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ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA — From Jamaica to Lake Tahoe to Puerto Rico, Winthrop University students are spending their summers helping others, proving true one of the institution's core values: community service.

Several of the students are completing missionary work, said **Rev. Jack Blankenship**, leader of Baptist Collegiate Ministry at Winthrop, a fact which makes him very proud.

"There's a lot of talk about college students just kind of partying and being selfish, being the 'me' generation," he said. "The amazing thing is as we've seen more students come to BCM, there's more of a hunger to not just be takers, but to be givers as well. For so many of them, it's an opportunity for them to live out their faith in a practical way and put it into practice."

Students include:

*Erin Satterfield is working with children at a resort in Lake Tahoe.

*Ahmaad Alston, Eric Hammett, Grace Greene and Ashley Johnson will visit Jamaica in August through a partnership ministry.

*Ben Oliver and Hunter Davis have left for Puerto Rico to do service-type work through Park Baptist Church.

Other students are spread out across the nation and world for other good works.

*Jennalea Anderson is in South Asia working with college students.

*Garrett Bowman and Jennie Montgomery are lending a hand at Camp Thunderbird in Lake Wylie.

*Ashley Johnson is hanging out at Look Up Lodge.

*Sarai Ramos is having a blast helping at Camp Canaan.

*Cody Porter and Aaron Paris are volunteering at various YMCA camps.

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