

Upside Down

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We at L.A.S.T. are looking forward to working with your group this summer. Our schedule is starting to shape up and we have a great list of new and old ministry partners we will be working with. Here are a few examples. This summer we will be serving with Bethlehem House of Bread-a community center in Tigard, OR which will give us outdoor projects and an opportunity to volunteer at their local food bank, helping clients fill their food box. We will serve meals to the homeless at Blanchet House, sort bulk donations at the Oregon Food bank, work to improve the Brooklyn Community Garden, and new this summer, we will work with kids at the SE Portland Parish summer kids camp. As the summer gets closer we will know more about our final work sites and partners as the above listed are only a few of our options.

This summer our theme is “Upside Down” and we’ll explore one of the key concepts of Jesus’ teaching sometimes referred to as the upside-down kin(g)dom. Many of Jesus’ teachings go against much of the conventional wisdom of the culture that he lived and we hear things like, “the first shall be last, and the last shall be first.” “Blessed are the poor for those is the kingdom of God”. We’ll discuss these ideas and many more including the story of Jesus overturning tables in the temple in Matthew 21:12-17. As we sing and learn together we will learn how we can make these teaching a reality in our own communities.

As always if you have more questions please don’t hesitate to contact Jeff Lowery or check out our website. www.lastnw.com
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