

# AIM RIGHT MINISTRIES

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**Mission Statement** Established in 1991, Aim Right Ministries provides after school recreational activities, educational tutoring, and moral/spiritual training for at risk youth and children living in central Phoenix. Working in cooperation with Crossroads Christian Fellowship, we desire these youth to be evangelized and disciplined for Christ.

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Helping Youth Find Direction in Life



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# PERCEPTIONS



28 teens. 8 counselors. 6 days. Tubing. Hiking. Chapel. Mush ball. Star gazing. Horseback riding. Crafts. Volleyball. Cable rides. Campfire. Questions. Answers. Tears. Laughter. Worship. Friendships. Brokenness. Surrender. Forgiveness. Peace.



## Teen Camp '06



"I've opened my eyes to God."

"I got to talk about something I never told anybody before."



"I love coming to camp because of the great food, great people, and the fact that I get to grow more in God..."



"I don't fear death anymore."

"I feel like I dropped a huge weight. I feel free."



"Camp has helped me to understand forgiveness."

*Thank you, Sponsors!*

*Your generous support enabled us to take 28 teens to camp—more than any other year—and we thank you for partnering with us in impacting their lives for eternity!*

## A Word from Jewel... "Going Home"

A whole year spent in Phoenix? In the beginning it seemed close to forever until I could go back home. In the end, it seems like I must have blinked because my year is up, and it seems it just began!



The teens have challenged me in many ways with their questions, testing of the rules, and outright lack of respect. But—you mess with any one of them, and I'll be the first to take their side! We've laughed together, cried together, and in the end, **grown** together.

The kids stole my heart from the beginning with their open hugs and affection—starving for attention. It seems so unfair to leave them behind, so I'm thinking of sneaking a few home in my suitcase. ☺

Most of all, God has **changed me!** My outlook on life has been rocked. He was always there for me on those days when I thought I was going to lose it, and even when I felt like I let Him down, He still had my back!

So, one year ago, I was unprepared for what I would feel today, the day I leave. I came thinking I could have an impact on these kids' lives, and now I'm leaving thinking they are the ones who have impacted me. It's hard to leave, yet I know that if it wasn't hard to go, it wouldn't have been so right to be here!

Thank you, Aim Right, for changing my life for the rest of my life!

—Jewel

*Jewel Swantz served as an intern for 13 months. She returns home to Iowa the end of July. We will miss her!*

## Needed: Female Intern

Applications are available online at [www.aimright.org](http://www.aimright.org) or by contacting the office at (602) 462-1987.



We are currently accepting applications for a female intern willing to commit to one year of service. If you want to serve in a unique culture within the U.S., Phoenix may just be the place for you!

## Auction Items Needed for 2007



Mark your calendars for Saturday, **February 17**, our tentative auction date! Your donations of quilts, antiques, quality furniture, and numerous other items made last year's auction a success. Would you partner with us again and bless the youth of Phoenix with donated items for the 2007 auction?

## Thank You, Dollar-for-Dollar Contributors

Once again, God provided abundantly for our needs through your response to the Dollar-for-Dollar campaign. We received over \$10,000 in donations designated for the General Operating Fund, and a generous donor provided a matching grant of \$10,000. Thank you for your sacrificial giving. We appreciate you!

## Camp Turned Around VBS



Who can turn your life around? JESUS!!! At VBS, this truth was repeated often as students learned about Bible characters whose lives were turned around by Jesus, enjoyed S'more's at the beach, cooled off with outdoor water games, glued and glittered at Bob's Craft Shack, and sat around Campfire Circle to memorize the verse of the day. At least four children prayed to receive Christ as their Savior at Camp Turned Around.



*Memory verse time at Campfire Circle*



*Preschool Class*



*Rahem prayed to receive Christ*

*Our special thanks to the 11 volunteers from 4 states who assisted us during VBS and to Grace Mennonite Church for purchasing Bibles for each child.*