




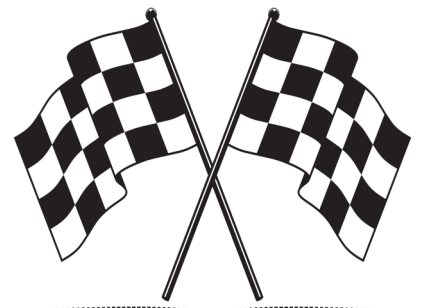
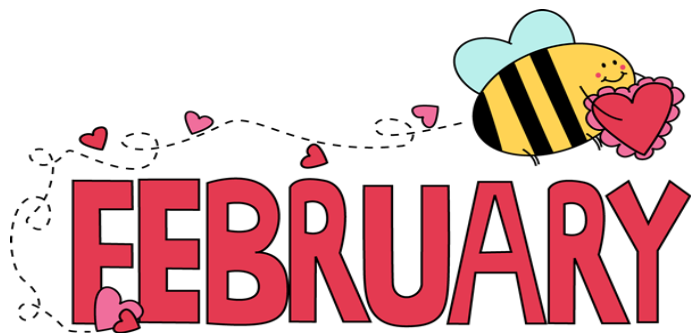
the messenger

a river of hope in a thirsty land

For God
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Life
John 3:16

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February 2025



AWANA GRAND PRIX

AWANA in February is always CRAZY FUN for Missions We will be hearing from some of Candies Creek missionary families every week.

Offering each night to provide AWANA in Bangladesh \$10 provides AWANA to one clubber in Bangladesh for 1 year.



- Feb 2 - GRAND PRIX for TNT club
- Feb 5 - Crazy Hair Night Cubbies BH18, TNT 3.5
- Feb 12 - Crazy Hot Night Cubbies SD 3, TNT 3.6
- Feb 19 - Crazy Hat Night Cubbies BH19, TNT 3.7
- Feb 26 - Neon Night Cubbies BH20, TNT 4.1

Feb 2nd for all TNT clubbers 3-6th grade
4 pm weigh in at the Worship Center
5 pm Race begins

Includes Walking Tacos and
Walking Banana Pudding

Q&A panel of some of Candies Creek
collegiate athletes
Church Wide event with some great
competition, food and fellowship

Children's Church

Children's Church or C4 happens every
Sunday morning 8 & 10:30 am in the
Treehouse. Kids K-4th grade will get to hear a
complete Bible Story, engage in activities to
apply the story, Bible verse or main point,
give for missions as part of worship.

Sunday School

Has your family tried Sunday School yet?
Candies Creek has several options for adults
and also age appropriate classes for your
children every Sunday at 9:15 am.

Babies up to 6th grade have consistent loving
adults who love the Word and children. Check
with Christy Johns if you have questions.

*2025 VBS Volunteer Sign up
at the bulletin board in the
Fellowship Hall.*

*Samuel: Search for a King
June 15-19th 6-8:45 pm*



CCA epistola



“We are humbled by the grace and love given to us as we move into a new ministry assignment, recognizing we have received more than we have given. We are the true benefactors of numerous blessings received by grace through your faith and obedience.”

Upcoming Dates

February 7 - TACS Fine Arts Competition

February 17 No School; Parent /Teacher Conf.

February 21 - 4th-5th Grade Wax Museum

March 6-7 Milestones Testing

March 10-14 - Spring Break

A New Chapter

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. - 1 Peter 2:9

It is time for CCA to turn the page as I have accepted a new ministry assignment to serve the saints at Eastanallee Baptist Church as their disciple-making pastor. This is a bittersweet time for our family, as we will miss our CCBC and CCA families. We embarked on a new journey with open hands and hearts when we arrived seven and a half years ago. During these seven and a half years, the Lord has taught and matured our family physically and spiritually. We are eternally grateful for the opportunity CCBC has given our family to covenant together and the confidence you placed in me to lead CCA. We have labored to see a young classical Christian school move from survival to stability. As *“A School for the Nations”* we endeavored to highlight the enormous needs around the world while welcoming the internationals in our community. We celebrate the academic growth and life transformations in students and families as they mature as disciples of Jesus. We are humbled by the grace and love given to us as we move into a new ministry assignment, recognizing we have received more than we have given. We are the true benefactors of numerous blessings received by grace through your faith and obedience.

