




Take me out to the ballgame AND the swimming pool! Thanks to our friends at Statera, the DUCK kids spent an evening swimming and watching the game. Hot dogs, fireworks, batting practice, and **SWIMMING!** Thanks for a great evening Statera!

Backpacks and paper and markers oh my!



Thanks to North Bible Church, Statera and Microsoft for their GENEROUS donation of school supplies and office supplies for the 2009-2010 school year.

In these tough economic times after school programs are either being cut or fees are being raised to cover rising expenses. Our families will not be able to afford after school care leaving kids at risk.

DID YOU KNOW...

- Violent juvenile crime triples during the hours from 3:00 to 8:00 PM.
- It is during these same hours that children face the most serious danger of becoming victims of crime.^{vii} Unsupervised after-school hours represent a period of significant risk in other arenas as well, including increased risk of substance abuse and early sexual activity.
- Several recent studies have confirmed the relationship between availability of after-school programs and reduced juvenile crime.

Facts Courtesy of the Children's Aid Society

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ADVENTURES IN FAITH AT CAMP

5 boys and 3 girls attended Faith Adventure Camp in Christopher Creek, AZ . These exceptional kids worked very hard during the school year and summer program to earn their spot at camp.

Quotes from camp include "Are we in TEXAS?"

The boys had so much fun fishing that we are currently looking for a place in this old dry desert. Any ideas????



The girls experienced A LOT of rain and mud bogging... which for us city folk it is basically running through the mud! They played a game of tug of war in a mud pit! Lots of muddy clothes to wash but lots of friends, fun and close bonds with other kids.

Boys and girls grew closer to the Lord and learned so much about it creation!

Thank you to all of you that contributed to us this summer, especially those that gave to our Camp fund.



Artwork design: Hayley Mayne



Thirty five children spent the summer on a Rainforest Adventure. The children learned about nature, art and outreach as well as some adventure stories from the Bible: Moses parting the red sea, Joshua and the Battle of Jericho just a name a few! The DUCKlings joined Betania Presbyterian Church and the neighborhood for Vacation Bible School totaling 80 children!

Internship to the Rainforest

Our summer program was blessed with 4 interns this summer. Hayley Mayne is starting her sophomore year at the University of Arizona. She wants to be an Art Teacher. She has a shining attitude and is an exceptional artist. In addition, DUCK partnered with Chicanos por la Causa. Through their leadership development program, Pathways to Success we were blessed with three fabulous young ladies, Maria Zarate, Zuleyma Carreno and Jessica Villavicencio, Pathways to Success is an internship program where high school students and recent graduates from area schools are paid to work in non-profits that fit job fields that they are interested in studying once they begin college. DUCK was a perfect fit for them!

All of the interns were great to work with and they will carry with them great experiences for their future. We were blessed with lots of learning and a lot of LAUGHS! This summer was really wonderful... the best one yet!



First Annual Kinder Kamp Crazy!

Baby brothers and sisters of our current students, entering pre-school, kindergarten and first grade this upcoming fall joined us for an educational preparation class.

During the day the children were assigned to station activities: hands on science, art, reading, math, letter practice and baking. This allowed us

to meet our upcoming students as well as give them additional help to succeed in the very scary world called KINDERGARTEN!

Special field trips were to Fry's Supermercado, to see the behind the scenes at a grocery store and to a movie.

Special thanks to Rev. Chris Saxton pastor at American Ev. Lutheran Church who hosted our Kinder Kamp.

And so...new DUCKlings are hatched and will join us this fall!