Focus On: Boardwalk Chapel

**Sing to the Lord a new song ... you who go down to the sea ... Isaiah 42:10 (ESV)**

by David Nakhla

I like to refer to the ministry of the Boardwalk Chapel as one of the "gems of the OPC." Now approaching it’s 72nd summer of witness, the Chapel has been around almost as long as the OPC itself! Its faithful service and consistent witness have been demonstrated summer after summer in the vacation destination of Wildwood, New Jersey. I have been particularly encouraged recently by how the Boardwalk Chapel seems to be growing into a significant training ground for short-term missions in the OPC, as we see participants from more and more presbyteries coming to join in the labors of the Chapel. Praise God not only for enabling the witness of the Boardwalk Chapel to endure for almost four generations, but even to grow in its service to the church over the years! We trust and pray that this will continue for many years to come.

As you think about how you may serve in short-term missions in 2016 or 2017, won’t you give the Boardwalk Chapel serious consideration? See “Ways to Serve at the Boardwalk Chapel” on page 2, and visit [OPCSTM.org](http://www.OPCSTM.org) for all the details.
Ways to Serve at the Boardwalk Chapel (details at www.OPCSTM.org):

Spring Work Teams: Individuals and church groups are need to help clean, repair, and spruce up the Chapel during the month of May 2016, before the busy summer season.

Summer Staff Openings: Full-time staff positions for summer 2016 are almost filled, but applications from young men who play the guitar or drums would be very welcome at this time!

End of Summer Staff Openings: Sometimes staff members need to leave before the end of the summer, which creates openings in August for additional staff who can serve through Labor Day!

Ministry Team Opportunities: Church groups, music groups, and youth groups that stay for a week at a time are vital to the Chapel’s ministry. The schedule is full for 2016, but you can apply now for 2017!

Fall Youth Group Opportunities: The Chapel is now available for weekend visits by youth groups in September. Evening concerts have been scheduled and evangelism training may be available!

Contact Director Jim Zozzaro or Admin Assistant Elizabeth Horst at boardwalkchapel@gmail.com. Visit the Chapel's website at boardwalkchapel.org.

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**Summer 2016 Opportunities for Short-Term Service**

Details at OPCSTM.org under “Current Opportunities”

**“English for Kids” Bible Camps:**
Help conduct Bible-centered, English-immersion day camps for French-speaking children (or a camping trip for teens) in Quebec! Individuals or groups welcome to apply. Camps will be held in June and July in Quebec City and St-Georges de Beauce, Quebec.

**Quebec City:** Contact Ben Westerveld at b_westerveld@hotmail.com

**St-Georges:** Contact Olivia Durham at olivia@copcvt.org.

**Teach English to University Students in Asia:**
There are opportunities for qualified individuals to teach English at the university level this summer (starting June 25) or during the school year (starting September 2016 or February 2017). Invest in the lives of students who are uniquely positioned to impact this region of the world! Contact Douglas Clawson at douglas.clawson@opc.org.

**New! Short-Term Service Opportunities in Brick, NJ**
Faith Bible Church on the central New Jersey coast plans to provide work projects and local evangelistic outreach projects from spring through fall for individuals and teams that wish to share their time and skills in short-term service within the denomination. Stay tuned for further details! Contact Charlie Farrell at farre954@regis.edu.

**Additional Opportunities** for short-term service in South Korea, Uganda, Quebec, Key West, Kentucky, and Utah can be found at OPCSTM.org under “Current Opportunities.”

**Teams Filled:** The Presbytery of Southern California has notified us that their English Camp Team and “Team Praha,” both of which will serve in the Czech Republic in the summer of 2016, have been filled!

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**Skilled Volunteers Needed in Japan**

The CDM is seeking volunteers skilled in roofing, caulking, painting, and gutters to join a team that will travel to Japan in April or May to make exterior repairs to the Nozomi Center, a community relief center that OPC teams extensively renovated after the tsunami of 2011. The Nozomi (“Hope”) Center continues to serve as an important beacon of hope and light in the region.

Contact David Nakhla at david.nakhla@opc.org

**Refugee Relief:**

The Committee on Diaconal Ministries is now receiving gifts for Refugee Relief. Those wishing to contribute may visit OPCSTM.org and click on "Disaster Relief" for further information.

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