This page turn will result in a new chapter for CCA. When you read a book, you recognize a new chapter often brings a new setting, new characters, and, at times, a twist in the plot. Rest assured, even though there will be numerous changes in the coming months, the overarching storyline will continue. What is that storyline? The LORD God has birthed a classical Christian school in the Eureka Valley through the saints at Candies Creek Baptist Church to partner with parents to equip, model, and mobilize students to be effective disciples through Christ-centered education with academic excellence. Your obedient act of faith was done with a view of forging individuals who embrace their royal identity in Christ so they will fulfill their God-given purpose to glorify and proclaim His excellencies among the nations (1 Peter 2:9). We are thankful to play a small part. Now, our prayer is for CCA to turn the page following God’s storyline and move from stability to strength in raising up another generation of well-rounded spiritual and academic warriors to Arise and Tell!

Keep Pressing On,
Pastor Dave



Happy February! As we enter this month, there are several exciting events to look forward to.

First, we will host our annual Super Bowl Party on the 9th from 6:00 PM to 10:30 PM. It will be an evening with food, fun, and football! Boys, please bring something salty, and girls, please bring something sweet.


On the 16th, we will have a Lock-In! This all-night event will run from 8:00 PM to 7:00 AM and will include a trip off-campus for an escape room in Chattanooga from 8:15 PM to 11:30 PM. The cost is \$20, plus money for a late-night visit to Steak 'n Shake. For the snacks we'll enjoy throughout the night, please bring your favorite late-night treat! Additionally, a waiver needs to be signed for the escape room. If you haven't completed this yet, please see Jed for more information. Both payment and the signed waiver are required by February 9th in order for your student to participate in the escape room portion of the evening.

Beyond our events, we will also begin our study of the book of 1st Corinthians, focusing on the theme of "United." This theme will guide us throughout the year as we explore this letter to the church in Corinth, as well as other scriptures. Paul reminds us in 1 Corinthians 1:10: "I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought."

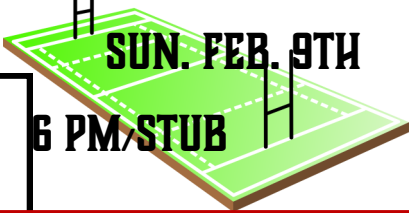
Striving for perfect unity is indeed a lofty goal, but it is one that God has set for His people since the beginning of creation. He created Adam and Eve to be united under God, established Israel as twelve tribes united under one God, and designed the world to be a tapestry of many nations and cultures united under one King. God deeply values unity. This year, our study will focus on understanding what it means to be the church, how we can achieve unity as a church, and how that unity should inspire us to reach the entire world. I am looking forward to beginning this journey of discovering God's message of unity and grace in 1st Corinthians this Wednesday.

Grace and peace,
Jed Cole

Lock-In
Sun. Feb. 16th
8:00 pm-7:00



Super Bowl Party
SUN. FEB. 9TH
6 PM/STUB



**COLLEGE
CONNECT
NIGHT**
SUNDAY FEB. 23RD/VEST'S

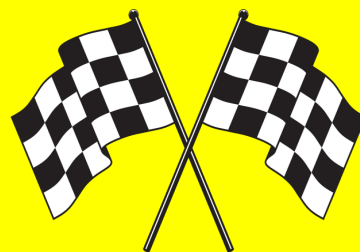


You're Invited to a
Baby Shower

for
Lukas & Lexi Hall
Sat. Feb. 8th 2:00 pm
in the Fellowship Hall

Registered on Babylist

Awana



GRAND PRIX

Sunday, Feb. 2/5:00 pm/WC
(Weigh-in 4:00 pm)

Precept Bible Studies



Sermon on the Mount
starts Thurs. Feb. 6th @ 9 am!

-Text Amy Martin 423-331-8822 to order books by Jan. 22

Book of Revelation

Wed. @ 6 pm & Thurs. @ 9 am thru the summer

Evening class is open to both
Ladies & Gentlemen

PRAISE THE LORD!

Given in January*	\$78,230.45
January Expenses*	\$88,596.60
Lottie Moon Offering*	\$27,362.58

* As of Jan. 29th



WOW! Ladies' Galentine Celebration

Feb. 11th from 6:00 - 7:30 in the Student Bldg.

Plan to bring a treat to share & enjoy being blessed by
Enoch Contemporary Ballet. This event is open to all
ladies from Kindergarten to 100!

You don't want to miss this!

The mission of Enoch Contemporary Ballet is to use
movement and dance in tandem with worship and
intercession to usher in the Spirit of God and present
the gospel of Jesus.



