



The Sardis Messenger

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Sardis family, I want to begin by saying thank you. Camp Sardis was such a blessing, and I am so grateful for all the work that went into making it happen. Margo, her family, and all of our volunteers did an incredible job leading, serving, organizing, teaching, helping, and loving on our kids and families. Weeks like that

do not happen by accident. They happen because people give their time, energy, and heart to serve the Lord and serve others. I am thankful for each of you who helped make Camp Sardis such a special week.

I also want to take a moment to welcome Paige Turner as our new Worship Director. We are excited to have Paige, along with her family, Will, Abby, and Whit, joining us at Sardis. I know you will make them feel loved and welcomed as they begin this new season with us. Please be praying for Paige as she starts her ministry here. Pray that the Lord will use her in a mighty way, bless her family, and help us support and encourage her well as she leads us in worship.

At the same time, I want to say a special thank you to Chuck Kay for the way he stepped in and led worship during this interim season. Chuck saw a need and was willing to serve, and that means more than he probably knows. I am grateful for his heart, his faithfulness, and his willingness to help our church during this time. I hope you will take a moment to thank him as well. We need more people with that kind of servant heart, people who are willing to step in when they see a need and use what God has given them for the good of the church.

As we move into this time of year, I also want to ask you to be praying for our Nominating Committee. They have an important task as they work through where people can serve in the life of our church. Pray for wisdom, unity, and clarity as they do their work. Also, be praying personally about where the Lord may be calling you to serve. There is a place for you, and every role matters.

Please also be praying as we prepare to elect our next group of deacons and our trustee. These are important positions in the life of our church, and we want to seek the Lord's direction together. Pray that He will make it clear to us who He desires to serve in these roles, and that we will follow His leading with humble and willing hearts.

Looking ahead to July, I am excited that VBS is returning to Sardis on **Saturday, July 11th**. This is going to be a great day for our church and our community. We will have classes for everyone, from **Nursery to Adults**, so there truly is a place for all ages. Begin praying now for this special day. Pray for those who will serve, those who will attend, and for the families who will walk through our doors. Help us spread the word, invite others, and encourage people to register.

Alyssa, Eli, Mattie, and I love you all. We are thankful for each one of you, and we are always praying for you. It is a joy to serve the Lord alongside you, and we are excited for all that God is doing at Sardis. In Christ, Pastor Matt



SAVE THE DATES!

Sardis will be hosting a *“Trauma-Informed Training”* on September 15th at the Sardis Family Life Center. This training will be led by a specialist from the Georgia Mission Board. Additional details to come!

A **WOMEN ON MISSIONS RETREAT** will be held in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains at the Pinnacle Retreat Center in Clayton, GA on September 18-19, 2026. This is a week-end retreat for women of all ages. If you are interested, please see Pam Gambrell, or sign up in the church foyer for additional information.

The Men's Ministry is sponsoring a **CRUISE-IN & CARSHOW** on Sept. 19th at the F.L.C. BBQ Sandwich Plates will be served! See Thomas Griffith for more info.

July Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Due to the extreme temperatures on Wednesday, July 1st, our family night meal and Bible Study will be held in the Family Life Center and NOT at the Methodist Site. Our menu is fresh hamburgers, hotdogs, chili, chips, and homemade ice cream. A sign-up sheet is in the church foyer, PLEASE SIGN-UP BY SUNDAY, JUNE 28th. Bring your favorite ice cream toppings to share!			1 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Children & Youth	2	3 	4
5 10 a.m. Sunday School / 11 a.m. Worship	6	7 6:00 p.m. Men's & Women's D-Groups	8 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Children & Youth	9	10	11 
12  10 a.m. Sunday School / 11 a.m. Worship	13 6:30 p.m. Deacon's Meeting in the new conference room	14 6:30 p.m. Budget & Finance Meeting in the new conference room	15 6:30 p.m. Quarterly Church Conference	16	17	18 8:00 a.m. Men's Ministry
19 10 a.m. Sunday School / 11 a.m. Worship Deacon & Trustee Election	20	21 6:00 p.m. Men's D-Group	22 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Children & Youth	23	July Birthdays! 3 Bennie Terrell 3 David Christopher 4 Lanelle Kay 9 Barbara S. Skelton 9 Tim Brown 9 Theo Skelton 13 Jake Dombrowsky 15 Betty Crump 16 Richard Fleming 17 June Ankerich 18 Mack Martin 21 David Cox 26 Reba Thompson 27 Alyssa Elmore 28 Missy Dombrowsky 28 Samantha Skelton 29 Gage Eberhardt 29 Arch Adams 30 Bobby Powell 31 Zach Gambrell	
26 10 a.m. Sunday School / 11 a.m. Worship	27	28 6:00 p.m. Men's & Women's D-Groups	29	30		