



the messenger



*a river of hope in a thirsty land*



**Ruth 2024**

**Kinsman Redeemer**

**VBS - June 23 - 27**

**June 2024**



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**RUTH: Kinsman Redeemer**  
**July 23-27th 6-8:45 pm**



for Kids entering K up to completed 6th grade.  
See the QR code to register your kids,  
neighbors, friends and family

WATERMELON donations for VBS can be dropped  
off at the Fellowship Hall during June. Thank you,  
these are the sweetest of treats for our  
hot harvest workers and field hands.



Want to be part of VBS? Check out the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall

- Bible Study leaders*
- Nursery volunteers*
- Marketplace Tents*
- Grainfield Workers*

Ruth is a unique VBS created and written by the church body at Candies Creek. We have 2 REAL wheat fields where kids will be learning the spiritual symbolism of harvesting, threshing and blowing the chaff from the wheat. We would love to tell you more about our Kinsman Redeemer through crafts and townspeople in Bethlehem Marketplace and through inductive Bible study of Ruth!



**CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

Dates and Times 6-7:30 pm  
Drop off in the Treehouse and Pick  
up on the Playground

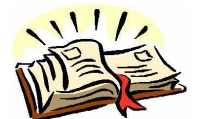
June 5, 12, 19.... July 10, 24, 31

Choir is for kids entering K up to 6th grade.  
(younger preschool are welcome with a parent  
or adult)



**Bible Camp**

**CUMBERLAND SPRINGS BIBLE CAMP:**  
July 15-19th Day camp, vans leaving the church at  
7:15 am daily and returning around 5:15 pm.



**PROMOTION SUNDAY:** August 4th (return to 2 service times)  
Children's Church returns: August 4th  
AWANA Training: August 3rd (for all churches at Candies Creek)  
AWANA Candies Creek Training: August 21st  
AWANA Opening and OMC: August 28th  
Kindergarten Ready! Training in August TBA

Are you interested in serving in  
Children's Ministry in 2024?  
There are some great ways to be part  
of teaching, serving and worshipping  
with kids. Contact Christy Johns for  
questions.

# CCA epistola



*“I do not seek to understand in order that I may believe, but rather, I believe in order that I may understand.” - Saint Anselm (1033-1109)*

## Upcoming Dates

**June 20-22** - Repairing the Ruins Conference.

**June- August** – Dana Work Scholarship Fund

**August 5-7**– Teacher In-Service

**August 6** - Family Orientation

**August 8** - First Day of School

### *Credo ut intelligam - I believe that I might understand*

*But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that day what has been entrusted to me. - 2 Timothy 1:12 (ESV)*

Summer is upon us, and there is much to do to prepare for another school year to begin. This month, we will be securing a couple of teacher openings. Some new students and families are finishing their application process. We are receiving requests for more information and setting up tours to show prospective students our campus. Work has begun on the 2nd-floor rooms in the Student Building. When the project is finished, we will have approval for the Student Building to be classified as an educational space.

This month, our faculty and staff will be provided with the opportunity to attend our second “Repairing the Ruins” Conference in Atlanta from June 20-22. This conference is specifically designed for classical educators. The last time we attended this conference was in the summer of 2019. Our faculty and staff benefited greatly and are still reaping fruit from that conference. We thank all who have given to the “Arise and Tell” fund, which underwrote the cost of the first conference and will subsidize the cost of this year’s conference as well. We anticipate returning with a greater understanding and appreciation for Christian education based on a classical pedagogy this second time. This year’s theme will center on Anselm of Canterbury (1033-1109), who received a classical education and is sometimes known as the founder of Scholasticism. He famously wrote, “I do not seek to understand in order that I may believe, but rather, I believe in order that I may understand.” His statement resulted in future scholars using the Latin motto of *Credo ut intelligam* - I believe that I might understand.

At CCA, we stand firm in whom we believe: Jesus, is the wellspring of all goodness, truth, and beauty. Our unwavering commitment is to pass these values on to the next generation, even in the face of a secular society that tolerates evil, questions truth, and excuses vandalism. We ask for your prayers as we rest, train, and prepare for another year of investing in our students and families, all for the glory of God and the betterment of society.

