



Friendship Church  
Loving God...Loving People

# FRIENDSHIP GOOD NEWS

June 25, 2021

From Pastor Mike...



In person and Facebook Live  
Church Service  
Small Groups  
Sunday June 27, 2021  
9:30 AM Small Groups — 10:30 Church Service

**1 Corinthians 4:20** says, “The kingdom of God is not a matter of talk but of power.”

Throughout the Book of Acts, we see God’s supernatural power. The definition of supernatural is “of a manifestation or event attributed to some force beyond scientific understanding or the laws of nature.” Our Great God, who created science and nature, reserves the right to contradict the laws of nature as He wishes.

So the question is - are we experiencing God’s power? Francis Chan writes: “Without the Holy Spirit, people operate in their own strength and only accomplish human-size results. The church becomes irrelevant when it becomes purely a human creation. We are not all we were made to be when everything in our lives and churches can be explained apart from the work and presence of the Spirit of God...The Spirit is more obviously active in places where people are desperate for Him, humbled before Him, and not distracted by their pursuit of wealth or comforts (like we are.)”

Are we desperate for the Spirit of the Living God? The late A.W. Tozer wrote, “If the Holy Spirit was withdrawn from the church today, 95 percent of what we do would go on and no one would know the difference. If the Holy Spirit had been withdrawn from the [early] New Testament church, 95 percent of what they did would stop, and everybody would know the difference.”

Pray with me – “Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me. Have Your way, O Lord. We need You more than ever. We pray for Your manifest presence in our lives. Be glorified Lord. Be pleased to dwell among us. Amen.”

I love you all,

Pastor Mike

# GOSPEL PROJECT

## SMALL GROUPS

Paul in Prison (Acts Epistles)

Sunday's lesson: *"Pressing Toward the Goal"* -Philippians

Classes are currently meeting in person at 9:25 am. If you would like to join online using Zoom, check with your Sunday School teacher as most classes also have zoom availability.



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## WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Join us at 6:30 at the church as we study God's



### Friendship Attendance, June 20

Small group Bible study - 73  
Celebration worship - 108

### Tithes & Offering

Sunday, June 20—\$4,573.00

### Friendship Anniversaries

June 28 – Jimmie & Stephanie Adamson  
June 29 – Dan & Jackie Hinkson

### Friendship Birthdays

July 1 – Jeanie Nance  
July 1 – Barbara Cook



The Gideons International

#### DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS

**We are a body of believers dedicated to making the Word of God available to everyone and, together with the local church, reaching souls for Christ.**

The Gideons International is the result of a meeting between two men who wished to band commercial travelers together for evangelism. What began in 1908 as an Association of Christian businessmen placing Bibles in hotel rooms has evolved into an expanding mission to provide Scriptures to all people in nearly every facet of life. Today, we have taken more than 2 billion Scriptures in more than 95 languages to 200 countries, territories, and possessions across the globe.

We exist as an advocate for the lost, to bring them the saving knowledge of the Word through not only placing and distributing Scriptures, but also through personal witnessing and by associating together for service. As a united force for the Gospel, we remain rooted in tradition, but we operate under the firm belief that anyone can be a valuable asset to this invaluable cause. We provide many opportunities to partner with us through either prayer or financial support. Join us, and let's spread the Good News.

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date	Time	Event
Sunday, June 27		GIDEON SUNDAY
Sunday, July 4	7:00pm	INDEPENDENCE DAY - Ice Cream Fellowship, Games and Fireworks
Monday, July 5		Rock Camp (Church Camp - Cass, AR Monday through Friday)
Monday, July 19	6:00pm	"Rocky Railway" Vacation Bible School (Mon-Thur)
Wednesday, August 11	6:00pm	Back-to-School Bash
Monday, August 16		School starts
Sunday, September 5	9:30am	New Sunday School curriculum launch
Monday, September 6		LABOR DAY – offices closed

**Need encouragement and strength?**

**Join us Friday, Saturday, and Sunday evenings at 7 PM on Zoom**

**PRAYER MEETING**



## Friendship K.I.D.s Korner News



Do you ever find yourself wondering if helping in VBS, or other children's ministry truly makes a difference? Does Jesus really use VBS music, decorations, Bible discoveries, and volunteers to transform lives?

It's natural to wonder about these things because we may not see change in kids' hearts and lives right away. But what if you could fast forward and talk with some kids 15 or 20 years from now? Who would you talk with, and what would they remember?

Take a deep breath, close your eyes...and ask yourself: What's the first memory that pops into your head when you think about VBS, or Children's programs from your past? Is it the music, decorations, or Bible stories? For some it's the relationship with others, and most importantly for some, it's the relationship with Jesus Christ.

As a children's worker or volunteer we might never see the fruits that are produced by the seeds that we plant. But when we get to heaven, how many souls will we see?

You never know. Someone can come up to you in heaven you never met and say, 'Thank you for doing VBS or volunteering in Sunday school or the nursery and being part of my story'. You may be the one who changes lives—and it changes it forever.

That's the ripple-effect impact that serving can have—an eternal one.

As you pray for VBS and our Children's ministry, remember WHY we do what we do.

God has created us for this purpose, for such a time and place as this.



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### Opportunities to Serve

Did you know that summer is a great time not only to get your feet wet in the pool, but it's a time you can get your "feet wet" serving in our children's ministry. During the weeks of summer, there are opportunities for you to serve for one or two weeks at a time. We need help with VBS, Wednesday night, and on Sunday mornings. Please prayerfully consider how God may use you and, bless you and the children in this area of serving.



### VBS Workers Training Meeting

Anyone wanting to help with VBS will need to attend this very important meeting. We will go over everything needed to help make this a great week.

- Sunday July 11th
- Right after the morning worship service
- Lunch Provided

### Donations Needed for VBS

We are collecting items for VBS to be used in our mission project. You can find this list at church or contact Mary Ann to see what is needed.

Blessings, Mary Ann

