



Forerunner

First Baptist Church
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The heavens declare
the glory of God;
the skies proclaim
the work of his hands.

Psalm 19:1

The heavens declare My glory and reveal My handiwork...

*The heavens declare the glory of God
The expanse shows his handiwork*
Psalm 19:1

In **Romans 1:20** in the NLT Bible it says...

For ever since the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky. Through everything God made, they can clearly see his invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature. So they have no excuse for not knowing God.
(NLT)



Sundays

9:45 am—Sunday School
(Classes for all ages)
11:00 am—Worship Service
(Live on FBC Website & 98.1 FM Radio)
6:00 pm Kids & Youth Meetings -
Summer Break for June, July, & August

Mondays

Bible Study—
Summer Break for June, July, & August

Wednesdays

6:00 pm—Prayer Group
6:30 pm—Choir Rehearsal



August 5—Soup Kitchen—Please have Bread & Desserts to the church by 1 pm

August 13—Women on Mission—11:00 am

August 14—Kingdom Kids—5:30 pm

August 15—Grief Support Group—11:30 am

August 17—Blood Drive 10 am—2 pm In the FBC Church Fellowship Hall

August 28—Kingdom Kids—5:30 pm



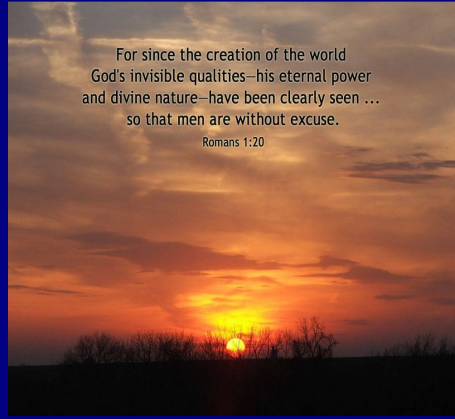
Nature is continually revealing the character and nature of God. Every tree, every stream, every animal on the face of the planet bears witness to the glory and majesty of the Triune God. There is simply no excuse. Nature proves not only that God exists, but that He is kind and gracious to all that He has made.

Today's promise simply states that the heavens declare His glory and the skies show off His handiwork. My prayer for all of us today is that there will be a heightened awareness to the eternal power of God that is clearly displayed in the world around us.

The next time you look at a sunrise or sunset, may the love of God overwhelm you and may you see His glory revealed through all that He has created.

In Christ's Love,

Kevin



For since the creation of the world
God's invisible qualities—his eternal power
and divine nature—have been clearly seen ...
so that men are without excuse.
Romans 1:20



*"I will sing to the Lord all my life;
I will sing praise to my God as long as I
live."*

Psalms 104:33 NIV

I must admit that I'm a little sad. Summer is coming to a close, and children will be headed back to school soon. I've enjoyed this wonderful time of a more "relaxed schedule," but alas, it's time to start packing up all of the beach paraphernalia and shaking the sand from our shoes.

As we replace beach chairs with backpacks, there is much to be excited about! Our children will be back with their school friends and fall schedules will commence. Instead of visiting around the pool, we'll be cheering together from the football stadiums. And here at FBC, our fall activities will soon get underway. Now is a fabulous time to become part of the Music Ministry's Sanctuary Choir. Join us each week as we prepare music for Sunday worship. **NO EXPERIENCE IS NECESSARY!** All you need is a desire to have fun and fellowship, and we have a seat just for you. It won't be long until Christmas music is heard in the hallways, so this is a great time to come aboard. We meet in the choir room **each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.** We look forward to seeing you!!