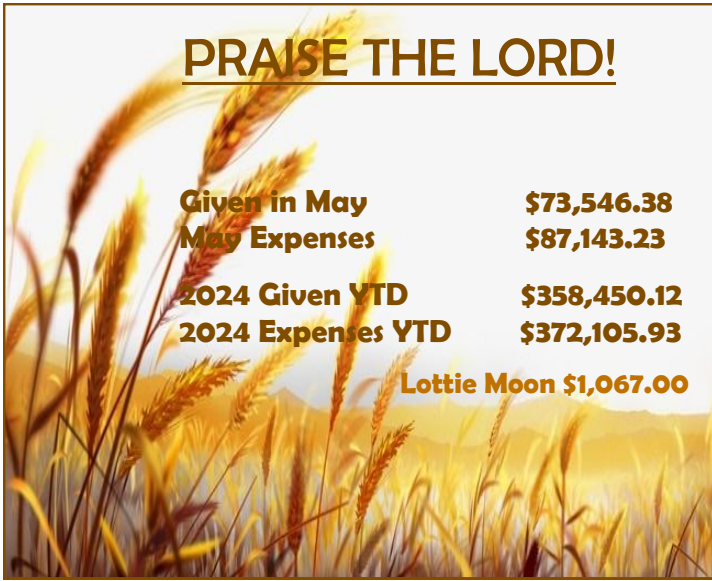
Believing,  
Pastor Dave  
CCA Headmaster

# PRAISE THE LORD!

Given in May \$73,546.38  
 May Expenses \$87,143.23

2024 Given YTD \$358,450.12  
 2024 Expenses YTD \$372,105.93

Lottie Moon \$1,067.00



## Shoebox Ministry



Summertime! Schools out! Vacations have begun! But the shoebox builders are still at it!

1. First a huge thank you! Because of Candies Creek's faithfulness, 400 packed shoeboxes for 2-4 year old kiddos now have paid labels on them. That's a huge praise.
2. We appreciate items suitable for shoeboxes being left in our inventory room. If you see 100% cotton (quilting fabric) at a garage sale, please let us know (423.650.7037) so we can check it out to buy. Our stock for making little girl dresses is running low. Also, we can use twist-off bottle caps from soda.
3. Our June workshop days are June 14th and June 28th. We meet above the church offices at 9:30. Come, join the Fellowship with a Purpose. We'd love to see you!

New Hope  
 Pregnancy  
 Care Center

Return Bottles  
 by Father's Day  
 June 16th



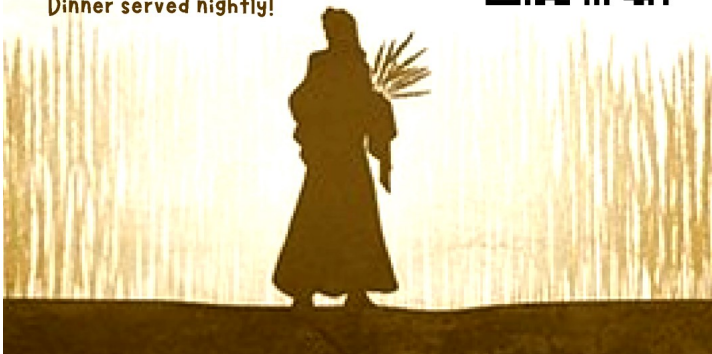
# Baby Bottle Boomerang

A basket is located at the Welcome desk of the Worship Center for you to donate your bottles full of change for New Hope babies

Trust  
 in the LORD  
 with all  
 your heart.  
 -Proverbs  
 3:5



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 Candies Creek VBS  
 June 23-27, 2024  
 6:00pm-8:45pm  
 Dinner served nightly!



YOUTH MINISTRY

JUNE  
 CONNECT

Nights

Camp Share Service Gathering,  
 Sunday, 6-2, 4-7pm/Tweed's River House

Connect-Tuesday, 6-11/Blackburn's/6:00pm

Connect-Tuesday, 6-18/Davis's/6:00 pm



**Dear Parts of the Candies Creek Baptist Church Body,**

Many thanks to all the adults who served and led our students in **Camp Cherokee 2024**. I am especially grateful for the model and pattern of camp refined in the Pastor Jonathan era of leading Candies Creek students. Jonathan Vest did the majority of front-end work for camp, and he was still technically a camper! Riley Brashier and Pastor Dave continue to lead in an awesome way on Wednesday nights and for connect nights. Robin Elmer did an awesome job with the kitchen crew, and those who drove boats kept us going. Matt Coleman had a team of young adult leaders who provided a great atmosphere of lifting our voices to The King and to one another. We survived one extended power outage after the storm the morning of Memorial Day. Our highest night of people staying at camp was 146 on Sunday night. Thanks to many guest and volunteers who helped with some day shifts as well. The students had great energy, and God is always, always, always so faithful.

