

Jesus Loves the Little Children — Camp VBS June 8-12

I hope you are as excited about our upcoming Vacation Bible School as I am! We are looking forward to a time of faith, fellowship, and fun. Most importantly we want to show our kids and the kids of our community the love of Jesus and introduce them to His parables. Many thanks to everyone who has already been involved in planning, organizing, and decorating. It’s going to be a great week! If you are an adult, please be sure to attend each night for our adult class. Let’s consider what Jesus had to say about children as we consider the work before us next week.

Jesus and the Little Children

In Matthew 19:13-15, we read a beautiful account of Jesus’ love for children: “Then people brought little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked them. Jesus said, ‘Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.’ When he had placed his hands on them, he went on from there.” This passage reveals Jesus’ tender heart, welcoming children despite the disciples’ objections. He not only embraced them but blessed them, showing their infinite worth in His eyes. Mark 10:13-16 adds depth, noting that Jesus “took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them,” emphasizing His personal, loving touch. Luke 18:15-17 echoes this, with Jesus declaring, “Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.” At Vacation Bible School, we’ll invite our kids to come to Jesus, just as He desired, through engaging Bible stories, songs, and activities that plant seeds of faith in their young hearts.

Be Like Children in Faith

Jesus’ words in Luke 18:17 challenge us all: to enter God’s kingdom, we must receive it “like a little child.” What does this mean? Children trust without hesitation, love without condition, and marvel at God’s creation. In Matthew 18:2-4, Jesus “called a little child to him, and placed the child among them. And he said: ‘Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.’” Here, Jesus lifts up humility, dependence, and sincerity as hallmarks of faith. A child relies on others for care, just as we should lean on God. In Mark 10:15, He reinforces this: “Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.” As we prepare for VBS, let’s reflect on our own faith. Are we trusting God fully, as a child trusts a parent? Are we approaching Him with awe, ready to learn and grow? By guiding our children to Jesus, we can rediscover this childlike spirit—humble, joyful, and open to His grace.

On Our Prayer List...

Bonita Madewell  
Jim Tyler-in Waverly Hosp rehab room 101  
Jerry Martin-having back problems

Marvin England

SURGERIES: Joyce Long-next eye surg June 9th

Hattie Tate  
Bertha Bradford  
Al & Vicki Peek

W. R. Long  
Kathy Martin  
Bettty Suddeath

\*Eddie Tyler-(Ronnie & Jimmy's brother) while in Alabama had to be hospitalized with heart problems.

\*Shane Cobb-going back in the hospital due to complications

\*Claude Hurt-in hosp-not doing well requesting prayers

\*Nell Cunningham-(Pam Davis sister) in hospital from a stroke

\*Jo Hall- Jimmy & Ronnie Tyler's sister-heart problems

\*Devin Keith-(Morgan Peyton's brother) currently home with follow-up Dr. appts

\*Terry England-(Marvin's nephew) stroke-on life support.

\*Mike Gunn-in Centennial after11th surg on his knee replacement due to infection.

\*Steve Peyton-been diagnosed with Cirrhosis of the liver-running tests to see if a good candidate for a liver transplant.In Washington State

\*Carolyn Wilson-(Madison's grandmother) requesting prayers.

\*Josh Barnett-(Charlotte Heights CoC Minister)benign brain tumor@treatments

\*Dick Acuff-(Joan Long Acuff's husb/Dwight&Connie's cousin) crushed vertebrae

\*Thelma Davidson-(Gwen Bullington's sister) having problems from lupus

\*Chase Lewis-(Vicki Peek's family) having problems from lupus

Ralph Simpson- back in the hosp

\*Doug Simpson-heart -(Ruby England's brothers)

\*Whitney(Bullion)Sager -home recovering

\*Alyssa Gold(R.Proctors Niece)

\*Charles Miles-recovering fr a fall + heart issues

\*Marcia Simpson-(Mike Burn's aunt) now home./

\*Alyssa Gold-(Robert Proctor's niece) in need of prayers

\*Margie Gunn

\*Carlene Davis

\*Margie Gunn

THOSE DEALING/BEING TREATED FOR CANCER

\*KENNY FLEMING—CA meds

\*JIMMY PHY-CA treatments

\*FAYE MARSHALL-(Traci Adams mom) Ca removed-prayers biopsy good on Thursday.

\*ROY DELOACH, JR-(Roy's son) pancreatic cancer

\*MACK WINSTEAD-requesting prayers

\*HUDSON JONES-(2yr old son of Dan & Catherine, Walnut St COC- has Leukemia)

\*DAVID NOWLIN-CA treatments-WCOC Elder

\*DONNA BURNS-WAYNE&ANN BERRYMAN's NIECE)-CA

\*WANDA DOBBINS-(kin to Tyler's)terminal CA

\*JACKIE BORDERS- Lauren Stuart's mom

\*ROBERT GARDNER(Friend of Bill Williams) CA

\*RANAE DUNCAN-(Bo&Amy's neighbor)CA —currently had to be hospitalized while on vacation-asking for prayers

\*CASEY VAILES-(Ranae Duncan's son)also has cancer

\*LARRY HAYES-(fr Waverly COC) restarted chemo

\*MAGGIE WRIGHT-(friend of N. Buttrey) chemo

\*BARBARA BUCCIARELLI-CA-from Tennessee Ridge

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

June 8-12 2025

CAMP VBS

It's finally here! Thanks to all who have already been working so hard to make it a success, could use a few more Debbie cakes, chips & drinks.

