

# The need-to-know

## **INCREASE Events:**

- July 8  
**INCREASE  
After Hours**
- July 12  
**Battle Zone Park**
- July 15  
**INCREASE  
After Hours**
- Aug. 3-5  
**VBS**

Check out our online  
calendar at:

<http://www.localendar.com/public/Increase330>.

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## Message Doesn't Change

As I was in Florida for camp last week, I began to think what life would be like if I lived there. To be honest, I am not a big fan of the beach but there are some things I could really buy into in terms of beach life. For example, I would have to have a Jeep or some kind of vehicle that the top comes off of. I would also never wear anything on my feet other than Crocs. Absolutely nothing else! The time, money, and effort I usually spend on duck hunting would go towards shark fishing. However, in thinking of all the things I would like to have if I lived in a vastly different place, I began to think about things that would not change. I would still bring my wife home some sort of candy when I go to the store to pick something up because she is a candy addict. I would still let my kids get up "one more time" when I am trying to put them to bed because they "forgot" to kiss mommy good night or wanted to give baby sister just one more hug. It really made me think about the fact that even though our surroundings would be different, I would still be the same person. I would still be the same kid from Trenton that is far more blessed than he ever deserved. That principle should ring true in every aspect of our lives. No matter where we are, what we are doing, or who is around us, we should, as Christians, always strive to represent Christ well. As parents and pastor, our students are always watching. They are taking note of every move we make in every situation. So often, I hear people, especially parents, try to explain their shortcomings as it being "just the way they are made". The old saying "do as I say and not as I do" really doesn't carry much weight. Of course we want our students to always walk with Jesus each and every day in every aspect of their lives. Our role in that process is to model it for them. Our message should always be Jesus to others in all we do.

## Battle Zone Park

**July 12th**

**6:30pm-8:30pm**

**6th-12th Graders**

**\$20 per player**

Sign up sheet posted on bulletin board.



**PAINTBALL**

**INCREASE After Hours Summer Sched.**



**7:15pm-10pm**

**July  
8th  
&  
July  
15th**