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Two Dates

**Bring your youth group to
"Hope for the Hood" 2012
June 24-July 1, 2012**

- "Hope for the Hood" is a **Local Church based** urban ministry (non para-church)
- Experience Chicago's inner-city for a week of intense ministry.
- Learn from and work with people who were born and raised in the inner-city.
- Work with gang members and kids who are very open to the gospel.
- Touch the lives of hurting and lonely homeless and street people.
- Watch God change **Your** life!



Hope for the Hood 2012 is a week long ministry that will center around training and equipping youth and adults to build loving relationships with people of another race and culture, in order to reach them for Christ. We invite high school and college students from across the U.S. to come to the mission field of Chicago to be involved in a cultural experience right here in the US that is in great need of evangelism and outreach.

Qualifications

- * *Must have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.*
- * *Must be flexible and teachable.*
- * *A heart for reaching the Lost.*
- * *Must be willing to do whatever is asked of you in regards to ministry.*



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Loving God... and Loving People!



"Hope for the Hood" 2012

*Hope for the Hood
Summer Urban Missions*

June 24-July 1, 2012

Hope for the Hood's focus is on training and equipping young adults to build loving relationships with people of another race and culture in order to reach them for Christ.



The students and their youth leaders will be housed here in the city, and spend their days in several inner city communities of Chicago, working with various churches, and conducting a number of outreach activities designed to reach people with the Gospel, and develop lasting relationships.



As part of the outreach, each participant will receive 10 hours of training in urban culture and the most effective ways to reach people cross-culturally.

Your Ministry Week

Monday through **Friday** the daytime community outreaches can include:

- Backyard Bible clubs conducted throughout the West-side of Chicago, in conjunction with other churches.
- Evangelistic community clean-ups
- 3-on-3 basketball tournaments with gang members and other teens.
- The evening rallies are geared to strengthen and encourage the Youth

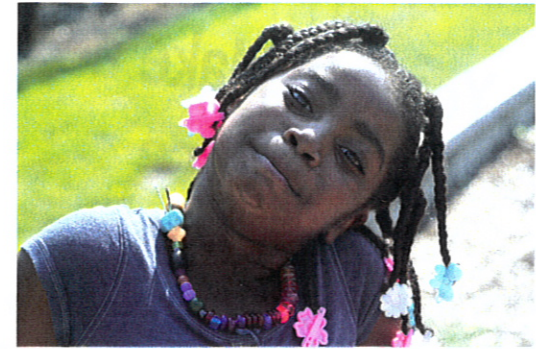
The weekend outreaches can also include:

- Outreaches set up by different churches.
- Ministry to street people and homeless
- Morning services at New Hope or one of the host churches.
- Community Picnics.

Why the Inner city?

The inner city of Chicago has some of the neediest communities in the country. It has an extremely high concentration of poverty. There is an abundance of urban plight, where the love of God is needed to penetrate the darkness.

Over 50% of the community is under the age of 21 and it has the worst high schools in Chicago with an extremely high drop out rate.



The community has the highest reported incidents of teen pregnancy and HIV in the city of Chicago; 50% of the teenage girls become pregnant before the age of 18.

There are thousands of homeless people who live on the streets and in the parks around the West-side.

Though the community is blighted, it is not without hope. Many good churches have faithfully given hope to people in need. New Hope Church has ministered to the needs of people on the west-side since 1989 and is coordinating **Hope for the 'Hood 2012** to make a dramatic impact for the cause of Jesus, throughout the west-side.

Ministry Project

This year H4th will be doing a ministry project to help others who are in more desperate need than we. We will be raising money to do a special project in the poorest nation of the world, Haiti. This will be an exciting opportunity for all of us.