\*Remember our Kick-Off is this coming Friday, June 6th @ 6 pm

Lots of fun for the kiddos & good eating for all.

Sign-up list in the foyer.

Our sympathy & prayers to the family of Daniel & Jamie Stanfill on the loss of his grandmother

"Tennie Mae Williams"

her services were held on Monday @ Taylor Funeral Home.

LEAD LIKE THE LORD

Wednesday Night Spring Series continues with 5 more lessons/speakers

June 4th—Wade Tummins- Jesus was Centered: He understood His Purpose

June 18th—Keith Grigsby-Jesus was a Coach: He Trained the Next Generation (Part1)

July 2nd- John Hurt-Jesus was a Coach: He Trained the Next Generation (Part 2)

July 9th-Walter Reid Long- Jesus had character: He Lived a Life of Integrity

July 16th -Mark Forster—How Do You Define Success?

\*Check out our foyer bulletin board for the Nashville School of Preaching & Biblical Studies "Summer courses"!!!

IN F.O.C.U.S.

Faith, Obedience, Character, Unity, Salvation

Our first official week of summer break for the kids was a busy one. Our youth events started on Wednesday morning with our first Breakfast and Bible Study. We had a group of 10 in attendance. We began with a great breakfast followed by our bible study from the book of Mark on discipleship. Our next activity was our zoo trip on Friday. We headed out around 8:15 Friday morning, arrived at the zoo around 9:30 and left around 2:00. We spent the day enjoying all the animals, having lots of laughs, and making lots of memories. I appreciate all the kids that went as well as the adults that helped chaperone. We had a group of 21 kids and adults. Our busy week continues this week with another break and bible study as well as our VBS kickoff this Friday. VBS begins this coming Sunday night!!

In Christian Love, Keith

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

### Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup> 2025

Welcome .....Billy Buttrey  
Lead Singing.....Mark Forster  
1<sup>st</sup> Prayer.....Wayne Berryman  
Sermon.....John Jones  
Lord's Table.....Mike Burns

John Potter	Mike Tyler
Wendell Monroe	Wade Tummins
Todd Mullinicks	Brent Davis

Closing Prayer.....Jacen Robertson  
Collect Cards.....Luke Jones  
& Jesse Kilpatrick  
Greeters..... Not at this time  
Nursery..... Not at this time  
Collect Cups.....Youth  
Security.....Team #3

### Sunday 6PM, June 8<sup>th</sup> 2025

Lead Singing..... Mark Forster  
Prayer.....Barry Phy  
Sermon.....John Jones  
Lord's Table.....Andrew Peyton  
Dwight Stuart  
Closing Prayer.....Caleb Coates

### Wednesday 6:30 PM, June 11<sup>th</sup> 2025

Lead Singing.....John Hurt  
Prayer.....Bill Williams  
Adult Class.....VBS Speaker.....Isaac Bourne

*\*If you are unable to serve...please contact Wade Tummins in advance. (cell 931-209-6291)*

*\*If changes need to be made in scheduling please contact Jimmy Phy.*

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\*If you are unable to attend any service please tune in to our Facebook page or our YouTube page to watch the services. This is NOT a replacement for the command to assemble together as Christ's Body, but a tool for those who may be homebound/shut-in or sick.

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**to view!**



### OUR RECORDS for 6/1/2025

Sunday Morning Bible School	— — — — —	121
Sunday Morning Worship	— — — — —	209
Sunday Evening Worship	— — — — —	118
Wed-Mid-Week Bible Study	— — — — —	128
Sunday Contribution	— — — — —	\$9,084



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2025

CAMP VBS

**SCHEDULE**  
SUNDAY: 6PM-7:30PM  
MONDAY-THURSDAY: 6:45-8:15

Join us for Campfire Talks: Stories with Jesus! We will have classes for all ages!! Kids will have Bible classes, skits, crafts, and snacks.

PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE USING YOUR PHONE TO SIGN YOUR KID UP FOR VBS. WE WILL ALSO HAVE ON SITE REGISTRATION DAY OF VBS

### Schedule of Services

#### Sunday

Bible Study.....9:00am  
Worship..... 10:00am  
Evening.....6:00pm

#### Wednesday

Bible Study..... 6:30pm

#### Elders:

Calvin Buckner

Billy Buttrey	Bruce Mayfield
W.R. Long	Mike Robertson

#### Deacons:

Derek Berryman	Mike Burns
Wayne Coates	Mark Forster
John Hurt	Barry Phy
Robert Proctor	James Ridings
Joe Smith	Dwight Stuart
Ethan Tummins	Wade Tummins
Ronnie Tyler	

#### Staff:

Ministers	-----	Every Member
Pulpit	-----	John Jones
Youth	-----	Keith Grigsby
Secretaries	-----	Terri Tummins Teresa Fleming

### EVANGELISM PROGRAM

Bible studies are ongoing!

**Contin-**

**ue to be:**

1. Praying for those we are studying with
2. filling out Contact cards for us to reach out to

**(Team 1, no cards to work on this Wednesday night.)**

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