS

**Watts Street Baptist Church**

Questions? Contact Kelly Sasser at 919-475-4335 or kelly@wattsstreet.org

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