

Youth Re+Mind

We are excited about our Mission Trip to Lake Charles, Louisiana from June 12-17. Please be in prayer for our students and leaders as well as those we will be helping while on the Mission Trip. **Trey**



JUNE EVENTS

June 1	Ladies Bible Study, 10:00 AM
June 2	VBS Workday, 2—5 PM
June 3	Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8:00 AM
	VBS Workday, 9 AM—12N
June 4	VBS Workday, 2—5 PM
June 5-8	VBS, 8:30 AM—12N daily
June 8	VBS Family Night, 6:30 PM
June 10-14	Southern Baptist Convention, New Orleans, LA
June 11	Building & Grounds Committee, 12N
June 13	Precept Bible Study, 1:00 PM
June 14	Mid-week Activities (TBA)
June 15	Ladies Bible Study, 10:00 AM
June 18	Happy Father's Day!
June 19	Budget & Finance Committee meeting, 4:00 PM
	Deacon's Meeting, 5:00 PM
June 20	Precept Bible Study, 1:00 PM
June 21	Mid-week Activities, Prayer Meeting, Kid's Summer Program, Youth @ 6:00 PM
	Adult Bible Study, 6:30 PM
	Choir Practice, 7:30 PM
June 22	Ladies Bible Study, 10:00 AM
June 27	Precept Bible Study, 1:00 PM
June 28	Mid-week Activities, Prayer Meeting, Kid's Summer Program, Youth @ 6:00 PM
	Adult Bible Study, 6:30 PM
	Choir Practice, 7:30 PM
June 29	Ladies Bible Study, 10:00 AM

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MISSION STATEMENT:
WE DESIRE TO HONOR GOD BY
LEADING PEOPLE TO
BECOMING FULLY DEVOTED
FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST.



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QUALIFIED NURSERY WORKER NEEDED!

The First Baptist Church of Buda Personnel Committee is looking for a new nursery worker to work on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings for a total of 6-1/2 hours each week on a regular basis. If available, this person will also work 35 hours the week of VBS. Salary is based on experience. We will provide Safe Church training. Please email your resume to: fbcbuda.personnel@gmail.com. Interviews will be scheduled in the evening & in person, 6:00 p.m. or later, Monday & Tuesday.



A Word From Our Pastor

I remember it... games of “Red-rover, Red-rover, let Buddy come over!,” and homemade cookies with watered down grape Kool-Aid to wash it down that left a purple moustache on the face of every kid. Then there were the crafts with Popsicle sticks and tempera-paint, or if the teacher was feeling really adventurous “decoupage!” Yeah, look that one up! There were the endeared Bible stories like “Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego” or “David and Goliath,” the pledge to the American flag, the Christian flag and the Holy Bible, and that little thing they use to do on the piano that told you when to stand up and when to sit down... “da-da / da-da!” Do you remember? Summer after summer it would come! I even remember decorating my bicycle for the “preview parade” down Center Street in Kyle, Texas on the Saturday before it all started. And we didn’t just participate at the Baptist Church VBS we did the same thing at the Methodist Church VBS and any other church in town that was serving “iffy” grape Kool-Aid, kitschy crafts, and flannel-graph Bible stories. Hey, it was a good summer break for moms who weren’t quite ready yet to navigate the kids being out of school for three months. Ahhhh! Vacation Bible School is almost a rite-of-passage for a child growing up in the south, and may be one of the most enduringly popular children's programs churches offer. It’s the stuff of a Norman Rockwell painting!

But it’s really much more than that. It’s more than grape Kool-Aid, Red-rover, and Clorox bottle crafts. It’s more than just quaint narratives from the Bible and memorizing a pledge or two. It may well be one of the most important opportunities in the life of a child to first hear about Jesus! According to Vacation Bible School specialists at LifeWay Christian Resources of our own Southern Baptist Convention, “Vacation Bible School is the most effective evangelism strategy in the Southern Baptist Convention.” One VBS expert says, “The whole point of Vacation Bible School is to lead the children who attend to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Bottom line, that’s it!”

Vacation Bible School statistics are staggering. Nearly 3 million children were enrolled in VBS every year, and that

is in Southern Baptist Churches alone. That number doesn’t even include those from other denominations. There were 94,980 decisions to accept Christ documented in those VBS program in SBC churches. Statistics show that is a 1.1 decision ratio between workers in VBS and children attending. In other words, for every one person trained as a VBS worker in our churches, one child was saved. That is phenomenal, when you consider that statistically SBC-wide it takes 44 people to win one person to Christ. According to that same statistical data 26% of the 364,826 baptisms in SBC churches were a direct result of VBS. Vacation Bible School’s effectiveness as an evangelism strategy among Southern Baptists is indisputable and astounding... and well worth our time, talents, and resources.

But that is not the only reason Vacation Bible School is so important. I believe that there is a Biblical mandate for what Vacation Bible School does. In *Deuteronomy 11:18-19* God is speaking and He says to His people (and to us), “*Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Teach them to your children, talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.*” You may not think that “macaroni-necklaces” constitute tying them as symbols on your hands and forehead, but I’m not so sure! What VBS does is really true to that verse... pointing children to God and His word, and the truths for life contained there.

Pray for our Vacation Bible School, June 5-8. And pray specifically for all the little lives that are likely to be impacted for Jesus Christ through VBS this Summer all around the country and world. ***Summer Blessings to All, Bro. Buddy***

MUSIC NOTES

Summer is here!! I’m SO excited. We are going to have a wonderful time of worship and it won’t be long until we start our Christmas music. WHAT??? That’s right. Come join us in the choir. We’d love to have you.
In His Name, Nancy

WMU

We are gearing up for Operation Christmas Child and will begin collecting various items for the shoeboxes in the very near future. We’d like to remind everyone that you can build your shoebox on-line by using the QR (scan) code on the church website. Go to www.firstbaptistbuda.com and click on **Samaritan’s Purse 2023** (Operation Christmas Child) to build your shoebox. The next meeting of the WMU is scheduled for August 3rd @ 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary classroom. We’d love to have you join us!

Children’s Corner

Vacation Bible School is right around the corner, June 5-8 from 8:30 a.m. until 12N daily. We will have Family Night on June 8 beginning @ 6:30 p.m. This year’s theme is “Twists and Turns”. Please pray for our children and teachers in this year’s VBS.

Our Children’s Summer Program began on May 24th and will meet each Wednesday from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. until August 30th. Our AWANA program will begin again on September 6th from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. each Wednesday.