*I will sing the wondrous story
Of the Christ who died for me.
How He left His home in glory
For the cross on Calvary.*

*I was lost, but Jesus found me,
Found the sheep that went astray,
Threw His loving arms around me,
Drew me back into His way.*

*He will keep me till the river
Rolls its waters at my feet;
Then He'll bear me safely over,
Where the loved ones I shall meet.
Yes I'll sing the wondrous story
Of the Christ who died for me,
Sing it with the saints in glory,
Gathered by the crystal sea.*

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**PRESCHOOL
TEACHER'S WORKDAY
WILL BE HELD ON
TUESDAY, AUGUST 27
at 8:00 am**

**PRESCHOOL
OPEN HOUSE &
PARENT ORIENTATION
WILL BE HELD ON
WEDNESDAY,
AUGUST 28
at 9:00 am**

**PRESCHOOL CLASSES
BEGIN ON
TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 3**



**Sunday Evening
Meetings
For
Kids Explorers &
Tru-North Youth
will Resume
in September.
We are so excited to
launch our new
Fall curriculum!**



GREETINGS FROM THE
HISPANIC CONGREGATION:
WE ARE HAVING A GOOD
SUMMER WITH MANY VISITORS
COMING TO FELLOWSHIP WITH
US. WE HAVE WELCOMED
TWO NEW BABIES INTO OUR
GROUP WITH A BABY SHOWER
FOR EACH.
HOWEVER, WE ARE SADDENED
BY THE LEAVING OF OUR
PRECIOUS DANIEL SANCHEZ
AND HIS BROTHER GILBERTO.
SICKNESS IN THE FAMILY HAS
TAKEN THEM IN A ROUTE
BACK TO MEXICO. UNDER
THE GUIDANCE OF PASTOR
ALVARADO 20+ YEARS AGO,
DANIEL HAS BECOME A
STRONG MAN OF GOD,
TEACHING US THE WORD, AS
WELL AS BRINGING MUCH JOY
WITH HIS MUSIC. OFTEN HE
HAS BEEN THE BACKBONE OF
OUR CHURCH HOLDING
THINGS TOGETHER.
GILBERTO HAS WORKED VERY
CLOSELY WITH OUR YOUTH.
WE WISH THEM THE BEST AS
THEY RETURN TO THEIR HOME
COUNTRY TO CARE FOR THEIR
SICK LOVED ONES. WE HAVE
FAITH THE LORD WILL RETURN
THEM TO US IN THE NEAR
FUTURE.
"I KNOW THY WORKS:
BEHOLD I HAVE SET BEFORE
THEE AN OPEN DOOR: AND
NO MAN CAN SHUT IT: FOR
THOU HAST A LITTLE
STRENGTH, AND HAS KEPT MY
WORK, AND HAS NOT DENIED
MY NAME.
REVELATION 3:8



The Women on Mission's
project for August will be
collecting school supplies to
help fill shoeboxes in
November for the
Samaritan Purse Operation
Christmas Child. A box is
available near the church
office door for collection
of these supplies.

Supplies include:

- # 2 Pencils/pens
- Notebooks
- Crayons
- Colored Pencils
- Note Index Cards
- Solar Calculators
- Chalk
- Glue Sticks
- Small Adhesive Tapes
- Markers
- Pencil Cases
- Erasers
- Pencil Sharpeners

All donations are greatly
appreciated!



Offering Envelopes

It is time to place the order
for FBC offering envelopes
for 2025.

If you are currently receiving
the envelopes, you do not
need to do anything unless
you have a name or address
change.

If you have never ordered,
but would like to receive
envelopes beginning 2025,
please contact the church
office at 276-236-5185.
We will need to know the
name you would like to
appear on the envelopes and
your current address.

Please contact the church
office before August 21st to
place your order.

There is no charge to you for
these envelopes.



