VBS Report

Thank you to all who served and prayed for our Vacation Bible School! It was truly a team effort! We had over 95 volunteers who served during the week and it was a great experience for our kids and families!! Continue to pray for our follow up efforts.

Enrollment: 372
Avg. Attendance: 305
Professions of Faith: 14
Children Who Do Not

Food Donations Needed for Falls Creek!

Check out this year's list that can be found at the table in the south foyer! It is a large list to feed the number of campers that attend our week at Falls Creek. Sign up for items you can bring and then bring them to the church by Sunday, July 11. Or, if you would like to contribute toward the food, be sure to designate your gift for Falls Creek! Your help with this keeps the cost of camp down for our families and students. This is just another way you can be part of this year's youth camp! All donations are appreciated!

Every Wednesday in July, 6 p.m. Rooms 121-122

Join us each Wednesday for devotion, sharing and prayer time!

Students

FALLS CREEK 2021— July 19-24
Cost $145 (Scholarships available)

July 14 7:30 pm
MANDATORY Parent/Campers Meeting in The Bunker.

GOD BLESS AMERICA !!

Have Happy and Safe 4th of July !

Special Summer Nights in The Bunker
Wednesday Night LIVE Summer Style
July 7 - 6:30-7:30 pm
July 14— 6:30-7:30 pm
7:30 pm—MANDATORY FALLS CREEK MEETING !!
July 21— No Activities in The Bunker
July 28— 6:30-7:30 pm

BLT MONDAYS
July 12 - 6-8:00 pm
July 26 - 6-8:00 pm

Children & Families

Upcoming Summer Events:

- July 9-12: CrossTimbers Camp (for kids who have completed grades 3-5). Cost is $150. (Registration deadline was June 20 — pray for this camp please!)
- July 15, 16, 9:30-2:30: Disciple Me (for kids who have completed grades 1-2). Cost is $20. Parent meeting is July 14, 7:05 p.m.
- July 21, 6:00 p.m.: Family Water Game Night
- August 15, 9:00 a.m.: Switch Sunday in Connection Hour
- August 18, 6:00 p.m.: Wednesday night activities resume

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OUR SERVICES

Sunday
9:00 a.m.: Connection Hour
10:30 a.m.: Worship

Wednesdays
6:00 p.m.: Children's Summer Wednesday Nights
6:00 p.m.: Wednesday Live!
6:00 p.m.: Adult Prayer Meeting

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June 29, 2021

Falls Creek 2021

July 19-24

...for students who have completed 6th-12th Grades

Registration: $145
Mandatory Parent/Camper Meeting is July 14 at 7:30 p.m. in The Bunker!
Invite your friends now! Registration forms available in The Bunker and the Connection Center!

From the Pastor

Summer is already flying by. We have finished VBS and our mission trip to Memphis. We also had our best month in Connection Hour since the pandemic began. Many are starting to come back and we are seeing a lot of guests.

This next Sunday is July 4th. We will be celebrating our nation's birthday with patriotic songs. We will also encourage you to wear red, white and blue. Yes, It's okay to wear blue jeans. I pray this will be a great day to celebrate the freedoms we have. Come and join us Sunday morning. There will be no Connection Hour, only our worship service at 10:30 a.m.

Our Building and Grounds Committee has started a study of the front entrance. We have talked and heard different ones over the years talk about a covering to drive under and double doors to keep heat and cold out. We have an architect who will give us some ideas without cost. If it looks good and our committee thinks it will work, we will be bringing this to you as a church. If they don't think it will work, we will forget it. Just want to keep you informed.

Be praying for our CrossTimbers Children's Camp July 9-12 and for our Falls Creek Youth Camp July 19-24. Pray that God will touch many of these campers with the Gospel and they will accept Jesus as Lord and Savior of their lives.

Bro. Doug

Music

KEEP ON SINGING GOD'S WORD!

Martin Luther once said, "Music is a gift and grace of God, not an invention of men. Thus it drives out the devil and makes people cheerful...The devil, the originator of sorrowful anxieties and restless troubles, flees before the sound of music almost as much as before the Word of God." Our churches are called to "be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power" (Eph. 6:10). We are not a people scurrying into a corner nursing wounds of defeat. We are a city on a hill, stars shining in a dark world, a people of victory and joy, filled with the powerful presence of the Holy Spirit, serving a Savior who shall reign forever. When we sing, it is a battle cry of hope for the wounded, for the weary, for the lost. Sing of Jesus. Sing of your Lord and Savior and greatest Friend. Sing yourself strong. Sing the Church strong. Show up and sing up. *(Taken from "Sing!" by Keith and Kristyn Getty)*

Ministry Outside Sundays

Friday, August 13th, our church will be hosting a DHS Foster Parent appreciation night. There will be a catered meal, games, and prizes. To assist DHS with this event, we are in need of 6-8 volunteers to simply be around on campus and in The Bunker.

