



VBS STAFF WORKSHOP 1 of 2 Monday, July 10th

7:00 PM - This VBS "All Staff" Workshop is for all of our teachers, guides and coordinators. This is our final official staff meeting. so don't miss these last minute pointers to help ensure that our VBS 2023 will be the adventure of a lifetime for our kids!!

VBS 2023 JULY 16-20 6:30 - 8:45 Nightly



Summer is here and school is out. Yippee!! What will you do with all the extra time? You will probably sleep late every day, watch lots of TV, and play outside with your friends. Amidst all the fun of catching some rays from the sun and scuba diving to the bottom of the local pool, don't forget to spend time with God. Kids need God in their lives every day, just as much as adults do. You should do your best to give God 10 minutes every day this summer. Does 10 minutes sound like a long time? To make it easier, divide your 10 minutes in half. Spend 5 minutes reading your Bible and 5 minutes praying. If you think you might forget to give God 10, try picking the time of day that's best for you. For example, do you have more time to spare in the mornings, afternoons, or right before you go to bed? Make sure every day at that time you give Him at least 10 minutes. Spending time with God will help you know Him better and love Him more. Giving God 10 will make you happier and the rest of your day better. How does this

happen? God makes it happen. When you are faithful to Him, He will be faithful to you. Remember, He is God and He can do anything. If you remember to give Him 10, He just might make this the greatest summer you have ever had. YEAH!!!!!

Summer is a great time for getting outside and enjoying all of God's great creation. Here are some tips to help your family enjoy the summer without getting scorched. ALWAYS use sunscreen with SPF of at least 20+, and remember that the sun's light is strongest from 10 AM to 3 PM. No one wants to spend their summer days as a lobster. Remember to pack lots of water so the sun doesn't turn you into a raisin. Of course, don't forget to drink it. Keep a pair of sunglasses on hand to filter out those wild and crazy sun rays. Last, but not least, always stay close to your children when they are playing in the pool or lake.

FROM OUR HAPPY LEADER

Summer is a <u>really</u> AWESOME time of the year! Our children's ministry is in "high gear", that's for sure! As a matter of fact, it's going to be tough to fit our



monthly update into this section, but here's a try ...

Our annual *Junior Camp* in June was such a blast. We took a great group of excited fifth graders to Trinity Center in Pine Knoll Shores and enjoyed every minute of our camp experience! It is always a highlight of my year to go to Beach Camp with both old and new friends.

Our Junior Retreat for Grades 3-4 completed is going to be a blast again this year! That trip to Blowing Rock is scheduled for July 25-27 (Tuesday-Thursday). Pray for safety and for a great time away!

We also hope that you fifth graders are working hard on your TALENT PROJECTS. We have just a few weeks left, and we will be finding out if you have invested your "talents" or buried them. I'm hearing some good reports but I'm looking forward to the formal presentations too (currently scheduled for late this month).

Whew! I'm already out of space, and I haven't even talked about our Children's Baptism Service this month, our "Fifth Grade Sendoff" (Hello Middle School!), our AWANA kick-off in the fall, etc. Have a great July!

Because of Him.

Mr. Tim



CHILDREN

Darcy Prevette (4) 16 Braden Glisson (11) 2 Avery Collins (9) 16 Elodie Rogers (3) 2 Lexi Craven (5) Levi Constant (9) 16 Roberto Ceavega (8) Michael Greene (8) Maclendon Cox (6) 21 Memphis Lewis (5) 5 Liam Harrelson (9) 21 Emmy Ginn (6) 6 Leighton Hackett (3) Addison Peel (12) 21 6 Landon Mast (3) 23 Jaythan Singleton (12) 6 Isla Yount (4) Josephine Constant (6) 23 8 Eloise Walker (7) 23 Journey Carrion (6) Riley Pruitt (7) 25 Emmaline Joyner (2) 9 Will Browning (10) 25 Silas Johnson (2) Levi Lo (11) 10 26 Emma Prevette (8) Bennett Miller (5) 28 Adalyn Connell (10) Madilyn Veres (6) 28 Isabella Baker (2) Autumn McDonald (8) 28 Emma Pederson (2) Thomas Richardson (12) 29 Tucker Pryor (4) Zoey Brown (10) 30 Kaitlyn Lindley (9) Evelyn Illerbrun (4) 30 Ellie Sue Jones (6)

CHILDREN'S LEADERS

- 3 Abbie Ledwell (Nursery Dept.)
- 3 Robin Harrelson (Nursery Coordinator)
- 3 Katie Miller (Preschool Dept.)
- 5 Wayne Welch (Church Staff)
- 6 Janet West (Checkpoint Hostess, VBS Snack Coordinator)
- 6 Donna Bostick (Church Staff, Pre-K SS Teacher)
- 8 Shawn Hackett (Nursery Dept.)
- 10 Kellie Sloan (Pre-K SS Teacher)
- 13 Brittany Freeman (Nursery Dept.)
- 13 Stephen Mast (Preschool Dept.)
- 18 Teri Craven (Nursery Dept.)
- 22 Debbie Freeman (Nursery Dept.)
- 23 Ruthie Trantham (KS Connect Leader)
- 23 Lisa Atkins (KS Worship Leader)
- 24 Brad Hendrix (Nursery Dept.)
- 25 Robin Harbaugh (Checkpoint Hostess)
- 26 Holly Mullins (Preschool Dept.)
- 27 Angie Steele (Preschool Dept.)
- 28 Laura Lindley (KS Connect)
- 29 Amy Speer (KS Worship Leader)
- 30 Neil Maready (KS Connect Teacher)

SCRIPTURE FUN FOR EVERYONE

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Hey, do you think you might just be ready for a seriously exciting Bible adventure? We thought so! First, you will need at least one friend, a basket or wagon, and a Bible. Next, decide how long your hunt will last. Finally, give each player a list of the following clues and scripture references. Using the clues and scriptures find as many items as you can before time is up. We promise that you will have a blast seeing who can find the most items mentioned in the Bible!!!

There are 20 New Testament books hidden in the puzzle to the left. When you are done finding all the books in the puzzle, get a friend and see who can look up the same books in the Bible the fastest. Start with the books that are listed diagonally.

An item cast upon the water in Ecclesiastes 11:1

Something David took from the stream in I Samuel 17:40

Something you get from a tree in Luke 6:43-44

Something tickly in Psalm 91:4

Two growing things mentioned in Isaiah 40:8

An insect in Ecclesiastes 12:5

A seasoning mentioned in Job 6:6

What Ezekiel was to write on in Ezekiel 37:16

A liquid found in Proverbs 10:26

An insect mentioned in Job 4:19

An object full of something mentioned in Mark 9:41

What David took to the head soldier in I Samuel 17:18

The fruit of a tree named in Romans 11:17

The valley in Ezekiel 37:1 was full of these

An animal named in Jonah 4:7

Something small mentioned in Matthew 15:27

Just one of the foods named in Numbers 11:5

The thing that does not wither in Psalm 1:3





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