Contacts: **Annette Tweed** 423-309-8623 or
Traci Blackburn 423-421-0618

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry

- ◆ Can you believe that the Shoebox Sisters are starting their twelfth year?
- ◆ Can you believe that the Shoebox Sisters have sent out 14,286 shoeboxes with the sole purpose of reaching boys and girls with the Gospel of Jesus Christ?
- ◆ The new year has begun and the task is before us. How many will be sent out in 2025.....only the Lord knows but the work has begun. Come and join the effort.
- ◆ We will meet in February at 9:30 on two Fridays...the 14th and 28th...above the church offices.

Our Christian sympathy
is extended to:

*Rick Adolph & Family for the loss of his mother
Barbara Adolph*

*Jonathan Kyle & Family for the loss of his father
Johnny Kyle*

*Janice Sprayberry & Family for the
loss of her mother
Peggy Hendrix*



You're Invited

Wedding Shower

Trent Johns & Katelyn Criddle

Sunday, Feb. 23rd - 12:30-2:30 pm - StuB

Registered at

<https://www.theknot.com/us/katelyn-criddle-and-trent-johns-apr-2025/registry>





Dear Kingdom Citizens,

I praise God for how the Bible has been valued among the people of Candies Creek Baptist Church through the years. 2 Timothy 3:16 says, **“All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; 17 so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.”** I repeat Tripp often, “We need the Word of God to make sense out of life.” We want to see believers equipped to disciple and counsel one another with the Word. We want to **cultivate an atmosphere of one-another care using the Word.**

However, people are thoroughly psychologized! Psychology is man-centered meaning that it does not lay a foundation from the gospel as we know it from the Bible. Psychology is not based on the truth that we were created for God’s glory. Pastor Dave encouraged us to consider our faith in this order **FACT >> FAITH >> FEELING**

as opposed to **FEELING >> FAITH >> FACT.**

And Pastor Jed reminded us that Jesus did not say if you love me then you will have warm fuzzies.

Key Concepts of Biblical Counseling

CDC 3 IBCD Care and Discipleship Course

What Is Biblical Counseling? Part 3 Student Handbook Level 1 pages 7-11

1. Biblical counseling is God-centered.
2. Biblical counseling is founded on sound theology.
3. Biblical counseling confronts sin as the source of mankind’s spiritual problems.
4. Biblical counseling is Christ-centered and redemptive.
5. Biblical counseling aims at the heart.
6. Biblical counseling is based upon the all-sufficient and infallible Scripture.
7. Biblical counseling relies upon the Holy Spirit.
8. Biblical counseling is gentle and compassionate.
9. Biblical counseling is not merely for an elite group of professionals.
10. Biblical counseling ideally takes place within the context of the local church.

Living as part of the body of Christ,

Pastor Stan

Praying Praise

"I will give thanks to the Lord according to His righteousness and will sing praise to the name of the Lord Most High." Psalm 7:17

Oh Lord God, our loving Father,
Make us delight in Your law, and prompt us to meditate in it day and night. Guard us against the words and the ways of the ungodly and scornful. We know that You are the eternal King; make us obedient servants who trust in You with reverent awe and complete confidence, for Your word promises that all who put their trust in You are blessed.

When trials assail us, circumstances confuse us, and people disappoint us, we will continue to trust, oh Lord, that You are a shield for us, our glory, and the One who lifts our heads to look to You and to press on. When we cry to You with our voice, we know that You hear from Your holy hill. You sustain us; You protect us; You go before us and with us. Salvation belongs to You.

Blessed are all who put their trust in You! Hear us when we call, oh God of our righteousness. You relieve us in our distress; have mercy and hear our prayer. We know that you hear when we call to You with humble and surrendered hearts, with desire to know and do Your will.

Shine the light of Your countenance upon us, and empower us to be Your light pushing back the darkness of the world around us, speaking truth in lovingkindness. You have put gladness in our hearts, and we thank You, oh Lord!

At the end of each day cause us to lie down in peace and sleep, confidently trusting that You are working out Your purpose and plan in all things. Make our plans conform to Your way as You reveal Yourself and transform our hearts and minds through the study of Your Word.

Remind us and move us to start each day in communion with You, seeking Your will, and walking with confidence and boldness in the way You lead. Give us greater desire for You; grant us wisdom that comes only from You as we seek Your face, listen to hear Your voice, and earnestly live in such a way that points others to You. Creator. Savior. Redeemer. The One True God.

