

Difference Maker

Developing Difference Makers
with True Hearts of Service

Program



The Difference Maker Program at Mariners Christian School serves to:

- Shine the Light of Christ to the surrounding community
- Develop a true heart of service in our students by creating opportunities that allow them to:
 - Step into action
 - Serve for the glory of God, not personal glory
 - Demonstrate Jesus' heart for those in need - be the hands and feet of Jesus
- Cultivate local partnerships and bless what others are already doing well by coming alongside of them in meeting tangible needs in our local and global community



We provide opportunities for student and family engagement in the following areas:

- Monthly serve opportunities - students are given the opportunity to participate in community outreach projects and by partnering on school-wide drives (Fall Food Drive, Christmas Toy Drive, Book Drive, etc.)
- 7th Grade Serve Week - 7th grade students participate in a week devoted to service in the local community
- Spiritual Formation through chapel program - students receive teaching in the Biblical commands to serve and love our neighbors through our chapel program
- Difference Maker Chapel - we provide the opportunity for students to hear from a "Difference Maker" (past guests have included Jake Harriman from Nuru International, Jessie Simonson from 31 Bits, and Jennifer Friend from Project Hope Alliance)
- Difference Maker Grant Program - we provide the opportunity for students to apply for seed funding and mentoring in order to help them put their own "Difference Maker" projects into action. Students are guided through "design thinking" in order to develop and execute their ideas.

