

IS THIS THE CAMP FOR YOU?

Exciting ELITE Instruction!

HIGHER GROUND COLLEGE PREP & COLLEGE READY SELECT CAMP

Columbus, GA (South Commons) June 19-24 Late arrival and/or early departure is acceptable

If you think that you or someone you know meets the necessary criteria (14 or older by time of camp, college softball potential, great attitude, terrific work ethic), [contact us](#) to discuss your involvement in this unique camp defined and constructed for the serious softball player. We'll be happy to discuss *customized instruction* that makes a real difference in your softball career.

Designed for players ready to prepare for college softball OR entering college this fall

*****SKILL DEVELOPMENT*****

****GAME EXPERIENCE****

IMPACT EXPOSURE

Players and staff from over thirty states, plus Australia, Canada, England, Germany, Holland, Italy, and New Zealand have attended our camp. The *International Sports Group, International Softball Federation, U.S. Air Force*, and many international federations have used Higher Ground services. We have conducted activities in approximately forty states, plus Argentina, Austria, Azores, Canada, China, Cuba, Czech Republic, England, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Panama, Puerto Rico, Scotland, Slovakia, Sweden, U.S. Virgin Islands, and Zambia.

This camp offers a unique atmosphere for student-athletes to experience in-depth aspects of the game. Student-athletes can choose the areas of the game they want to focus on and expose themselves to many different instructors during the week. With so many choices out there for parents and athletes to choose from I believe it is imperative to look for one that allows them to learn and then put their new skills to work in a game atmosphere and they do this every day of camp. I would be remiss to say that the single most important difference with this camp is it is a Christ centered instruction-based camp with the total person as a top concern! Bottom line my little girl will attend this camp in about 12 years if she chooses softball as her passion.

CARIE DEVER-BOAZ Former Southeastern Conference Coach of the Year, National Pro Fastpitch Manager of the Year, and multi-year NCAA Division I All American

Thank you for the wonderful opportunity for my daughter to be involved in Higher Ground. She has enjoyed the experience very much. We would both therefore like to thank you very much for your assistance and guidance since meeting you at that very first camp. It was experience that had a huge effect on her and where she wanted to go in terms of her softball. Her attendance was instrumental in her desire to play college ball. We thank you for providing her the inspiration.

MOTHER in NEW ZEALAND - daughter was about to come to USA for college softball

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****TEAM CAMPS for school and travel teams, plus Day Camps, are also available****

2011 SELECT CAMP STAFF (03-21-11) *Additional Staff Pending*

BOBBY SIMPSON (Camp Director) Founder/President of Getting Better Every Day, Inc., dba/Higher Ground; International softball clinician, with experience in Austria, Canada, Czech Republic, England, Germany, Greece, Holland, Italy, Scotland, Sweden, and U.S. Virgin Islands; **Head Coach of British Women's Fastpitch National Team (2001-2004), Gold Medal winner of 2004 Olympic Test Event in Greece**; Former assistant coach for Dutch and Greek National Teams; Former pro (K.C. Royals Baseball Academy) and college (Florida State) baseball coach; Author of **Improved Hitting For Girls Softball**, plus author, instructor, or producer of more than 100 magazine articles (SOFTBALL Magazine Staff Contributing Editor), coaching manuals, and instructional DVD's; former director of **softball showcases** at numerous colleges and tournament sites.

NANCY MARK (Asst Camp Director) Former multi-year ASA All-American and member of several national championship teams; **1997 National High School Coach of the Year**; Teams won five Georgia high school state championships; Developed numerous **college players**; Featured instructor at Dutch National Clinic; permanent staff member for Higher Ground SELECT Camp for serious softball.

KELLEY BRETSCHER - **Assistant Coach at Mercer University; 4-year starter as middle infielder at Mercer; a lead instructor at 2010 Higher Ground SELECT CAMP and 2011 SUPER CLINIC; MBA from Mercer's School of Business; featured instructor at 2011 North Carolina Coaches Assn Clinic.**

CARIE DEVER-BOAZ – Former Head Coach at University of Arkansas, winning **SEC Coach of the Year** in 1999; former Head Coach of Washington Glory in **National Pro Fastpitch League**, winning **Coach of the Year** in 2007; former assistant coach at Florida, South Carolina, and Virginia; **3-time All-American** pitcher and third baseman and twice Academic All-American at Fresno State, where she led team to the College World Series championship game in three consecutive seasons; guest clinician in Canada and Holland; video instructor for five DVD's and author of The Art of Pitching.

BOBBY FRESH - Former veteran assistant coach for Tift County High School, **five-time Georgia High School Association state champions**; very popular instructor at many Higher Ground camps and clinics; permanent staff member at the SELECT Camp, where she also serves as Director of Staff Assistants.

SHANNAN LOVELADY - Former **All-American at Florida State University** and member of Silver Bullets, a ladies professional baseball team; successful high school coach and very popular at Higher Ground's advanced camps and clinics.

NATHAN MOLICA – Major in **United States Army Rangers**; VERY popular at 2010 SELECT CAMP.

JORDYN NAIL – Head Coach at **East Georgia College**; former 4-year standout at **Georgia Southern University** and Cum Laude graduate; former travel team coach and Head Coach at Swainsboro HS; assisted at 2010 SELECT CAMP and 2011 SUPER CLINIC.

MIKE RAYNOR – **Head Coach at Mercer University**; former assistant coach at Sequoyah High School, Georgia AAAA state champions; spent 14 years as travel team coach with East Cobb Bullets Gold, winning two National Championships and five State Championships; **former collegiate umpire** in the Southeastern Conference, Atlantic Coast Conference, Atlantic Sun Conference, Peach Belt Conference, Southern Conference, and Conference USA.

GREG RIDDOCH - **Former manager of Major League Baseball San Diego Padres**; former 3B coach for Tampa Bay Devil Rays; Defensive Coordinator and Sports Psychologist for Texas Rangers; **Mental Skills instructor** for San Diego Padres; Director of Player Development for Milwaukee Brewers; coached and managed players such as Tony Gwynn, Gary Sheffield, Fred McGriff, Benito Santiago, and Wade Boggs, while also assisting top softball players; instructor at numerous Higher Ground advanced and elite softball camps and clinics; instructor for four Higher Ground softball DVD's; extensive int'l experience.

DALTON RUER – **Director of Cross Training Softball Instruction** (Flowery Branch, GA); DVD instructor for six softball programs; Contributing editor Softball Today Magazine; permanent staff member for the Higher Ground SELECT Camp, plus popular at many Higher Ground events for serious softball.

FRANK TURNER – **Former Hitting Coach at University of Georgia**, including 2003 and 2005 **SEC Championship** seasons, plus 2004 team which had 3rd best average in the nation (.329); assistant at Mill Creek HS, 2008 AAAAA State Champions (GA); 4-year starter at shortstop for Georgia Tech baseball.

STAFF INCLUDES: SEC Coach of the Year; Manager Of MLB San Diego Padres; Pro softball Manager of the Year; College coaches from various levels; International experience in over a dozen nations; National High School Coach of the Year; U.S. Army Ranger with combat experience; plus more