In the Name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

I will give thanks to the Lord with all my heart; I will tell of all Your wonders. I will be glad and exult in You; I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High." Psalm 9:1-2



SUNDAYS

Early Worship Service.....8:00 am
 Community Groups.....9:15-10:15 am
 Late Worship Service10:00 am
 One Another Care Course.....5:45 pm
 Adult Choir.....6:00 pm







WEDNESDAYS

AWANA.....6:00 -7:30 pm
 Life 122 (StuB).....6:15 pm
 Prayer Meeting (WC).....6:00 pm
 Rev. 1 Precept Bible Study.....6:00 pm

THURSDAYS

Men's Prayer Meeting6:30 am
 Rev. 1 Precept Bible Study.....9:00 am
 Praise Team Practice.....6:30 pm



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
FEBRUARY							1 Men's Fellowship 6 pm Tree House 
2  AWANA GRAND PRIX 5:00 pm/WC	3	4	5	6 Sermon on the Mount Ladies Precept Bible Study Begins/9:00 am Delmotte Reception 3:30 - 5:30 pm Fellowship Hall 	7	8 Hall Baby Shower 2:00pm/F.H. 	
9 GEM Team Lunch Deacons Mtg. 3:30 pm Life 122 Super Bowl Party/6 pm	10	11  Ladies WOW Galentine/ 6 pm Cleveland Emergency Shelter Meal Night 5:30 pm-Williams-3E	12 Senior Adult Lunch 11:30 am/F.H.	13	14 Shoebox Ministry 9:30 am - Ed. Bldg. 	15	
16 MDT Mtg. 4:30 pm Students Lock-In 8:00 pm -7:00 am	17	18	19	20	21	22	
23 Johns/Criddle Wedding Shower 12:30-2:30 pm/ StuB Deacon Ordination Ben Vest/4:00 pm College Connect Vest's/6:00pm	24	25	26	27	28 Shoebox Ministry 9:30 am - Ed. Bldg.	29	

Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. -1 Peter 4:8



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Stan Gibson, Lead Pastor
 Sammy Parris, Worship Pastor
 Jed Cole, Student Pastor
 Christy Johns, Preschool & Children's Director

Love one
 ♥ ANOTHER ♥
 as I have
 LOVED
 you
 -JOHN 15:12

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1st		Edwin Plank, Donnie Davis
2nd		Eli Moore, Sammy Parris
3rd		Alex Tweed
4th		Luke Steinle
5th		Janice Sprayberry
7th		Kadence McAlister
8th		Everleigh Simko, Ember Coleman, Vianca Willis
12th		Brooklyn Creekmore, Alan Blackburn, Sr.
14th		Alice Smith, Kelly Allison, Jamie Creekmore, Jack Borders
15th		B.J. Purser, Scotty Smith
16th		Heather Barkley
19th		Wendy Torchick
20th		Dena Loudermilk
22th		Belle Cooke, Elliott Loudermilk Wendy Simko, Graham Delmotte
23rd		Judi Renfro
25th		Peter Hoffman, Shawn Loudermilk
26th		Ainsley Olmstead, Wyatt Smith, Ronnie Casteel
27th		Brenda Carroll, Joyce Harris, Benjamin Geyman
28th		Hailie Elmer

One Minute Clinic

Let all that you do be done in love.

- 1 Corinthians 16:14



A small gathering of students who stayed behind to pray after a chapel service at Asbury University turned into a 16-day revival that culminated with the Collegiate Day of Prayer broadcast on that campus. Tens of thousands of visitors were drawn to Asbury, eager to experience an extraordinary movement of God. Millions from around the world looked on through social media.

Since that outpouring of God's Spirit in 2023, the movement has spread to other university campuses. Thousands of students are showing up at events to worship, pray, and declare their faith in Jesus. Impromptu baptisms are popping up in ponds, fountains, and the back of pickup trucks.

And what is an indicator of the depth of this movement? Bible sales are up by an astounding 22 percent over last year! It seems Gen Zers and college students are largely responsible for this surge. Bibles have been flying off the shelves since the revivals began spreading across campuses.

Let's press in even more and pray that God's movement on campuses keeps spreading and transforming a generation!

1 Praise God for a glimpse of His power in rending the heavens and coming down with a tangible sense of His presence. Pray that God will continue to pour out His Spirit on this young generation (Isaiah 64:1).

2 Thank God for doing "awesome things that we did not expect" as His Spirit invades campuses across our nation. Pray that the revival experienced at Asbury will be birthed many times over (Isaiah 64:3).

3 Pray for an extraordinary move of God on campuses that "no ear has perceived" and "no eye has seen," as God acts on behalf of those who pray and wait for Him. Pray for life-transforming touches from the Spirit (Isaiah 64:4).

4 Thank God that He comes "to the help of those who gladly do right." Pray that students will seek God, embrace what is right, and act according to biblical truths. Ask God to use them to transform their generation and impact a nation (Isaiah 64:5).

