

The Anglican Diocese of South Carolina Grandparenting Ministry

Summertime is always a busy time for the Grandparenting Ministry. That is when most of the GrandCamps take place. This summer we have four GrandCamps.

The South Carolina GrandCamp took place June 15 – 19 at Epworth By the Sea on St. Simons Island, Georgia. This was our fourth summer at Epworth. We had 50 grandparents and 45 grandchildren in attendance.

In July, a team from our South Carolina leadership group led a first GrandCamp in Pikeville, Tennessee. There were 13 grandparents and 19 grandchildren attending.

August 2 – 5 GrandCamp traveled overseas to Kisumu, Kenya, where the first GrandCamp was held at Father Fred Ochieng Onyango's parish. Approximately 300 people attended: 180 children and 111 grandparents.

On September 11 – 12, 2026, Old St. Andrews Parish will hold its first GrandCamp under the leadership of Rich Giersch and Brenda Rindge.

At each of these camps, grandparents and grandchildren were led daily into Bible studies, group presentations and numerous activities. The week culminates in a special time of the grandparents blessing their grandchildren. For many attendees, this becomes a life-long memory of close time with the Lord.

In addition to these four camps, we are working on new GrandCamps in 2027 in North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia and possibly Indiana. Our Core Leadership team in SC is working closely with Christian Grandparenting Network to initiate and develop these camps.

If you are interested in hosting such an amazing intergenerational event within your parish, please see Cathy Jacobs or Sherry Schumann.

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