July 2024
Attendance Records

	07/07/2024
Sunday School	93
11 am Worship	139
Evening Attendance	27
Hispanic Worship	32
	291

	07/14/2024
Sunday School	80
11 am Worship	123
Evening Attendance	25
Hispanic Worship	43
	271

	07/21/2024
Sunday School	88
11 am Worship	171
Evening Attendance	28
Hispanic Worship	43
	330

	07/28/2024
Sunday School	90
11 am Worship	162
Evening Attendance	To Be Added
Hispanic Worship	46
	298



Bill Nuckolls, John Garner,
Shirley & Benny White,
Mike Coleman,
Rose Houk, Amy Russell,
Johnny Dillon,

Steve Conley, Mike Frazier, Sam & Nancy Blair,
Frank & Eula Merrill, Joe & Sara Lindsey, Max Brown,
Doris Bedwell & Charley Whalen, & Barry Newman.
Judy Hennis—Waddell Nursing & Rehab—Room 103
Betty Parks—Waddell Nursing & Rehab
Iona Adams—Galax Health & Rehab—Room B17
Pray for all those in the Nursing Home & Rehab Centers
Pray for our country & the U.S. Military & other coalition forces.



Love & Sympathy to the
Dr. Mary Katherine Bennett Family.
Mary passed away on July 13, 2024.
She founded the home for neglected,
abandoned & abused children in
Linefork, Kentucky. This is home the

FBC Misson Team visits and everyone grew to love
Pastor Mary. She was a blessing to so many!

Love & Sympathy to Trish Smith and Family for the passing of her
husband Jim, on July 3, 2024.



Donation by Debbie Adams & Imogene Frye
To the Beautification Fund in
Loving Memory of Dennis Combs

CHURCH STAFF

Dr. Kevin Rosenfeld.....Senior Pastor

Mrs. Wendi Pemberton.....Minister of Music

Ms. Barbara Bourne.....Administrative Secretary
Mrs. Marie Combs..... Financial Secretary
Mrs. Nancy Hazelwood..... Organist
Mrs. Patty Davis..... Pianist
Ms. Lynn Frank..... Weekday Preschool Director
Pastor Kevin Rosenfeld.....Preschool/Extended Session
Pastor Kevin Rosenfeld.....Sunday School Director
Mrs. Penny Adams..... Bus Ministry Director
Mrs. Martha Easter, RN..... Volunteer Health Nurse
Rod Hale..... Sexton

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Church Office Hours:
Monday—Friday 8:30—5:00 Friday—8:30—1:00

AUGUST TEAM VOLUNTEERS

NURSERY

August 4	Tara Spurlin
August 11	Noelle Edwards
August 18	Erica Testerman
August 25	Sally Hill

SECURITY TEAM

August 4	Johnny Dickson—Open & Phil Helms—Close
August 11	Cody Edwards—Open & Nathan Lyons—Close
August 18	Don Houk—Open & John Patterson—Close
August 25	Eric Testerman—Open & David Rikken—Close

WELCOME CENTER

FIRST IMPRESSIONS

August 4	Debra Cone	Joe & Linda Soles
August 11	Linda Cooley	Johnny & Karen Dickson
August 18	Debbie Harris	Don & Rose Houk
August 25	Sarah Keatley	Basil & Nancy Carpenter

TECH SOUND

TECH PROJECTION

August 4	Mike Stevens	Bryan Dillon
August 11	Trevor Anders	Jessica Whitaker
August 18	Gary Ballard	Trevor Anders
August 25	Mike Stevens	Jessica Whitaker

PASTOR KEVIN'S AUGUST 2024 SERMON SERIES

August 4
"The Story of Creation"
John 1

August 11
"The Story of Separation"
Genesis 3

August 18
"The Story of Redemption"
John 1

August 25
"The Story of Restoration"
Revelation 21
Communion Sunday



FBC Blood Drive
For More Information Please Contact
Martha Easter @ 276-233-8884
Or Call the Church Office



BATTLE OF THE BADGES

Respond to the call. **Give blood.**

Blood Drive **Battle of the Badges** **First Baptist Church**

Fellowship Hall
1024 E. Stuart Drive
Galax, VA 24333

Saturday, August 17, 2024
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



Donors needed! Come give blood in August for \$20 Amazon.com Gift Card by email. See rcblood.org/Help



redcrossblood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | Download the Blood Donor App

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**FBC Fiddler's Convention
Good Samaritan Booth
Community Outreach**

**Volunteers Needed
Monday, August 5– Saturday August 10th**

**A Sign-Up Sheet is Located
Outside the Church Office
Or You May Call the Church
Office to Volunteer
Anyone volunteering is admitted
free of charge!**

**A great time to visit with friends and
strangers and to tell people about
FBC and invite them to church!**



First Baptist Church Preschool Program

The Weekday Preschool Program is an outreach ministry for children in our community.

