

*Where would you like to go?*

Ahhh, the possibilities are endless. Let's start with those we call Bethel's "Global Mission Partners." Here they are at a glance:

**Tanzania.** Bethel is intimately connected to the Maasae Girls Lutheran Secondary School and the Selian Lutheran Hospital. Recently we've agreed to fund an orthopedic therapy ward at the new Arusha Lutheran Medical Center.

**India.** Bethel has helped construct five Christian orphanages in India through the Bethania Kids organization. We're also connected to a church-run Rehabilitation hospital in Kodai-kanal.

**The Philippines.** Bethel fully funds a street program for nearly 100 at risk, homeless teens in Manila. Through Concordia Children's Services we support an adoption orphanage for infants and children who would otherwise have no place to go.

**Los Angeles.** Los Angeles provides a new mission opportunity for us, thanks to the call of Jon and Kristi Coughlin to work in inner city LA. They work as Christian mentors to at-risk middle school students.

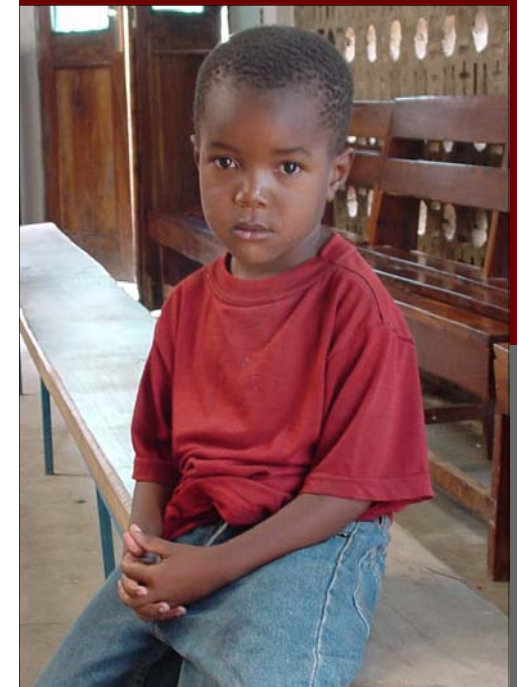
**Ready for a summer that makes a difference?**

**Now is your chance!**



**Summer Mission Immersion**

*For Bethel's college students and young adults*



**Bethel Lutheran Church**  
*Winchester, Virginia*

## Ready for a summer that makes a difference?

Imagine tutoring Maasai girls who, until recently, were not allowed to pursue secondary education.

Imagine leading songs and prayer with boys and girls orphaned by the south Asian tsunami.



Imagine reaching out to lost children in inner city Los Angeles.

Imagine spending the summer in Winchester ... ministering to kids on North Kent Street.

Imagine building homes with Habitat for Humanity or working among the very poor in Appalachia

. Sound impossible? Think again!

Thanks to the new **Summer Mission Immersion Fund**, you can make it happen!

Keep reading to find out how.

### *Summer Mission Immersion Fund*

Young adults are incredibly eager to make a difference. Is that you?

In 2007 a Summer Mission Immersion Fund was established at Bethel to help you do just that. The SMI Fund is designed to encourage college students and young adults to dedicate 1-3 months in ministry with one of our mission partners around the world (or one of your choosing). Because such experiences are financially impossible for some, the SMI Fund will cover most transportation costs and room and board for SMI participants.

### *Why a Summer Mission Immersion?*

Bethel is all about transforming lives ... and a Summer Mission Immersion can do just that! There are other reasons, too:

- The Bible teaches us to take seriously the needs of the poor and disenfranchised (see Isaiah 58:6-8). By committing 1-3 months to God's work around the world you'll have a chance to take God at his word!
- The 3-4 years after high school graduation are unique. Most students are ready to try something new, knowing that they'll enter a more rigid workplace in a few short years. Some are eager to test the waters of a vocation that might include global missions or ministry of one kind or another. Some are simply ready for an adventure.

Participating in a Summer Mission Immersion will give you a chance to do all of the above ... and more!

### *What do I do?*

Hmm. Where to begin? Here are a few steps:

1. Pray for guidance. Consult with parents and friends. Speak with one of our pastors or Bethel's Director of Student Ministry.
2. Based on the information you receive begin to develop your ideal Summer Mission Immersion Plan. Where? How long? What kind of experience?
3. Work with our Student Ministry director to complete the simple application and work out a realistic timeline. In order to make this experience the very best you'll want to complete steps 1-3 by early March of the year you would like to participate.

That's it!

So, are you ready for a summer that makes a difference? What are you waiting for?! Give us a call!

### **Interested? Let us know!**

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