

# Heart 2 Heart

## Spotlight on: Drama Teams

The Drama Teams Department has three teams that tour the country - Lifeline Players and two Master's Puppets teams. Drama teams, as well as the music teams, help put a "face" on Cedarville University for churches across the country.

Brandon Waltz, director of Drama Teams, enjoys working with these teams and seeing God work in and through them. "It is nothing short of awesome to have a 'front row seat' at seeing God working in and through the students as they commit themselves to loving God's people and serving them with all their heart."

Both Master's Puppet teams have six members who travel to local churches and camps during the school year and around the country for nine weeks in the summer. At each location, the team does a puppet show with a memory verse and a game. Their goal is to teach the kids a Bible story and a truth about God that is fun and understandable.

Crystal Baldwin wanted to join the team after she saw a team at the camp she worked at. "I was so encouraged by their ministry that I wanted to do the same for others and get involved too."

Megan Mertus decided to join

the team because, "I love working with kids. It is such a great opportunity to share with them about Christ and to just have fun with them and love them."

Being on Master's Puppets has impacted how Terri Schenk sees the body of Christ. "I met so many different people this summer staying in host home after host home. It was neat to see how immediately when I met each of them we had a bond in Christ. It was incredible to see the body of Christ span across the whole North East side of the States and beyond."

For Andrew Davis, the most rewarding aspect of being on Master's Puppets is seeing the children's response. "Seeing God work in the lives of children through our puppet shows is truly an amazing and humbling experience and is something that never ceases to amaze me."

Lifeline Players is a drama team ministering mostly to teens and adults through sketches that reflect real life problems and situations in light of God's Word. This team also has six members and travels throughout the school year and summer.

Matt Beres has enjoyed seeing how God takes care of the team's needs on the road. "One of the biggest lessons I've

learned is how detailed God is. There are countless stories of people in churches who helped us out at the precise time we've needed it, or even how God knows what people to bring across our path who have experienced similar struggles as us."

Rebecca Wolff joined the team because she loves acting and communicating stories to people, but she's learned so much more. "I wanted to be involved in a drama team because theatre can communicate to people in so many ways. It's neat to see how the Lord can be glorified through the sketches we present to churches. So many doors are opened through drama. Traveling this past summer with Lifeline Players changed my life. You can't be on a ministry team and not be changed! I have seen that the Lord's plan prevails no matter what, and that I am completely nothing. Words can not truly describe how this ministry has impacted my life."

Auditions for Lifeline Players are held spring semester and auditions for Master's Puppets are held during Getting Started Week. Contact Brandon Waltz for more information.



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## Ministry Opportunities

FairCreek Church in Fairborn is looking for volunteers to help with AWANA. Contact Amy Hanna for more information.

Heartland Church in Dayton is looking for volunteers to help in Sunday School and musicians, sound and computer techs for Sunday morning and Thursday night serices. Contact Pastor Ron Ecklebarger at (937)409-2672 or info@takeheart.us.

The Cedarville Learning Center is looking for teacher helpers. For more information, contact Teresa Bishop at (937)766-2252.

The Family Violence Prevention Center in Xenia is looking for volunteers to help with assisting the office manager, phone work, and meal planning and cooking. If interested, contact Terry Carlisle at (937)376-8526 or terry.carlisle@fvpcgc.org. for more information.

New Life Christian Church in Cable, OH is looking for students willing to be part of a missions-type team to help struggling churches. They are also looking for a keyboard/piano player. For more information, contact Pastor Wayne Taylor, Village Missions, at (937)653-4277 or wtaylor@ctcn.net.

"It doesn't matter how great the pressure is. What really matters is where the pressure lies, whether it comes b/t me and God or whether it presses me nearer His heart."

Hudson Taylor

"Christ gave those gifts to prepare God's holy people for the work of serving, to make the body of Christ stronger."

Ephesians 4:12

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