All classes use the WEE Learn Curriculum Guide for their age group. The guide provides a developmental program that allows children to grow and work as Jesus did – in “wisdom and stature” and in “favor with God and man.” Activities are planned so that the children are provided hands-on, concrete learning experiences whereby they work and learn according to their own unique abilities. They are taught through the five senses to help them develop spiritually, physically, intellectually, emotionally and socially. Teachers share songs, books, Bible verses and stories, and conversation as they provide activities in the areas of art, manipulatives, physical activity, books, puzzles, nature, science, home living and music.

The children look forward to chapel each week, led by Pastor Kevin Rosenfeld.

The preschool offers 2-year old classes, 3-year old classes and 4-year old classes. There are two, three, and four day options.

Each class has at least one lead teacher and one assistant.

The Tuition Cost is
\$207.00 per month for 2 days
\$235.00 per month for 3 days
\$260.00 per month for 4 days

FRAN CREGGAR FUND

The Fran Creggar Fund is a fund that was established in Memory of Fran Creggar.

Mrs. Creggar was a Galax resident that passed away on May 19, 1990. This fund makes it possible for children to obtain financial assistance to attend the preschool program.

Some children would not be able to attend without your help!

All donations to the Fran Creggar Fund are greatly appreciated.

For some children FBC Preschool is the only place they hear Bible stories and songs and are taught that God loves them and made them special! Sharing what they have learned, children can often lead family members to know Christ!

Preschool News

FBC PRESCHOOL SENSORY ROOM

What is a sensory room?

Sensory rooms in a school setting are intended to be a therapeutic place students can visit to calm, regroup & refocus themselves. Students can visit for a short time when needed or have scheduled time in the sensory room to explore, imagine, or burn off some curious energy.

A sensory station is simply an area that has been set up with the purpose of engaging kids in play that stimulates the senses.

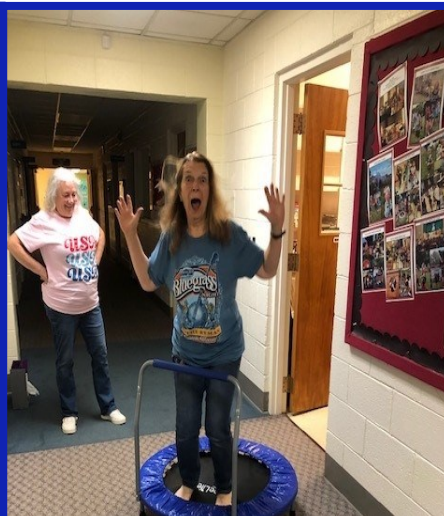
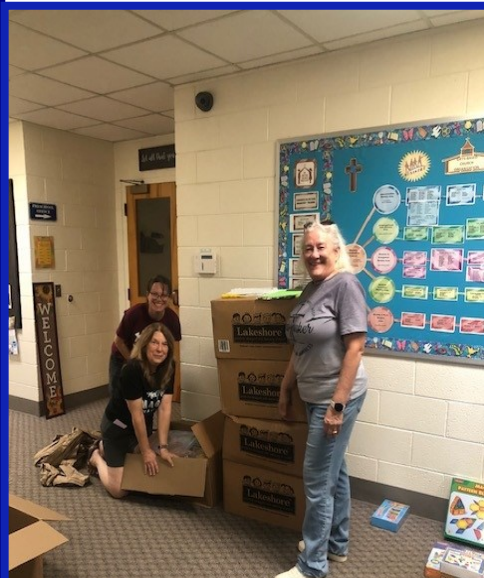
These activities stimulate

children's sense of sight, touch, hearing, taste, and smell.

