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Central Belize | January 21
250 Attendees

South Florida | February 18
1,265 Attendees

Jacksonville | April 22
641 Attendees

North Texas | June 17
1,039 Attendees

East Tennessee | August 19
Registration Now Open

Central Florida | November 11

Mission Statement: To develop and execute programs and events that share the love and Gospel of Jesus Christ with people living with disabilities, and to connect them to Christ-honoring churches, organizations, resources, and people within their community.

Programs: Access-Life Expos, Access-Life Outposts, Fishing with Friends, Crafting Community and Prayer and Care

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Jacksonville Expo Celebrates Eight Years at Lake Bethesda

Many of you may not know this but Jacksonville was the site of the first ever Access-Life Expo in April of 2010. It was a small gathering of 189 participants, volunteers and exhibitors but as the Bible says "do not despise meager beginnings". This is so true as we just celebrated our 8th outreach at the same Lake Bethesda Park with 641 participants, volunteers and exhibitors this past April 23rd. What's even more amazing is that since that outreach God has brought nearly 25,000 participants, volunteers and exhibitors to 38 Expos from Jacksonville, Ocoee, FL and South Florida to North Texas and Tennessee and even Belize. To say God is good is such an understatement! Amen?



This year in Jacksonville, we saw many faces that come year after year but many new faces, too. Regardless if folks were first time attendees or long time veterans the smiles of joy from the Lord were the same. Whether it was their first boat ride, fish caught, arrow shot or kayak trip or perhaps the first time they heard the sweet story of Jesus and His love for them, God was present there filling the venue with His presence and blessing lives as only He can do.



Our friends at Stirring Waters Ministry brought out their hoverball archery station and a giant 10 person canoe as they did

for the West Palm Beach Expo earlier this year and the results were the same as folks enjoyed both activities thoroughly. Our new sand cross craft was also popular and further emphasized the truth to all who attended that Jesus is the Way, Truth and Life. Bibles were placed in each goody bag, praises and prayer requests were taken at the Prayer and Care tent and the Gospel was shared through the faith bracelet craft, too. All of these are our way of layering Jesus into the outreach so that everyone can be touched by the hope that He brings in such a gracious way.

All in all, Jacksonville may not be our largest outreach but it was the first. More importantly though, it is where each year since 2010 specific lives have been touched by folks serving as the hands and feet of Jesus while sharing His love and Gospel to individuals and family members living with disabilities who need to be encouraged, supported and given hope.

