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More than 150 post youth and volunteers took part in the post chapels Vacation Bible School this week. Photo by Greg Welker.

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July 28, 2009 -- The time of year has come when new resident students and their families come to Carlisle Barracks for their 10-month resident Army War College course.

With the parents getting all of the unpacking and inprocessing done, many youth have chosen to take the opportunity to meet other kids at the Vacation Bible School at the Post Memorial Chapel.

"We have had a very successful turnout this year," said Chaplain (Lt. Col.) James Carter, post Protestant Chaplain. "We are fortunate to have a good group of volunteers of both the Protestant and Catholic faiths, which shows that we have unity within the community."

Approximately 150 participants are enrolled in this year's program, ranging from pre-school age to sixth grade.

"We have bible school during this week so that the children have an immediate opportunity to participate in the religious community," Carter said. He said he is extremely pleased with the turnout of volunteers and teachers.

"These kids need a lot of help from the community and the volunteers are more than willing and qualified to give the kids that," Carter said. "We make sure the kids have an enjoyable time in a place of acceptance and affirmation based on God's grace in the community here at Carlisle."

The participants take part in a number of activities at Vacation Bible School. Choir, games and other activities are designed to bring the children closer to God and to build a lasting relationship with him

and the other participants at the chapel, he explained.

With this fun-filled week, the participants should come back with a bunch of stories, an assortment of memories and, most importantly, a good group of friends.---

Faithfest: Chapel community welcome picnic Aug. 16

The Chapel Community Welcome Picnic, Faithfest, will kick off Aug. 16 at 10 a.m. with both congregations meeting and worshipping outside followed by a chapel picnic on the lawn. Bring your chairs.

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