There are many benefits of sensory play in early childhood, including: cognitive and brain development, language and problem solving, motor skills, creativity, social and emotional development and sensory development.

We are so excited to announce that thanks to a very generous donation, FBC Preschool will be incorporating a Sensory Room into the 2024-2025 school curriculum!

The teachers were so excited when the supplies starting arriving. They have worked very hard getting everything unpacked and organized for the set up of the Sensory Room.



KINGDOM KIDS



**Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the people of the world
revere Him. For He spoke, and it came to be;
He commanded, and it stood firm. Psalm 33:8-9**

**What a fabulous place to worship God and enjoy fellowship
Than at God's creation, the New River!!
Kingdom Kids Youth Ministry enjoyed a refreshing afternoon of
Food, fellowship, and God's word along the
New River in Fries, Virginia.
The evening began with a meal along the New River at
The New River Trail Park followed by swimming at the
Fries Recreation Center Pool.
The evening ended back at the
New River Trail Park
with more food and God's word.**



**Kingdom Kids Ministry is very thankful
for the use of the church van. The church van is essential to the ministry's
Wednesday meetings as we provide the transportation
for the youth and children to attend church.
Jehovah Jireh the Lord is our provider! The Lord will provide! God has
provided for the needs of Kingdom Kids Ministry/Bus Ministry for over a
quarter of a century!**

**God knows what we need before we ask. God goes ahead of us.
He prepared the way. O, Lord,
You know it all! Psalm 139:4 We are His fellow workers. 2 Corinthians 6:1
We try to stay faithful to His command to go and tell all about
the love of Christ Jesus. Mark 16:15.**

**The topics this Summer have been Jonah and the rich man and Lazarus. Listen
to God's call and command the first time. Jonah was given another chance to
obey God. You may not be given a second chance. Life is uncertain. When God
speaks to you, you should say an immediate, "Yes, Lord!" Never delay in your
decision to choose Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. The time is now!**

**Be generous! All things belong to God!
The church building is God's. The church vans are God's.
The church's money is God's.**

**The same is true for you: your house, your clothes, your money, your time all
belong to God. Each of us is to use our time, our money, our skills, our
possessions for the good of God's kingdom to help others and to show love.
Psalm 112:5 says: Good will come to those who are generous and lend freely,
who conduct their affairs with justice. Rewards wait for you in Heaven. For
the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in
Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Romans 6:23 Hell is reserved for those who say No to Jesus Christ.

