



Your **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** can forever change the lives of Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina's (BCH) boys and girls by taking on **MISSION: Kids NC!**

THE MISSION: To show God's love by praying, giving and connecting with boys and girls living at Baptist Children's Homes across North Carolina.

pray

Please take time during your VBS to pray for the BCH ministry:

- ◆ Pray that God will heal children's hurts. Many come to BCH because of family dysfunction, abuse, neglect, and abandonment.
- ◆ Pray for the cottage parents who provide a safe, caring home for the children and teach them about God's unconditional love.
- ◆ Pray the children will ask Jesus to be their Savior. **80% of BCH's residents come to us unchurched and unreached for Jesus.**

give

Prayerfully consider collecting a VBS offering for BCH's children. Your offering will help to...

- ◆ Provide hot, regular meals. Some children have gone without eating every day before coming to BCH.
- ◆ Buy new clothes. Many children come to BCH with clothes that don't fit or are old and tattered.
- ◆ Reach out to children even beyond NC. Your offering will also help provide a caring home for Guatemala orphans where BCH ministers to impoverished children.

connect

Connect and learn more:

- ◆ Invite a BCH speaker to share the BCH story at your VBS. **Call 336-474-1218 to schedule.**
- ◆ Show a short video. Download at bckids.org.
- ◆ Use the downloadable activity sheet at bchkids.org.
- ◆ Bonus: Bring your church children to a "Friends of Children" workday, a one-day missions trip at BCH's statewide locations. Dates and info at www.bchfamily.org/foc.



SHARING HOPE...CHANGING LIVES

Baptist Children's Homes
of NORTH CAROLINA



Jenny is leaning about God's love.

Twelve-year-old Jenny arrived at Baptist Children's Homes and could have asked for food or clean clothes because she had always been hungry and her clothes were never clean. Instead, Jenny asked her cottage parents, "Can I take a shower?" Jenny's home didn't have running water and she could not shower. At school, her classmates made fun of her because she wasn't clean. Jenny's family did not give her the things she needed. For Jenny, being able to take a hot shower was the most important thing in her world. The first day at school after coming to Baptist Children's Homes was life changing! Not only was she clean, but her cottage parents took her shopping the night before to buy the new clothes and school supplies. She learned that churches help make her new home, clothes, and food possible through their support. Jenny was learning about God's love for the very first time at Baptist Children's Homes!

KID KUDOS

Check out the **AMAZING** ways VBS kids have made a difference!



How awesome is this? High school student Ava Tharpe, who lives in Ronda, NC hosted a golf tournament for her senior project raising more than \$3,000. It gave the children a special outing.



For years, Madi, third from left, has planted a garden and sold her produce to help boys and girls living at our Broyhill Home in the mountains. She raised \$1,600 from her garden. Thank you for being a blessing, Madi!



It's a blessing to see children helping children! The children at Oak Grove Baptist in Lake Toxaway collected pennies, quarters, nickels, dimes – even dollar bills – in jars for BCH's boys and girls. The church collected \$2,000! Thank you, friends!

IDEA! Take the **Mile of Pennies** challenge!

Did you know a mile of pennies from end to end is 84,440 pennies? That equals \$844.40! Set a goal and ask your VBS kids to bring in their change (or bills) throughout the week. Boys vs. Girls! Make it a challenge to raise the most. An award could be given or perhaps a church leader is willing to be pied in the face by the winning group. No matter how you help, the real winners are BCH's boys and girls!

Download Race for Change Activity Page and other resources at www.bchkids.org.



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Please make out Mission: Kids NC offering checks to **Baptist Children's Homes of NC** and mail to: P.O. Box 338 Thomasville, NC 27361. If you take a photo of your children's efforts, send it to jbragsdale@bchfamily.org so he can share it.