



DEAR CHURCH FAMILY,

Every month I say, "God continues to bless," and that is because God continues to bless. He continues blessing in so many ways. What a praise to God.

We had a wonderful VBS. We had around 180 kids registered with over 100 volunteers. What an amazing week. Thank you to all those who volunteered. And a big thank you to Stephanie for all her planning and preparation. And thank you, David, for all you bring to the kids' experience of VBS. Acteens had a blessed and productive week, with several recommitting their life to Christ and several praying to receive Christ! Thankfully we were able to get everyone back home...haha. Our RAs and their dads had a great time at camp. A group of our High School Youth had a tremendous time doing missions in Atlanta – loving beyond and serving beyond to make an impact for Christ. Praise God!

There are several camps for which to be praying in July. Be praying for our Youth as they will be going to camp July 10-14. Pray for God to make a powerful impact in the life of those youth. Also, be praying for the adult sponsors who are giving their week to go. During that week, Kids' Music Camp will culminate with a musical they will perform on Thursday, July 13 at 6:30 pm. You will not want to miss that. Then we have some of our kids going

to Kids' Camp July 17-20. Pray for God to really bless our children during that time. And then, the big event of the summer is Cola Wars. Be praying for this incredible event which will take place July 24-26. There are already over 300 youth registered for Cola Wars. Be praying for the message of Jesus Christ to penetrate the heart of the youth during this time.

As if that is not enough, we have a "Growing Beyond" event scheduled for Sunday, July 30. We will be at the City Arena once again for fellowship, ice cream sundaes, corn hole, and bounce houses for the kids. Last year was a tremendous time to just come and be around the family of First Baptist. Then, on the following Saturday, August 5, we will have a "Serving Beyond" opportunity by serving North Central High School. All the details will be coming, but make sure to make note of these incredible opportunities to be the church "Beyond 1201".

Lastly, be praying for the new sermon series beginning July 9 entitled, "When Life Happens" as we will deal with the frustrations, pressures, tragedies, and discouragements of life. I also plan to bring a message in this series to help hurting parents. Please pray for God's clarity in developing the messages for this series.

Beyond 1201,

Pastor Rusty





July 30

GROWING BEYOND

The entire congregation is invited to attend a church-wide activity & fellowship in the City Arena - 420 Broad Street @ 4:00 pm

Compete to claim the title of Cornhole Champ, send your kids to play on the inflatables, and enjoy a banana split all while enjoying the AC!







DEACON NOMINATION

FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AROUND CAMPUS

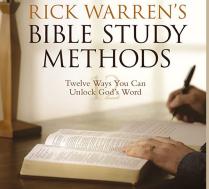
NOMINATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY AUGUST 6



Young at Heart Trip To



July 11 9:00 am



NEW
Bible Study
with
Pastor Phillip
Coming
This Fall

First Celebrations with Pastor Phillip

- VBS was fabulous! We had over 100 volunteers make it
- There were at least 150 kids on campus each day of VBS.
- We exceeded our VBS offering goal for Josh Austin.
 Family Night was a blast as the kids shared with their parents all they had learned.
- Special thanks to the hamburger and hotdog crew.
- A fun night at the Fireflies was had by all.
- Our First Kids Fun Day was a success. Fore!
- We were blessed to host the US Army Band for a concert of patriotic music that blessed all who attended, especially our veterans and their families!
- Two families filled out "Guest Cards" expressing interest
- YAH had a tremendous time of food and fellowship.

- It is always great to celebrate baptism!
- Our student ministry took a mission trip to Atlanta and had the opportunity to prepare food and distribute it to homeless in the area, work with a food bank to package and distribute meals, organize books to send to a variety of African countries, pack more than 1900 meals in two hours for individuals with special nutrition needs, and complete a variety of other service projects during their trip.
- The Acteens had a wonderful camp experience! 27 teens and 4 adults attended, there were 4 salvation decisions, several other types of decisions were shared, 14 girls attended an optional class on how to share Christ in your school, and one Acteen led another girl to Christ.
- The RAs had a great time at Camp McCall.

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE WILL BRING A RECOMMENDATION



AUGUST 6 AT 6:00 PM

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee will be shepherding some updates to the document at the Church Conference on August 6. This will include a request from the deacons to add a step in the Bylaws to their nomination process. Various additions, changes, and removals to some Policies and Procedures (with related updates to the Bylaws) will also be presented. Packets of these updates will be available no later than Friday, July 21, in the Welcome Center, the Fellowship Center, first floor of the East Building, and the church office. These packets will contain only the proposals; the current Bylaws, Policies, and Procedures will be available in the church office for review and comparison.















Share Your Smile

We need your smiles to help WELCOME, GREET & ENCOURAGE others as part of our First Impressions team! Drop by the welcome center for more info.



Tiest JULY 2023

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday

9:15 am - Sunday School - Bible Studies

10:30 am - Worship

Monday

6:00 pm - Ladies' Galatians Bible Study

Tuesday

9:00 am - Staff Meeting

Wednesday

10:00 am - Ladies' Galatians Bible Study 3-3:30 pm - Children's Reading in the Media Center

6:30 pm - Sanctuary Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday

6:45 am - Men's Bible Readers

Saturday

6:30 am - Men's Accountability (Zoom)

for more information and links to register



TUESDAY Church Office Closed for 4th of July MONDAY July 10-13 - Kid's Music Camp - 9am - 12pm July 10 -14 - Student Life Camp

TUESDAY 9:00 am - Young at Heart Trip to McLeod Farms

THURSDAY 13 6:30 pm - Kid's Music Camp Musical

MONDAY July 17-20 - KidSalt Camp

SUNDAY 23 4:00 pm - Fiber Fanatics 4:00 pm - Women in Action 4:30 pm - Love, Serve, Give

MONDAY 24 July 24-26 - Cola Wars - 6-10pm

TUESDAY 6:00 pm - Young at Heart

SUNDAY

WEDNESDAY 26 9:00 am - First Kids Fun Day (Beltline Lanes)

30 Baptism & The Lord's Supper During Worship 4:00 pm - Growing Beyond at The City Arena

JUNE TOTALS

Nonthly Budget Goal\$14	9,690
une Giving\$12	9,405
ear to Date Budget Goals\$89	8,137
ear to Date Giving\$93	5,047

Average Sunday School Attendance..300 Average Worship Attendance.....430

June Designated Funds

WMU	\$55
Building Fund	\$705
Sacks of Love	\$150
CLC Project	\$50
Mini Bus Fund	\$25
Benevolene	\$425
Young at Heart	\$75



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NATHAN MITCHAM

OUR CHURCH STAFF

Minister	Every Member	
Pastor	Dr. Rusty Shuler	
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Minister to Students	Clint Ellis	
Minister of Music	Tommy Sunderland	
Director of Children's Ministries		
	Stephanie Caldwell	

Support Staff:

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Monday - Thursday 7:30 am - 5:30 pm Friday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

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