**FBC Kids CentriKid Summer Camp
July 12-13-14th at Gardner Webb University**



**FBC
KIDS**

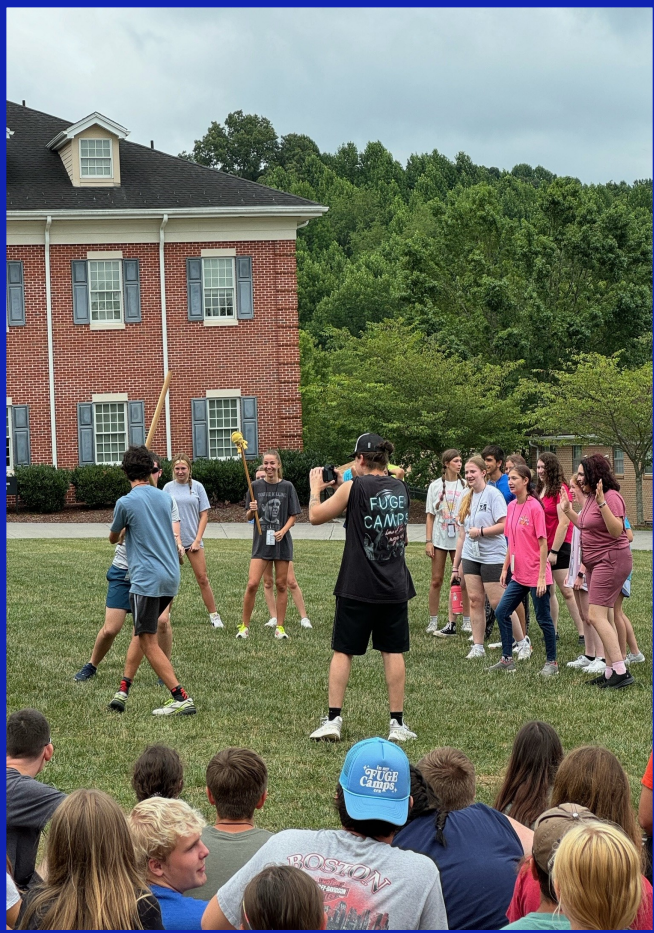




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FBC Youth FUGE Summer Camp
July 15th-19th at Milligan University



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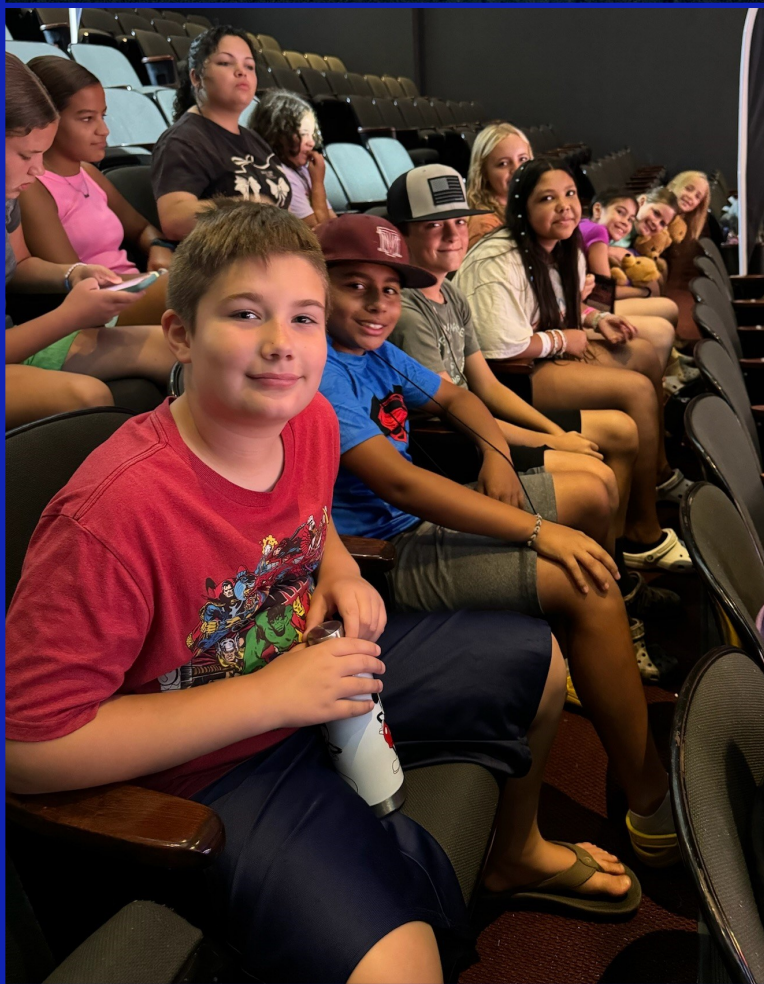
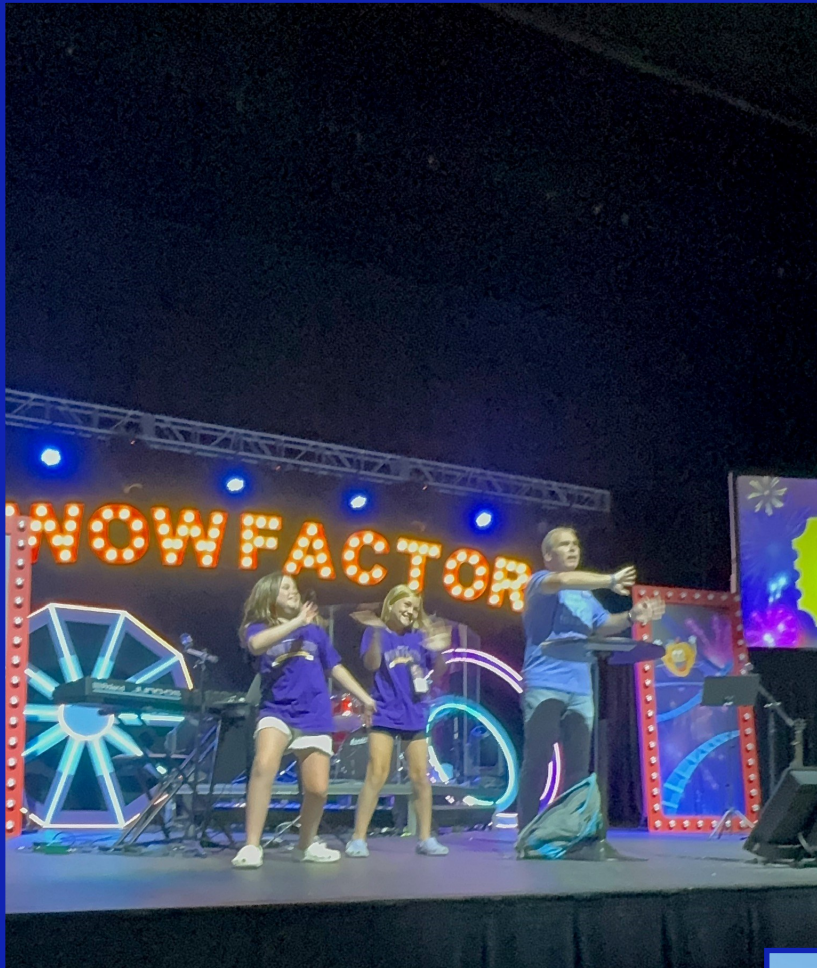
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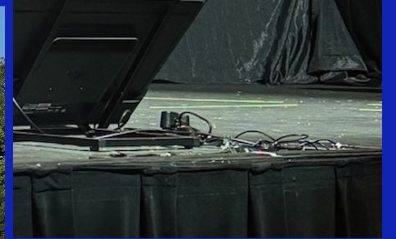




