



the messenger

a river of hope in a thirsty land

June 2023

VBS!

**June 25th-
29th**



6:00 pm - 8:45 pm (Sunday thru Thursday)

JUNE



WEDNESDAY Nights:

Choir and Fellowship
Kids K-6th grades

Drop off in Treehouse at 6 pm

Pick up on Playground 7:30 pm

We will be looking at Christmas musical
"Joy Story" a classic CCBC production
Fellowship and light snacks each evening
on playground following.

May 31, June 3, June 7, June 14, June 21
July 19, July 26 (we will be off VBS week,
July 5th and kids bible camp week)



PROMOTION SUNDAY:

August 6th! All children will move up to
their new Sunday School
class on this date

We have need of assistant teachers
in the following classes:
4 yr old and 1st grade

NURSERY: During June
both 8 and 10:30 am nursery volunteers
will serve together
in the 10 am service!

We are incredibly thankful for those
serving in our 7 week rotation. Our goal
is to have 8 week rotation to start 2024!

JONAH: Cruise Ship to Battleship 2023

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Sunday Night: Tacky Tourist
(dress like a cruise ship newbie!)

Thursday night: Camo-Battle Ready
(dress ready for battle of righteousness)

Registration opens on June 1st for kids entering
Kindergarten to those who have completed 6th grade.

VOLUNTEER MEETING

...on June 11th in the Treehouse
immediately following the service

SIGN UP SHEETS in the Fellowship Hall bulletin board every
Sunday (See Sharon Magee, Jackie Coleman or Christy
Johns with any questions)

CCA epistola



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Upcoming Dates

Aug. 2nd - 4th - Teacher In-Service

Aug. 4rd - Family Orientation 6pm

Aug. 7th - First Day of Classes

Aug. 8th - First Parent Council Meeting

Sept. 4th - Labor Day

That’s a Wrap

Better is the end of a thing than its beginning, -Ecclesiastes 7:8

We have completed another academic year. Thus, it is a good time to render "praise to his glory" (Eph 1:12, 14). The 2022-2023 school year brought us numerous challenges, but the Lord proved faithful to our needs through each step. Throughout the year and at the end of each year, we evaluate several areas, such as curriculum and staffing, to improve our academic quality and our desire to model Christ-likeness daily in an educational setting.

We entered last Fall with increased enrollment and additional faculty members. During the year, we had significant long-term absences due to unforeseen medical needs among our staff and had to hire new staff and faculty in some areas. As we wrapped up our final weeks, we looked back and saw how the Lord's hand directed our steps all along the way. The Lord's faithfulness gives us confidence as we approach our 10th year this Fall.

As we work hard to finalize our plans for this coming Fall we know who holds the future and trust that he will send us the right amount of students and the specific faculty to meet their needs. We need your help this summer as we work to put everything in place for another year of partnering with parents to equip, model, and mobilize students to be effective disciples through Christ-centered education with academic excellence.

Here is how you can help.

1. Pray: for the Lord to provide an increase enrollment and the right staff in the right areas to fulfill our mission.
2. Give: to the Dana Work Scholarship so we can help families who demonstrate a need for an opportunity to have a Christ-centered education.
3. Volunteer: Be willing to lend a hand or an ear this Fall as we anticipate needing extra people to help students succeed.

Grateful,
Pastor Dave
CCA Headmaster



Dear Recipients of Grace & Members of God's Household (In Christ),

It was an awesome blessing to see God work through many hands and feet in serving **Candies Creek Academy, Hopewell** and **Walker Valley**. Special thanks to Robin Elmer and Candra Gluckner who coordinate our school partnerships! I praise The King for two small teams of members traveling to **North Africa** to show the love of King Jesus to our friends there with little or no access to the gospel.

Ephesians 2:19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are **fellow citizens** with the saints, and are of God's household, 20 having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner stone, 21 in whom the whole building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord, 22 in whom you also are **being built together** into a dwelling of God in the Spirit.

The time has come for one service in June and July at 10:00 with Community Groups beginning at 8:45. We are looking forward to a wonderful summer!

Please keep our functional mission statement in mind: Embodying, through grace, the priorities of a disciple and passing them along in relationship, for God's glory. May the presence of God rest on us as we trust Him as fellow workers for this purpose. It is a high calling to **walk as children of light!** We will continue to open Ephesians until September 3.

VBS will examine our lives in light of Jonah! I hope we are not just focusing on a big fish in this story. I hope we are examining if we are aligning our lives with His plans and purposes for us. This is really living. God makes provision and empowers us to make a kingdom impact. Please be praying for our children and youth as Camp Cherokee and Vacation Bible School provide great opportunities for young people to begin living in and living out the love of God.

Trusting God,
Pastor Stan



Shoebox Ministry

When you think of this ministry, think of busy bees buzzing around--each with their special task to accomplish. That's exactly how it looked on May 5th. Some were putting extra needles in pumps and then wrapping the pumps with the balls; others were finishing the young boy boxes; some were counting inventory; specialists were organizing inventory and walking it to the storerooms, You get the picture...there was lots going on and that's a typical workday. Anyone is welcome but wear your joggers!

