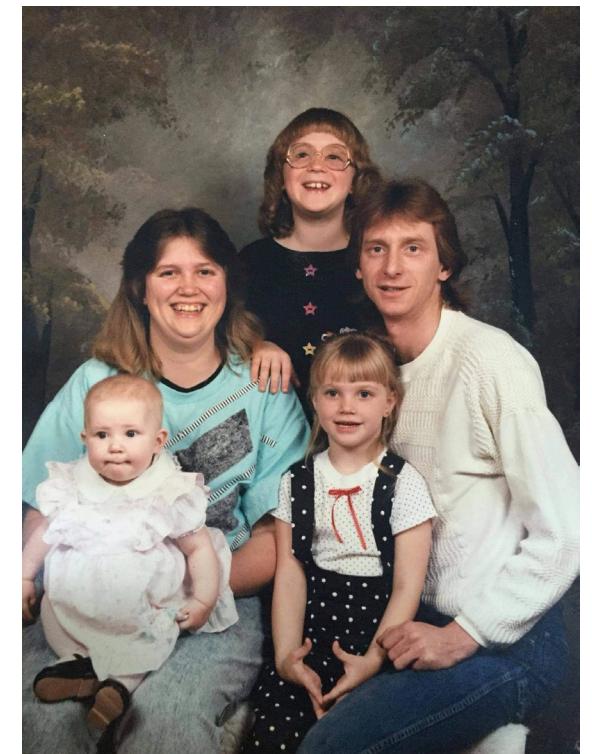


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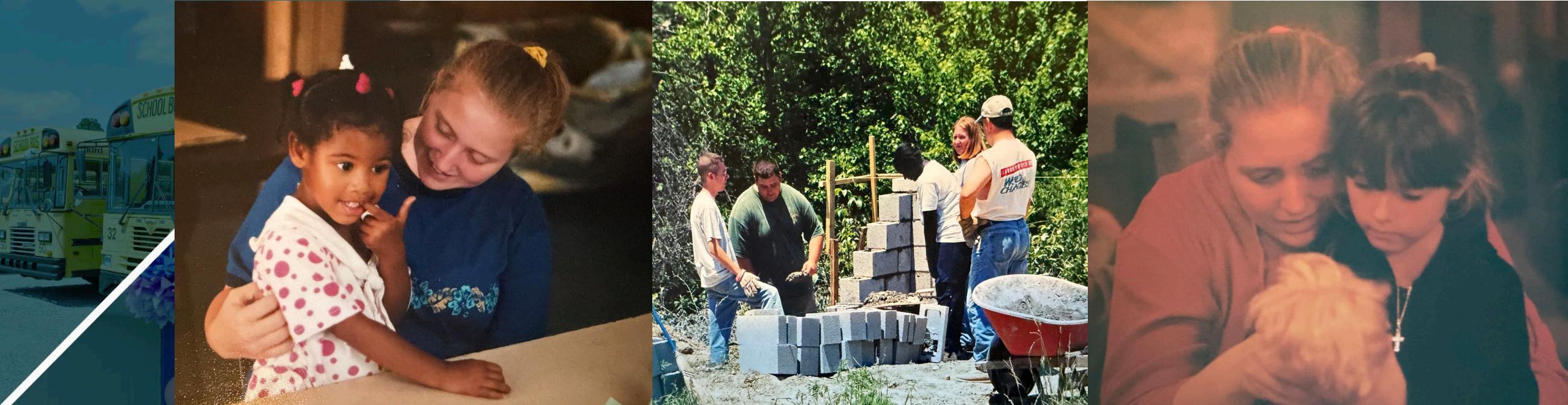
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Appalachian Ministries summer workers volunteer their time to help with vacation bible schools

Appalachian Ministry's summer volunteers spent the week of June 11-15 in Mt. Washington, Kentucky, helping with Vacation Bible School activities at First Baptist Church. It was a great time of fellowship for the Cumberland College students who serve children in the Whitley County-Appalachian region throughout the rest of the summer.

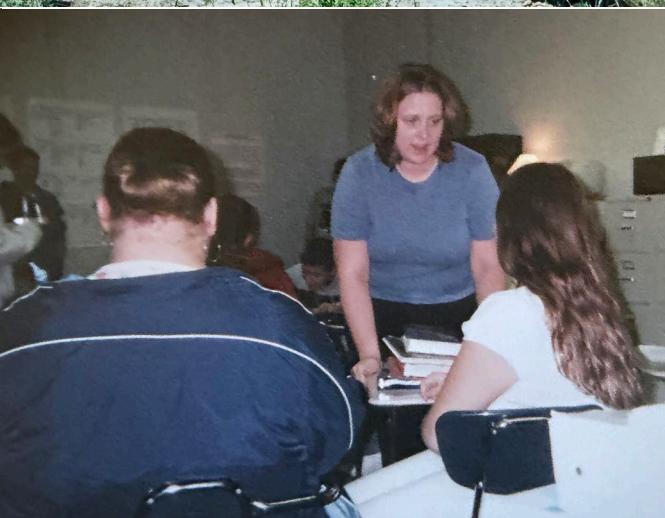
The eight Appalachian Ministry (AM) volunteers helped 115 other VBS leaders from the church guide over 250 "Truth Trackers" to uncover the secret behind the Ten Commandments.