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SUMMER
CAMP
2024



MACHA ZAMBIA, AFRICA MISSION

THE 10TH ANNUAL YARD SALE TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE MACHA MISSION WAS HELD ON SATURDAY, JULY 20TH.

THE MUCH NEEDED RAIN DID NOT STOP THE TEAM & THE SALE WAS HELD IN THE CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL

As of July 29th, the grand total raised is \$7,487.00.

This amount included money raised from the yard sale & all monetary donations. Money raised for the Macha Mission is used to support villagers in Zambia with hospital needs, educational needs and to help support the Mother Shelter.

Dr. James and Mrs. Jaeron DeBoe began the Macha Missionary work many years ago and inspired Jackie Cruz to begin her fund raising project. She started as a little girl and with the help of her family she has been coordinating the Macha Mission Yard Sale for a whole decade.

She was a little girl with big ideas and an enthusiasm and an eagerness to help the people in Macha.

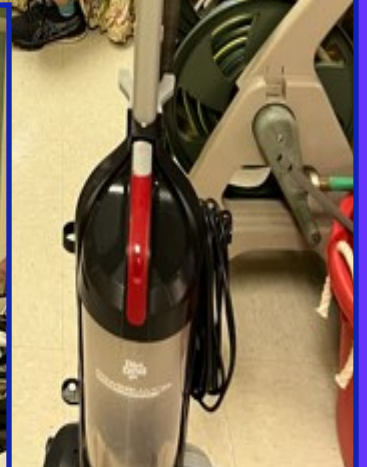
The Sunday following the sale, Jackie gave a very heartfelt Thank You to the church for their growing support and for helping make her vision become a reality.

