

Heart 2 Heart

Spotlight on: Heart Song Teams

HeartSong Touring Teams are comprised of three teams, each called HeartSong, that minister regularly in chapel and in the surrounding communities in schools, churches, and camps, as well as a nine week summer tour throughout the United States.

Each team is an eight member ensemble consisting of vocalists, keyboard players, a guitarist, a percussionist, an auxiliary instrumentalist, and sound technician. Jim Cato, director of HeartSong, said the most rewarding aspect of directing HeartSong is "watching former team members leave Cedarville to serve faithfully in local churches around the country."

Each HeartSong member I interacted with expressed a

passion and love for music and leading people in worship. Cara Slaybaugh, a vocalist and auxiliary instrumentalist, decided to get involved with HeartSong, because "I really enjoy any type of music ministry. I saw HeartSong as a great opportunity to use the gift of music to impact others for the kingdom of God. Music is an amazing and powerful means of communicating with people and expressing God's truth, and I love being a part of a ministry that is all about that." Colby Taylor also decided to get involved for a similar reason. "I decided to get involved with HeartSong because that is my passion—to play music and worship with others who have the same desire and minister in the hearts and lives

of fellow believers or lost souls."

For most of the team, the most rewarding aspect of being on HeartSong is the privilege to impact others lives. Tyler Anderson said the most rewarding thing for him was "the life lasting friendship I've made and the rewards of spending time with people, both impacting others and being impacted." Cara Slaybaugh enjoys "learning how to love people, and experiencing the true fellowship of the body of Christ, all around the country."

HeartSong auditions are held the beginning of each school year. Teams travel nine weeks each summer and several weekends during the school year.



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Ministry Opportunities

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church is looking for students willing to help with their worship ministry. For more information, contact Mike Vrbanac at mvrbanac@pleasanthillbc.com or (513) 831-7598.

Huber Heights Baptist Church is looking for students to help with their youth group and children's ministry. For more information, contact David Howard, Minister of Education, at (937)233-3444 or mail@hhfbc.com.

Rean Meadow Baptist Church in Kettering is looking for volunteers to help with AWANA Cubbies (ages 3-5) on Sunday nights. For more information, contact Brenda McGraner, Awana Commander at (937)434-5003 or bmcgraner@woh.rr.com

The American Red Cross in Xenia is looking for Volunteers to tutor students. Tutoring is offered Monday through Thursday from 4-6pm. Contact Lorraine Channel, Emergency Housing Program Coordinator, at (937)376-3111.

"All we can take with us to heaven is what we leave behind in the lives we touch."

Barbara Johnson

"He has put a new song in my mouth – Praise to our God; many will see it and fear, and will trust in the Lord."

Psalm 40:3

If you have any questions about Community Ministries or Heart 2 Heart, contact Brynn Paine or stop by Christian Ministries in the DMC.