

THE FAMILY OF  
GRACE BRETHREN CHURCH

*"To develop all people into fully  
devoted followers of Christ"*

Sowing  
**HOPE**  
in the  of Wooster

June 2008



## VBS Time!

Monday, June 23rd marked the beginning of Vacation Bible School! The "big green bus" was met with great energy and anticipation on the children's behalf as it arrived to pick them up at the South Towers and Perkins apartments.

Throughout the week, Sowing Hope was able to not only bring between 31 and 38 students, but also provide a healthy lunch for them and

treat them to an afternoon at Acres of Fun. Some of the highlights of the week were the music sessions with Randy and Steve, the sing-a-longs on the bus to the VBS CD, and most importantly, the salvation commitment of six children! Praise the Lord! Thank you to the VBS teachers, lunch helpers, and bus riders who allowed God to use them in a way to eternally influence young lives for His kingdom!



## South Towers Visited

"What are you afraid of?" Jacob and Elise asked a group of Sowing Hope children this question when some of them skirmished at a harmless spider. Kids gave various answers: "Spiders, snakes, cars."

Cars? That was an interesting response! Why cars? The little 5-year old girl went on to explain: "My dad was working on his car when I was younger. While he was underneath it, it fell off its supports and killed him." Wow! The loss of her father was so distinct in her mind. Unlike the few kids that have their father at home

and the kids who only see their dad on an irregular basis, this girl would never again see her father this side of eternity. No wonder she was afraid of cars!

"Are you afraid of dying?" Jacob asked this girl's older sister.

"No," she replied.

"Why not?" Jacob asked.

"I'm going to heaven when I die," she said. Knowing that this girl had recommitted her life to Christ last year at VBS, the interns gladly shared the hope of the Gospel with the other children.



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## Thursday Mornings at the Towers

Throughout the month of June, the Thursday morning ladies group decided to try something new! With the leadership of Celeste Kern, the women of the apartment building and Wooster Grace were paired as co-leaders of four stations – chocolate making, jewelry making, crocheting/string work, and foam creations. As the ladies taught their particular station to the children of the South Towers, opportunities for great interaction presented themselves. Together both the women and children enjoyed the various activities.

## Sow Hope: URGENT NEED

Did you enjoy serving at VBS? If so, Sowing Hope's Schellin Park Carnival is an opportunity for you to continue to be an impact in the lives of the students.

Similar to a VBS, the Schellin Park Carnival includes a Bible lesson, a craft, several games, Pastor Randy's amazing songs, and tasty foods. We would love to have you join Sowing Hope from July 9-11 from 9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. as we share the love of Christ with the children.

If interested, or for more information, please contact Jacob or Elise at 330-264-9459!