She thanked the church for standing by her side and for believing in this mission and for supporting her and

"Grandpa and Grandma DeBoe" and all the people in Macha!

God Bless You Jackie -We will be praying for you as you begin your new journey as a student at the University of Virginia! We know God has amazing plans!










SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Elesha Robinson	2	3
4 Sara Hall Marlene Robles Pastor Kevin Rosenfeld	5 Marie Combs Joe Soles	6 James Dowell	7 Ann Carol Roberts	8 Bruno Zatarian	9	10 Johnny Dickson
11	12 Dick Adams, Sr.	13 Arthur Pemberton Ana Zatarain	14	15 Travis Robinson	16 Juanita Jone	17
18	19	20 Mike Coomes	21 James DeBoe	22 Joseph Adams Rose Houk	23	24
25 Larkin Conley	26	27 Debbie Harris	28	29 Debbie Lineberry	30 Cobey Adams Kathy Cox	31 William Bowles Adam Dillon



August 2024 Services & Activities

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service	5  Please have Bread & Desserts to the church by 1:00 pm Fiddlers' Convention	6 Fiddlers' Convention	7 6:00 pm Prayer Group 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal Fiddlers' Convention	8 Fiddlers' Convention	9 Fiddlers' Convention	10 Fiddlers' Convention
11 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service	12	13  Women on Mission Will meet at 11:00 am	14 3:00 pm Parlor Lion Club Meeting 6:00 pm Prayer Group 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm Kingdom Kids	15 Loss Support Group 11:30 	16	17 American Red Cross Blood Drive First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall 10:00 am—2:00 pm
18 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service	19	20	21 6:00 pm Prayer Group 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	22	23	24
25 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service	26	27 Preschool Teachers Workday	28 Preschool Open House 6:00 pm Prayer Group 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm Kingdom Kids	29 Freedom Walk At Felts Park 5:30 pm	30	31



SOUP KITCHEN

Monday, August 5

**Please have bread and
desserts to the church
by 1:00 pm**

**Bible
Study**



**PASTOR KEVIN'S
MONDAY EVENING
BIBLE STUDY**

5:30 pm

Summer Break

**Studies Will Resume
In September**



August 13

@ 11:00 AM

**Please contact
Christy Sumner
for more information**

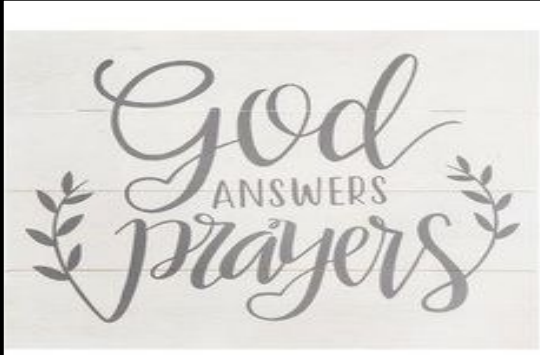


Grief has no timeline

**Loss Support Group
August 15 -11:30 am**

For More Information

**Please Contact
Bruce Thomas or
Call the Church Office**



**PRAYER TIME
LED BY PASTOR KEVIN
EACH WEDNESDAY @ 6:00 PM
IN THE CHURCH PARLOR**



**Join the Choir...
You'll Be Glad
You Did!**

**CHOIR REHEARSAL
EACH WEDNESDAY
@ 6:30 PM**

**If you would like to join the choir,
please see Wendi Pemberton.**



**Kingdom Kids
August 14 & August 28
@ 5:30 pm**



**Tru-North & Kids Explorers
6 pm MEETINGS are on
Summer Break
Sunday Evening Meetings
Will Resume
In September**



**PAPER PALS
Each Tuesday @ 10 am
Will Resume in
September**