



# God's Great Earth Summer Day Camp 2012 Camp Schedule

For Children Age 6-12

Cross Roads Presbyterian Church, 2310 Haymaker Road, Monroeville Pa 15146 ✧ 412-372-2226

All Sessions are from 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday

Extended care is available from 8:00 – 9:00 each morning

## **June 11-15 – “Let’s Travel to Mexico”**

How much do you really know about our Southern neighbors? Mrs. Rita Jury, former Gifted Support Teacher for Gateway Elementary Schools, will be leading this one-week exploration of Mexico, its history, people, cultures and customs, without ever leaving Monroeville! Each day we’ll learn a little Spanish and discover something new, ending the week with a Fiesta!

## **June 25-29 – Mad Scientist 1**

Have you ever wanted to perform your own science experiments? Here’s your chance! We’ll explore chemistry and physics in a very hands-on way! Break out those beakers, and come ready to mix, swirl, pop and swoosh! Mrs. Batson will lead this encore presentation of last summer’s most popular camp!

## **July 9-13 – From Fire to Ice**

Travel through time and explore pre-historic earth as it transforms from a fiery tropic through the onset of the ice age. Dinosaurs weren’t the only inhabitants of this early time – let’s learn about trilobites, ammonites, pterosaurs, and plesiosaurus, mammoths and saber tooth cats. Mrs. Batson will bring the resources of the Carnegie Museum of Natural History to you in this fresh exploration of the time of the dinosaurs and beyond.

## **July 16-20 – Around the World in a Week**

Curious about our world? Each day we’ll discuss a different continent and explore the native cultures. What makes Australian wildlife unique? Is Africa all the same? Do you really know all about the Americas? Does anyone live in Antarctica? Join Mrs. Batson on this fascinating exploration of the world in which we live!

## **July 30-August 3 – Mad Scientist 2**

This “electrifying” week of discovery is perfect for those who have completed Mad Scientist 1 and want to come back for more! Mrs. Batson will expand our explorations of chemistry and physics to include magnetism, sound, movement, and light, as well as introduce concepts involved in electricity.

## **August 6-10 – The Vast Ocean**

Two-thirds of the earth is hidden beneath our oceans. This marine environment is home to the most diverse wildlife imaginable. Mrs. Batson will help us explore life in the deepest depths and see who lives there and how they’ve adapted to their harsh eco-system. Discover creatures that glow, sting and squirt!

## **August 13-17 – A Space Odyssey**

Suit up and blast off for the unknown in this fresh look at cosmos. Did you know our galaxy is on a collision course with its nearest neighbor? Where can you find black holes and what purpose do they serve in the universe? Mrs. Batson will go beyond what’s commonly known for a look at the very nature of the universe, including gravity in space, the effects of mass and size, orbits, how telescopes work, and more!

# God's Great Earth Summer Day Camp ~ Registration Form

**Camp Fees (per week):** First child is \$140; Second child *from the same household* is \$130, third and additional children *from the same household* are \$120 each. Pre-camp care from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. is an additional \$20 per week. An Early Bird discount of \$10 per child is available if you register prior to April 15. Please make checks payable to Cross Roads Presbyterian Church. The deadline to register is the Wednesday prior to the start of camp. Payment is due at the time of registration to secure your child's place in the camp.

## Child's Information (Please print legibly)

Child's name (first/middle/last) \_\_\_\_\_ Name called \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Male  Female Birth date \_\_\_\_\_ Age (as of registration date) \_\_\_\_\_ T-Shirt size \_\_\_\_\_

**Check all that apply to your child, or check "None" for those that don't apply:**

- Allergies (type) \_\_\_\_\_  None  
 ADD  ADHD  None  
 Special circumstances (use additional sheet and provide additional information if necessary)  None

## Family Information

Parent/guardian's name \_\_\_\_\_  
Home address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home # \_\_\_\_\_ Work # \_\_\_\_\_ ext. \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile # \_\_\_\_\_ Pager # \_\_\_\_\_  
Email address \_\_\_\_\_

## Sessions Requested

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| <input type="checkbox"/> June 11-15     | Mexico                     | Pre-camp care needed? | Y | N |
| <input type="checkbox"/> June 25-29     | Mad Scientist 1            | Pre-camp care needed? | Y | N |
| <input type="checkbox"/> July 9-13      | From Fire to Ice           | Pre-camp care needed? | Y | N |
| <input type="checkbox"/> July 16-20     | Around the World in a Week | Pre-camp care needed? | Y | N |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> August 6-10    | The Vast Ocean             | Pre-camp care needed? | Y | N |
| <input type="checkbox"/> August 13-17   | A Space Odyssey            | Pre-camp care needed? | Y | N |

**Each afternoon's activities include a Bible lesson, outdoor games, crafts and snacks, and Friday swims at Gateway Heights Swim Club. A camp t-shirt will be provided the first week the child attends camp.**

## Meet our Teachers:

**Joan Batson:** Mrs. Batson has been a Natural Science Academy teacher at the Carnegie Museum of Natural History teaching classes on many different sciences including Palaeontology, Geology, Entomology, and Archaeology. She has developed museum programs for schools, Scout groups, summer camp, and homeschoolers. Mrs. Batson taught an Ancient Egypt course for the North Hills Catholic Diocese Middle Schools' gifted program. Mrs. Batson teaches weekly science classes at Cross Roads Church for preschoolers and kindergarten students, and is returning for her third summer with us.

**Rita Jury:** Mrs. Jury has a degree in Early Childhood Education from California University of Pennsylvania and a Masters Degree from Penn Sate. She began her career as a classroom teacher, then became the gifted support teacher for all of Gateway elementary schools. Although Mrs. Jury retired from Gateway in June, 2010, she continues to substitute in the schools. Her years of experience, energy and imagination will challenge, inspire, and motivate our campers!

**Friday Swim:** We are grateful to the board of Gateway Heights Swim Club, located on Ramsey Road, for accommodating our camp each Friday afternoon for swimming. Gateway Heights features a heated pool, diving board, staff of certified lifeguards, and a full-time pool manager. If you are interested in becoming a member of Gateway Heights Swim Club, please contact them at [membership@gatewayheights.com](mailto:membership@gatewayheights.com), or call the pool at 412-372-3019 for more information.

## Mission Statement:

*The Mission of the God's Great Earth Day Camp is to nurture children ages 6-12 in an intentionally Christian setting through relationship building, exploration of the world around us, and Bible study.*