

**Layton Christian Academy**  
**2011 Middle School Summer Reading Program**

Dear Parents,

This letter is to inform you about the required summer reading program for Layton Christian Academy. While we recognize the importance of a relaxing vacation for students, we feel that the joy of reading should be an important part of any vacation plan.

Teachers have provided all students with a summer reading. Students entering grades sixth through eighth must read the required novel below, and one additional novel chosen from the list. The required novel for ALL grades levels is:

***Soul Surfer* by Bethany Hamilton**  
**(It is important that they read the book because we will be comparing the differences between the book and the movie!)**

Students will be required to type a progressive reading journal (see form) for both novels. This assignment will be due the Friday of the first week of school. The students will be required to do a book report on their novel of choice at midterm first quarter. How the student will be required to present the other book report will be assigned by their reading teacher.

Please ensure that your son or daughter has the reading list to refer to. Sample lists will also be available on the web site.

We hope that you and your children enjoy the books that our staff has selected. The school or public librarian can also help you locate other excellent titles. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Layton Christian Academy  
English Department

## 6TH-8TH SUMMER READING LIST

Required novel for ALL grades levels: *Soul Surfer* by **Bethany Hamilton**

Choice novel for ALL grades levels: (pick one)

*Across Five Aprils*  
*Anne of Green Gables*  
*Bridge to Terabithia*  
*Carry on Mr. Bowditch*  
*The Cay*  
*Crispin: The Cross of Lead*  
*The Giver*  
*The Indian in the Cupboard*  
*The Magician's Nephew*  
*Maniac Magee*  
*Number the Stars*  
*Out of the Dust*  
*Redwall*  
*Shadow Spinner*  
*Shiloh*  
*The Sign of the Beaver*  
*The Swiss Family Robinson*  
*Where the Red Fern Grows*  
*The Witch of Blackbird Pond*  
*A Wrinkle in Time*