"Even though we normally minister to churches around Whitley County, God opened a door for us to meet a need in another area," explained AM director Matt Rosencrans. "Looking back at the week, not only did we get a chance to minister, it also gave us an opportunity to prepare for the weeks to come."

The summer team will continue offering their services to local church's Vacation Bible Schools throughout the summer. During the week of June 18-22, Cumberland College's AM students held a VBS at Mossy Gap Baptist Church with help from volunteers of First Baptist Church of Fairhope, Alabama.

Appalachian Ministry's male workers were, top row, Matt Rosencrans, Eric Cecil, Matt Rasure; bottom row: Ben Reser and Wayne Cecil.

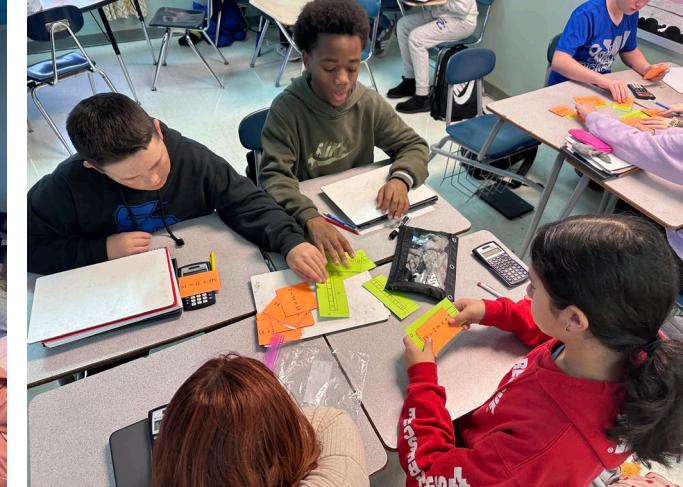
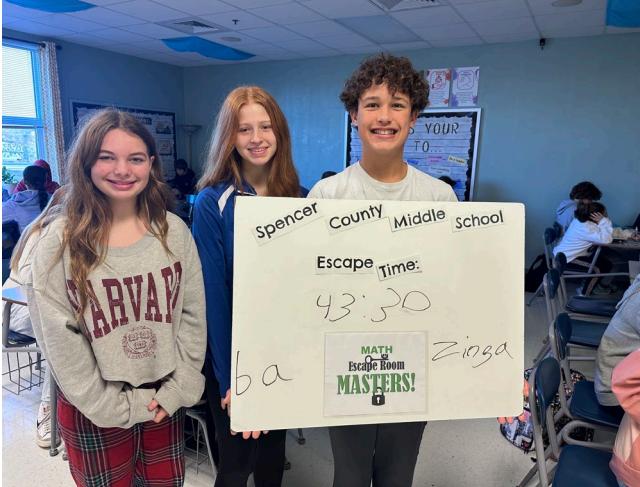
Appalachian Ministry's female workers were, from left: Niki Engle, La Tisha Brown, and Michelle Helton.



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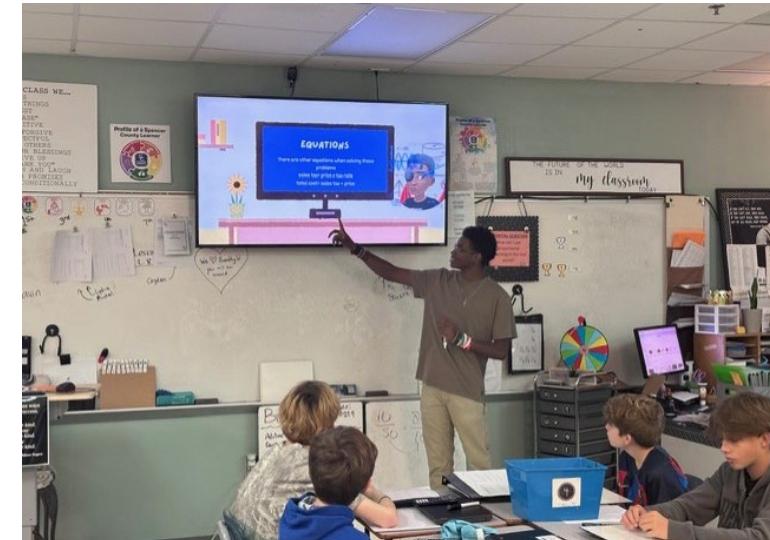
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