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# Spotlight on Camp Craddock Intern

# **MELANIE MISLO**

I was born and raised in Marietta, Georgia, where I attend Mt. Zion United Methodist Church. Through my church community, I heard about the Craddock Center and would occasionally help work at the food pantry or help sort books. Last summer, my youth group did Camp Craddock for a mission trip, and I fell in love with the kids and the program. I came back this summer as one of the camp interns, and it has been such a lovely experience.

I am a rising sophomore at Bennington College in Vermont, and I am studying Environmental Science with a focus on Chemistry.



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The board of directors and staff of TCC want to send a big thank you to our two gifted interns Bailey Mooney and Melanie Mislo, our Story Express volunteers, United Community Bank of Ellijay for our camp t-shirts, local restaurants Chic-fil-A of Ellijay, Papa's Pizza, Joe's Bar B Que and Dairy Queen all of Blue Ridge Georgia for their donations.

We also want to thank volunteers from Mt. Zion for helping at the area food bank each Wednesday. A huge thank you to board member Cheryl Horacek for her help with many program related volunteer tasks. Many thanks to Victor and Sharon Orsolits for creating and hanging camp room dividers!

Camp Craddock could not be so successful without our amazing volunteers and community!

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## **CAMP CRADDOCK 2017**

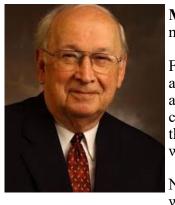
We had the pleasure of hosting two fabulous mission groups in July. Sandy Springs Christian Church from Sandy Springs, Ga. are returning campers that came with much enthusiasm and creativity. They visited their same friends as last year and even come back each year at Christmas and Earth Day to visit. They know each child by name and do a great job delivering "Happy and Hope"!

Collierville Christian Church, our last group of the summer ,but offering no less than the others, was very welcoming to everyone they met. Collierville has a big heart and we hope they return next year. All Camp Craddock groups enjoy numerous local businesses and activities at the end of the day when camp is done.

I would like to say my first time conducting Camp Craddock has been a rewarding experience for me and I thank each one that has had a part in camp whether it be our donors, numerous volunteers, staff & interns, the mission groups or our small Appalachian friends.

Connie Chancey Programs Director

# Dr. Fred B. Craddock, A Taste Of Milk & Honey



MY NEIGHBOR IS DOWN TO ONE ROOSTER and has no hens at all. It is not the economy; it's the hawks, the owls, and one gray fox.

For several years now my farmer neighbor has repaired the hen house, bought hens, and was in business. The rooster crowed, the hens clucked, and chicks chased bugs and grasshoppers. The future looked bright. Then came the hawk and the owl, and chicks disappeared. Then came the fox, and hens disappeared. For three summers the drama repeated itself. Each fall the rooster was alone. This past summer there were no hens or chicks. But there is the rooster.

Now and then he crosses the road to visit me. "Do you still crow?" "Of course; why do you ask?" "Well, I don't see any hens or chicks, so I wondered. "There

will be more; my boss is just running late this year; there will be more." The very thought thrilled him. He strutted, flapped, and crowed.

I asked his boss if he were getting more hens. He said no, he couldn't afford to keep doing it. "Have you told the rooster?" "No." "Well, he's hoping." "I know, but I can't take away his hope."

The four year old boy who ran into Head Start ahead of me was full of prance and strut. "Did you know my mommy and daddy are buying a new car and will pick me up today?" "Wow! That's wonderful!" His mother is a meth addict; his father is in prison.

Did I take away his hope? Did I tell him he had no future? No. In fact, I was there to tell him the opposite, that he has a future. Thanks to you.

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