Currently we are expecting anywhere from 200-300 people to attend. This is not only a great opportunity to show our support for these parents, but also a great opportunity to get to know them and have meaningful, Christ-centered interactions with them.

If you would be willing to serve at this event, please call us at the office. I will provide more details for volunteers as the event approaches.

Education

Leadership Needed for New Connection Hour Year!

The month of July will be a busy month as our age-group leaders search for volunteers to serve in various roles during Connection Hour. There are so many talented people in our church and your gifts and abilities are needed to help us in reaching people, ministering to people and teaching people through our Connection Groups. From babies to senior adults, we have groups that have the responsibility to help do those three things. And, it cannot happen without volunteers!

Our needs for this coming year are big! We have a need of at least 10 leaders in our Preschool. There will be needs in children, youth and adults as well. Could it be that this is the year that you leave your adult class to serve in Connection Hour? Here's something you may not know - as good as your adult Connection Hour leader is in their teaching role, you actually learn more by serving! It is true! Plus, you will receive far more in blessings by serving compared to the effort you will expend serving in Connection Hour. Would you get serious and pray about what God would have you to do? Don't wait to be contacted - track down Linda, Kevin, Tim or myself and share what God is leading you to do! We need you for this coming year!

Connection Hour is a strategy to connect people to Jesus, His truth, His mission and His community.

Important Dates to Remember for Connection Hour Leadership

August 15: Switch Sunday
August 15: CCBA Training, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
August 16: FBE Connection Hour Leader Kickoff Rally, 6:30 p.m.
August 22: First Sunday of the New Connection Hour Year

For Your Information

Red, White & Blue Jeans Sunday!

Worship only at 10:30 a.m.

(No Connection Hour)

Sundays 9 a.m. July 11,18 & 25!

The best way to get to know people in our church! Invite someone today!

Monthly Recap

Average Attendance (June)		
Connection Hour Average Attendance		299
Monthly Giving 5/24-6/27	$	128,980
Monthly Budget Requirements	$	117,507
Year to Date Budget Receipts	$	716,430
BFHG 5/24-6/27	$	1,375
BFHG Year to date	$	9,125
Additions 5/24-6/27		4
By Baptism		2
By Letter		2
By Watchcare/Statement		0

A Request from the Financial Office:

If you are making a gift towards "Missions" - please specify which mission to which you desire your gift be applied. This can be done when enclosing a check or cash in an offering envelope by writing in the "other" field Missions—and then the specific mission fund (and writing it in the memo field of your check). If you give online and select "Missions" please put in the "Memo" field the mission fund you to which you desire your gift be applied. We want to make sure that your gift goes to the specific mission you desire. Thank you!

Here's a list of summer activities and more for you to pray for in the upcoming weeks....

July 9-12: CrossTimbers Children's Camp
July 19-24: Falls Creek Youth Camp
July 15-16: DiscipleMe (1st/2nd Grade Day Camp)
- Recruitment of Connection Hour Leadership for the new year beginning in August
- Return of people to Connection Hour & Worship
- Beginning of Missional Communities in the fall

With Sympathy…

The pastor and church family extend Christian sympathy to **Jade Woods** in the death of her grandmother; to **Leah Osborne i**n the death of her mother-in-law; to **Judy Beville** in the death of her mother; to **Karen Flewellen** in the death of her daughter-in-law; to **Janice Dickson** in the death of her mother; to **Rae Ann Spurlock** in the death of her brother-in-law.; to **Jackie Walbrick** in the death his mother

Memorial Contributions

We have received a memorial contribution in memory of **Teddy Tucker** from Jenny Smart and from the Adult 2 Connection Hour Department to the Ann Beadles' Falls Creek Scholarship Fund in memory of **Janice Dickson's** mom.

July Magazines

Be sure to pick up copies of our monthly magazines (Home Life, Parenting Teens, Parent Life) at the display in the south foyer or in the church office.

The church office will be closed Monday, July 5!