Many thanks to all who have prayed for us understanding Heather's continued health challenges and rejoicing with us as we build a house to accommodate her health as well as looking for a fresh start in this phase of our lives. **We are under contract for a closing on our current house for June 28th**. The land has been cleared, the foundation has been dug and the footers are soon to be poured so we are under way and excited. Please keep bathing this in prayer along with us.

I praise God that He continues to stretch us...

...to provide for us...

...to be the source of our strength...

in this time of transition after sending Pastor Jonathan to Eastanallee.

The bible is our basis.

Prayer is our power.

**God's glory is our goal.**

Living in the love of God,  
Pastor Stan

Peter and John's encounter with a lame man left people "filled with wonder and amazement" (Acts 3:10). The man tried to beg a little money from the apostles, but Peter declared he had no silver or gold. Instead, Peter pulled him up to stand on his instantly healed feet and ankles!

In the powerful name of Jesus Christ, this man's world was turned upside-down. Witnesses were astonished and questioned how it was possible. Peter launched into an opportune sermon about their guilt in "killing the author of life who was then raised from the dead by God." This man was healed in the power of Jesus' name alone!

Peter then issued a life-transforming, reviving invitation: "Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you—even Jesus" (Acts 3:19-20).

This is an ongoing invitation to us today. Repent, turn to God, and be refreshed, revived, and restored. God is always ready to do a fresh work in the hearts of those who seek Him.

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1 Praise God that it is His heart and pleasure to refresh you each day with His power and presence. He is ever faithful and "his mercies begin afresh every morning" (Lamentations 3:22-23).

2 Praise God that He brings health and healing, so that His people might "enjoy abundant peace and security." Pray for your heart to know His peace today (Jeremiah 33:6).

3 Let your heart be renewed in your praise to God today—and be reminded of all His benefits: He "forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases." A revived heart is renewed with hope each day (Psalm 103:1-3).

4 Ask God to remind you of the many answers to prayer and the wonders He has done in your life. Reflecting on God's faithfulness brings refreshing to one's heart and stirs up a new confidence to walk in complete trust (Deuteronomy 10:21).

5 Offering your praise to God brings renewal to your heart. Declare to the Lord today, "My mouth is filled with your praise, declaring your splendor all day long" (Psalm 71:8).

6 God is drawn to the humble heart and promises His refreshing work of "riches and honor and life" to those who walk in humility before Him. Declare to the Lord that greater humility is your desire (Proverbs 22:4).

7 God promises to answer the prayers of the humble with forgiveness and even the hope of healing of a land. Pray that your heart will be renewed with hope for our nation as you pray for healing from God (2 Chronicles 7:14).

8 Ask God to refresh your heart through a new commitment to humility, knowing that He "guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way" (Psalm 25:9).

9 Humility is never a posture of defeat! It is God's means of refreshing your heart, "For the Lord takes delight in his people; he crowns the humble with victory." Pray that your heart is aligned with God in victory (Psalm 149:4).

10 A revived heart reflects the character of Christ. Pray that God will overflow in you "compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience" that demonstrates Jesus to others (Colossians 3:12).

11 Repentance and confession of sin leads to a cleansing only God can give. Pray for the Spirit's conviction. Be specific in confession—and be refreshed (1 John 1:9).

12 One of the most liberating and reviving Scripture is "Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord." Invite the Lord's refreshing work in your heart (Acts 3:19).

13 John the Baptist told the Jewish leaders they must “produce fruit in keeping with repentance.” Pray that your life bears great fruit through the forgiveness of your sins and the refreshing of your soul (Matthew 3:8).

14 The Lord promised that “if you repent, I will restore you that you may serve me.” Ask God to give you a repentant heart that is daily restored to all His Kingdom purposes for you (Jeremiah 15:19).

15 Jesus’ first recorded message was a joyful announcement that the Kingdom of God is here! To enter fully, one must “repent and believe the good news.” Pray for the renewal of your heart and unreserved engagement with the Lord (Mark 1:15).

16 The Lord promises to “revive the spirit of the lowly and revive the heart of the contrite.” Pray for the right posture toward sin that frees your heart to be refreshed and renewed in the Lord (Isaiah 57:15).

17 By delighting in the Lord, “he will give you the desires of your heart.” Invite God to refresh your heart, hear your prayers, and show Himself powerful in meeting your every need (Psalm 37:4).