Our next workdays are
June 2nd, June 16th and June 30th...we meet on Friday's at 9:30 above the church offices.

PRAISE THE LORD!

Given in May
May Expenses

\$57,295.28
\$81,852.60

2023 Given YTD
2023 Expenses YTD

\$344,674.82
\$376,654.47

Annie Armstrong Offering Total
Lottie Moon

\$7,965.00
\$1,202

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Students CONNECT Night - Tuesdays in June

June 6 - Phil & Peggy Taylor's

June 13 - Dave & Katie Delmotte's

June 20 - Jeff & Jackie Smith's

June 27 - VBS

*(Be watching for
the Youth page
in a few days)*



You're Invited **Wedding Shower** *for*
Kevin Goodwin & Emily Mullins

Sunday June 11th - 2-4 pm - StuB

Registered at Target & Amazon. Home Depot cards are welcomed!



You're Invited
Baby Shower
for
Ben & Zoie Atchley Wilson
Saturday June 24th
10 am-12 pm - StuB

Registered at [Babylist.com/list/baby-zoie-wilson](https://www.babylist.com/list/baby-zoie-wilson)

Our Christian sympathy is extended to:

*Greg Neuendorf & Family for
the loss of his Mother
Eloise Elaine Neuendorf*

*Nate Higgins & Family for
the loss of his father
Rev. Charles Edward Higgins*



Abiding In Christ

“Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me. I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing” (John 15:4-5 NASB).

- 1 What a privilege it is getting to be branches connected to the “true vine.” Let us take a few minutes and praise God for being a wonderful “vinedresser,” the One who sent His only Son into this world so we could become fruit-bearing branches (John 1:1-2).
- 2 Pray for those in your church family who profess to be Christians but are bearing no fruit in their character and actions (John 15:2). Pray that the Holy Spirit will convict them of sin, righteousness, and judgment, and that they will become genuine branches (John 16:8).
- 3 Pray that the “branches” in your church who are producing fruit will joyfully submit to the pruning work of Christ. Pray that the outcome of the pruning will be an abundance of mature, spiritual fruit being produced in their lives (John 15:2).
- 4 Just as Jesus’ first disciples were made clean because of the word which Jesus spoke to them, pray that your church family will submit to the Word of God, a pruning tool God still uses in cleansing His branches from sin (John 15:3).
- 5 Pray that everyone who is a part of your church family will make the commitment to consistently abide in Christ, consciously purposing to daily dwell in Christ’s holy presence (John 15:4).
- 6 Pray that churches in your community will be awakened to the spiritual reality that the only way to bear fruit for Jesus is to abide in Him (John 15:4). Pray that those who are “doing church” without a personal relationship with Jesus will be awakened to the eternal futility of having an impersonal religion.
- 7 Pray that the nature of the vine will be clearly evidenced through the character and actions of your entire church family as Jesus abides in them (John 15:5). Pray that the fruitfulness of Jesus’ life will appear in your church family in such abundance that everyone who sees them will know they are connected to Him.
- 8 There are many people in churches today who are just going through the motions in maintaining the traditions, programs, and ministries of their churches. Pray that they will awaken to the truth that all their effort amounts to nothing before God if He is not the one leading and empowering the work through them (John 15:5).
- 9 Since abiding in Christ is evidence of one’s true relationship with God, pray that those without this type of personal intimacy will recognize the fact that their soul’s eternal destiny includes being thrown away, drying up, and then being burned like a branch that is not connected to the vine (John 15:6).
- 10 Pray that those who are abiding in Christ will purpose to have the words of Christ, His “rhema” or spoken words, abiding in their lives even as they read, memorize, and meditate on God’s written Word (John 15:7).
- 11 Pray that your Christian friends will increasingly pray with confidence as they commit themselves to abiding in Christ and His words (John 15:7).
- 12 Pray that your church family will glorify God by bearing much fruit as they abide in Christ and demonstrate to a lost, yet watching world, that they are truly His disciples (John 15:8).
- 13 Pray that your church family will purpose to abide in Christ’s ongoing love – the same kind of selfless love the Father always demonstrates in His love relationship with the Son (John 15:9).
- 14 In the same way that Jesus always kept the Father’s commandments and experienced His abiding love, pray that your church family will persevere in keeping Christ’s commandments and experiencing Jesus’ abiding love (John 15:10).
- 15 Pray that your church family will know the abundant fullness of Christ’s joy as they purpose to abide in Him and in His love (John 15:11).