5 Pray for hearts of repentance among students on behalf of their generation, that God might not "remember [their] sins forever." Pray that He will look upon this generation and pour out His healing and restoration (Isaiah 64:9).

6 Praise God for renewed interest in Scripture among students! Pray that "everything that was written in the past ... to teach us" might now be a source of encouragement and hope to a new generation (Romans 15:4).

7 Pray that the God-breathed Scripture will be illuminated to students as they encounter the "teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness" that God's Word will bring to their lives (2 Timothy 3:16).

8 Pray that this renewal of interest in Scripture will result in students being "thoroughly equipped for every good work" as they impact their generation with the gospel (2 Timothy 3:17).

9 Pray that the power of God's Word will go forth on campuses and that it will accomplish what God desires in students' lives and achieve the purposes for which God sent it. Pray that every student will seek and embrace God's perfect will (Isaiah 55:11).

10 Pray that the "alive and active" Word of God will penetrate the souls of students as it "judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart." Pray for conviction of sin and repentance to sweep campuses across our nation (Hebrews 4:12).

11 Pray that the prophetic message of God's Word will be "as to a light shining in a dark place" with the hope of Jesus as students embrace the truths of the gospel and share it across their campuses. Pray that they live as voices of hope (2 Peter 1:19).

12 Pray for students to see Jesus all throughout Scripture as the One who has come not to "abolish the Laws or the Prophets ... but to fulfill them." Pray that as they read God's Word, they will fall in love with Jesus (Matthew 5:17).

13 Pray for parents of this next generation to have opportunities to “tell ... the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, his power, and the wonders he has done.” Pray for respect among generations that allows for the joyful expression of love for the Lord (Psalm 78:4).

14 Every generation can learn from trials and hardships that have led people closer to the Lord. Pray for parents to testify of God’s grace to their children so that stories of hope will pass through all generations (Joel 1:3).

15 Pray that students of this generation will seek God “who is able to do immeasurably more than [they] can ask or imagine” according to Christ’s power. Pray for faith-filled prayer to arise on campuses with greater hope for awakening (Ephesians 3:20).

16 Pray that we will see the glory of Jesus on full display throughout all generations. Pray that students will reflect Christ on their campuses in compelling and winsome ways (Ephesians 3:21).

17 Pray that the gifts of God will be fanned into flame in students’ lives on their campuses. Pray that they will walk in the fullness of the Spirit in prayer, worship, and sharing the gospel (2 Timothy 1:6).

18 Pray for a move of God’s Spirit on students that takes away any timidity about sharing the gospel, but instead gives them “power, love and self-discipline” to be bold about Jesus (2 Timothy 1:7).

19 Just as the priests were instructed to keep the fire on the altar burning, pray that students will be relentless in seeking God for their campuses for an outpouring of the Spirit in revival (Leviticus 6:12-13).

20 Pray that students who are in positions of leadership in their campuses will act with humility and remember their roles to serve others with godly wisdom (Matthew 20:25-27).

21 This younger generation has been burdened by a culture that fights against God’s design for them. Pray that “their burden will be lifted” and their “yoke will be broken” as students find their freedom in Christ. Pray that they will live in confidence of biblical truth (Isaiah 10:27).

22 Pray that Jesus will disarm the powers and authorities that seek to destroy this generation with lies and deception. Pray for an awakening among students that leads them to embrace the power of Jesus’ triumph by the cross (Colossians 2:14-15).

23 Pray that God will give students a vision for the future of their generation and the assurance that “surely [they] have a delightful inheritance.” Ask God to give them a passion to pray with hope for their generation (Psalm 16:6).

24 Pray that students will be like warriors stirred up with the zeal of Christ for their campuses. Pray that they will pray fervently like a battle cry as they implore God to “triumph over his enemies.” May they see victory in revival! (Isaiah 42:13).

25 Every one of the 4,190 campuses across our nation has been adopted in prayer with a vision for spiritual awakening. Pray that students on each campus will turn to God and be revived in the hope of Christ. Pray for your alma mater or a college near you (Psalm 80:18).

26 Pray that the Collegiate Day of Prayer on February 27 will be a movement of spiritual awakening on our campuses, that God might make His face shine on them so that multitudes of students embrace Christ (Psalm 80:19).

27 Pray for the Collegiate Day of Prayer broadcast tonight from the campus of Texas A&M. Pray for all the logistics, for engagement across the nation, and for another great move of God in this generation. The day of salvation is now! (Romans 13:11).

28 Pray that God will use this generation to “restore the places long devastated ... that have been devastated for generations.” Pray that through God’s renewed movement on campuses, we will see a nation transformed (Isaiah 61:4).