18 God promises those who walk in meekness of heart “will inherit the land and enjoy peace and prosperity.” Invite the Lord to refresh your heart with a quietness and gentleness that pleases Him (Psalm 37:11).

19 The pure in heart are blessed and “will see God.” Pray for God to stir in you a longing for purity of heart and the tenacity to stand against evil that seeks to entangle you (Matthew 5:8).

20 Refreshing of the heart comes to those who wait for the Lord. As you wait for His answers to your prayers for revival, “be strong and take heart.” Pray for trust in His timing coupled with anticipation of His outpouring (Psalm 27:14).

21 God promises salvation and healing of our souls when we seek and praise Him. Envision how your heart needs healing and refreshing—and boldly seek God for what only He can do (Jeremiah 17:14).

22 A revived heart is a Spirit-filled heart because “God’s love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.” Ask the Spirit to use you to reflect the love of God to others (Romans 5:5).

23 When we seek God’s refreshing of our hearts, we will be “transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory.” Imagine the joy of others seeing Jesus and His glory in you! Pray that you are a wonderful reflector of all things Jesus (2 Corinthians 3:18).

24 Through transformed hearts, we are designed as new people, “created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.” Pray that you will be Spirit-filled and empowered by Christ to point others to the true God (Ephesians 4:24).

25 What a promise that “where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom!” Pray that your heart is renewed and strengthened each day as you walk in the freedom of Christ—forgiven and redeemed (2 Corinthians 3:17).

26 Pray that your heart will reflect all the fullness of the fruit of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23).

27 Don’t lose heart! The world may seem dark, but there is an eternal glory that awaits you. Pray for God to daily refresh your hope in Jesus alone (2 Corinthians 4:16-18).

28 Pray that the God of hope will “fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him.” A revived heart overflows with hope by the power of the Spirit. May that be said of you! (Romans 15:13).

29 With our hearts are fixed on Jesus, we can be “joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.” Pray that you and your family will never waver from hearts that are faithful to Christ (Romans 12:12).

30 Praise God that “he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.” Thank Him for His fresh work in your heart—now and forever! (1 Peter 1:3).

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<p><b>2</b> <u>Summer Sundays</u> Small Groups-8:45-9:45 Worship Service-10:00 (thru July)</p> <hr/> <p>CAMP SHARE Service Gathering/4-7 pm/ Tweed's River House</p>	3	4	5	6	7	8 
9  Deacons Mtg. 4:30 pm	10	11  Cleveland Emergency Shelter Meal Night 5:30 pm - Blackmon/ <u>Holding Fast</u> Students CONNECT Night 6:00pm/Blackburn's	12	13	14 <u>Shoebox Ministry</u> 9:30 am/Ed. Bldg 	15
16  Happy Father's Day! VBS Meeting After Worship Service/F.H.	17	18  Students CONNECT Night 6:00pm/Davis's	19	20	21	22 
23	24	25	26	27	28 <u>Shoebox Ministry</u> 9:30 am/Ed. Bldg	29
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**SUNDAYS**

Community Groups.....8:45 - 9:45 am  
Worship Service .....10:00 am

**WEDNESDAYS**

Prayer Meeting (WC).....6:00 pm  
Life 122 (StuB).....6:15 pm  
Children's Choir .....6:00-7:30 pm  
Ladies Bible Study.....6:00-7:30 pm

**THURSDAYS**

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



*"...for where you go, I will go, and where you lodge, I will lodge.  
Your people shall be my people, and your God, my God." -Ruth 1:16*





CANDIES CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH  
 294 OLD EUREKA RD.  
 CHARLESTON, TN 37310

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



## BIRTHDAYS

1st	Kim Woulfe
4th	Bryan Cooke
6th	Noah Burnette
9th	Robbie Scott
10th	Nathaniel Williams, Mark Witt
12th	Caraline Plank, Sydney Creekmore, Piper Brown, Noah Torchick
13th	Lauren Carroll
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	Katie Delmotte, LeAnn Klepzig, Reed Blackmon, Jake Delmotte, Daniel Hunt
27th	Annette Tweed, Lindel Farris



## One Minute Clinic

**COUNT IT ALL JOY, MY BROTHERS, WHEN YOU MEET TRIALS OF VARIOUS KINDS, FOR YOU KNOW THAT THE TESTING OF YOUR FAITH PRODUCES STEADFASTNESS. AND LET STEADFASTNESS HAVE ITS FULL EFFECT, THAT YOU MAY BE PERFECT AND COMPLETE, LACKING IN NOTHING.**

**JAMES 1:2-4**