- 16** Pray that Christians around the world will love one another just like Christ has loved each one of us (John 15:12).
- 17** The “greater love” of Jesus caused Him to lay down His life for His friends. Pray that we can demonstrate our friendship with Jesus by obeying His commands (John 15:13-14).
- 18** Because Jesus was faithful in passing on to us that which the Father had given Him to say, we can now experience a relationship with God that frees us from simply being slaves to someone we do not know. Pray that we will always be grateful for the liberating work Christ did on our behalf (John 15:15).
- 19** Since God chose us to be in an abiding relationship with Him and appointed us to bear lasting fruit, pray that our prayers will always be in line with His heart, purposes, and will (John 15:16).
- 20** Since God is love and His Spirit lives within us, pray that out of our abiding relationship with Him, we will be committed to love others just like Jesus loves them (John 15:17).
- 21** For those Christians who are abiding in Christ while being persecuted and hated by the world, pray that they will be encouraged today by remembering that Jesus often was and still is hated by those devoid of His abiding presence (John 15:18).
- 22** Since Christians have been chosen by God to no longer walk according to the ways of the world, pray that they will remain faithful to their new walk when those who remain in the world hate them (John 15:19).
- 23** In the midst of persecution, pray that believers abiding in Christ will remember and find comfort in what Jesus said, “If they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you; if they kept My word, they will keep yours also” (John 15:20).
- 24** Pray that those who are actively persecuting Christians will themselves come to know Jesus and the One who sent Him (John 15:21).
- 25** There are many in the world today who have no excuse for their sinful disobedience to God because He has in some form or fashion communicated to them the truths of the gospel. Pray that the spiritual blinders keeping them bound will be torn away, their hearts will be softened to the Spirit’s voice, and they will respond the gospel with understanding and faith (John 15:22).
- 26** Pray for the spiritual deliverance of those in your community who hate Jesus, knowing that their hatred is also extended to God the Father (John 15:23).
- 27** Just as there were people in Jesus’ day who encountered Him, saw His works, and yet still did not respond by following Him, even so there are people today who fail to respond to Him as they should. Pray for the salvation of any you know who fit this description (John 15:24).
- 28** Jesus said there were people in His day who fulfilled God’s Word by hating Him without a cause (John 15:25). Pray for those today who, while abiding in Christ, encounter this type of opposition. Pray that they will not lose heart but will become even bolder in obeying Christ’s commands.
- 29** Pray for your friends who are abiding in Christ to rely daily on the Spirit’s guidance. Pray that they will be bold and courageous in sharing their salvation testimonies with a lost and dying world (John 15:26-27).
- 30** Just as the Father abiding in Jesus did powerful works through Him, pray that the Spirit of Christ will accomplish even greater things through the lives of those abiding in Him today (John 14:10-12).

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<h1>June</h1>				1	2 <u>Shoebox Ministry</u> 9:30 am/Ed. Bldg	3
				8	9	10
4 <u>Summer Sundays</u> Small Groups-8:45-9:45 Worship Service-10:00 (thru July) <u>Camp Cherokee</u> Share Service 5-8 pm/Tweed's	5	6 Cleveland Emergency Shelter Meal Night 5:30 pm - ? Students CONNECT Night/6:00pm/Taylor's	7	8	9	10
11 VBS Mtg./12:00 Goodwin/Mullins Shower/2-4 pm Deacons' Mtg. 4:30 pm	12	13 Students CONNECT Night/6:00pm/Delmotte's	14	15	16 <u>Shoebox Ministry</u> 9:30 am/Ed. Bldg	17
18	19	20 Students CONNECT Night/6:00pm/Smith's	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 <u>Shoebox Ministry</u> 9:30 am/Ed. Bldg	
VBS! JONAH!						

SUNDAYS

Community Groups.....8:45 - 9:45 am
Worship Service10:00 am

WEDNESDAYS

Joy Story6:00 pm
Ladies Bible Study.....6:00 pm
Prayer Meeting (WC).....6:00 pm
Life 122.....6:15 pm

THURSDAYS

Men's Prayer Meeting6:30 am
Ladies Bible Study.....9:00 am
Praise Team Practice.....6:30 pm



"Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves of the sea, the Lord on high is mighty!" -Psalm 93:4 (ESV)



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Stan Gibson, Lead Pastor
Jonathan Kyle, Co-Pastor & Student Pastor
Sammy Parris, Worship Pastor
Christy Johns, Preschool & Children's Director

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1st	Kim Woulfe
4th	Brian Cooke
6th	Noah Burnette, David Hardin, David Shamblin
7th	Craig Brenizer
9th	Robbie Scott
10th	Nathaniel Williams, Mark Witt
11th	Nan Woulfe
12th	Caraline Plank, Sydney Creekmore, Noah Torchick, Piper Brown, Julie Brown
14th	Chloe Woulfe, Dalton Strike, Johnny Martens
16th	Connie Hamilton, Carolyn Poteat
17th	Benton Thompson
19th	Ella Dye, Samuel Parris
22nd	Eula Parm
23rd	Shari Buetow
24th	Jerri Bull
25th	Lindsay Alcantara, Becky Coleman
26th	Reed Blackmon, Katie Delmotte, Jake Delmotte, LeAnn Klepzig, Daniel Hunt
27th	Annette Tweed, Lindel Farris
28th	Debbie Cooke



One Minute Clinic

And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Colossians 3:15-17

