Vacation Bible School Director and Volunteer Positions

**Purpose:** VBS reaches out to children in the church and community with the opportunity to know Jesus’ love for them, to worship Him and to grow in fellowship with new friends and experiences. Games, drama and crafts; as well as a mission project that spreads God’s message and meets physical needs around the world are tools used.

**Responsible to:** Youth and Children’s Ministry leader (Pastor Roggow) and the head of Summer Day Camp (Julie Klopke).

**Job Duties:**
- The VBS director(s) work with Pastor Roggow to choose the curriculum, find and train volunteers, coordinate staff positions and assign responsibilities to coordinate materials, participants, and schedules for the VBS week.
- Individual volunteers take on smaller to larger roles based on interest from leading a major area: drama, recreation, crafts, decorations, snacks, music, registration, group/class leader, to assisting in many of these areas in either preparation or in working with the kids at preschool through 6th grade levels during the week of VBS.

**Time Requirement:** At the level of director, many hours are needed. This position begins in January/February for the following June’s VBS week to review curriculum and set up/fill in the volunteer framework needed for the year. Other jobs vary - with some positions volunteering months or weeks in advance and some just showing up for training and the week of VBS.

**Length of Commitment:** Directorship is one year or season with renewals as desired. Other jobs vary. Some positions require several months or weeks all the way down to part time helpers during the week of VBS (which is usually from 9 am to 12 noon the third week of June.)

**Training Provided:** The director gets guidance from the lead church staff. For other volunteer positions, one might attend a meeting with the team they will be working with, meet for practice sessions (music team), or come to the staff training before VBS week to learn about the curriculum, schedule, mission focus, and get tips on working with kids and getting them excited about all their Savior has done for them.

**Skills/Qualifications:**
- For directorship: first a love for the Lord and His children, also administrative and communication skills are beneficial, as you are working to coordinate a wide range of activities and manage upwards of 100 volunteers.
- If you have a love for the Lord and want to grow children’s faith, there are a multiple areas your skills and enthusiasm can plug into from: registration, publicity, drama, recreation, snack, music, preschool coordinator, group leader, class assistant, nursery helper, decorations, set-up/take down, mission coordinator,…etc.
- Being active in worship and Bible study is a requirement for leadership and teaching positions.

**Benefits to the volunteer:** As a volunteer, you will meet and interact with enthusiastic people of all ages. The joy of the children's singing and excitement will warm your heart and you have the opportunity to make a difference to children in the area (VBS participants) and around the world (mission project) with the love of Christ. It is a great way to meet a wide range of people in a short-term commitment.