



First Baptist Surfside

May 4, 2023 Newsletter

This past Sunday night was such a blessing to me! At our Equip 2 Engage (E2E) meeting, we spent the evening thinking about how we can be more effective at outreach. Vacation Bible School is just a month away, and we want to get the word out! We are praying for more than 120 children on our campus for VBS and to make that happen we must invite others!

During our meeting, we posed this scenario. Suppose you are hired at a business. Your job is to get the word out about a new product your company has made for children. How would you do it? This led to an hour of filling up a whiteboard with more than 30 ideas as to how we can better get the word out for VBS. There was tangible excitement in the room as we talked about reaching others for Jesus!

We left with many incredible ideas, but at the same time with the realization, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few" (Matt 9:37). We need your help in several areas:

1. Sunday night E2E. We have an incredible team that is making a great impact for the kingdom. Would you come and join us on Sunday night at 5:30pm? The more who go, means there are more who hear.
2. Invite someone you know to VBS. The best advertisement is you inviting those in your circle of influence. This Sunday we will have fliers available for you to take and invite someone you know.
3. Volunteer for VBS. 120+ children would be a tremendous blessing, but would also mean we need more volunteers! Currently we have more than 40 volunteers signed up but still need many more.

Vacation Bible School is one of the biggest outreach opportunities we have all year. Through VBS, not only are children reached for the gospel, but whole families are impacted. Therefore, we need our whole church family to come together and make this the best VBS yet!

In Christ,

Pastor Nathan

Weekly Schedule

Sundays

- 9:00 AM: Worship Service & Small Groups
- 10:30 AM: Worship Service & Small Groups
- 4:00 PM: Choir
- 5:00 PM: Youth
- 5:30 PM: Surfside Kids
- 5:30 PM: Adults E2E

Tuesdays

- 7:00 AM: Men's Bible Study at Bob Evans
- 6:00 PM: Celebrate Recovery

Wednesdays

- 10:00 AM: Prayer Meeting and Psalms Study

Small Groups Meet Throughout the Week at Various Locations

Upcoming Schedule

Saturday, May 6

- 9:00 AM: VBS Workday to Decorate the Church

Sunday, May 7

- Observance of the Lord's Supper
- 11:45 AM: Mission Haiti Fundraiser Lunch

Saturday, May 13

- 8:00 AM: Men's Ministry Couples Breakfast
- 10:00 AM: Youth Ultimate Frisbee at Market Commons

- 10:30 AM: wMu

Sunday, May 14

- Mother's Day: No Evening Activities

Tuesday, May 16

- 3:00 PM: St. Gabriel Devotion

Wednesday, May 17

- 3:00 PM: NHC Devotion

Sunday, May 21

- 11:45 AM: VBS Training for all Volunteers
- 5:30 PM: Church-wide Spring Fling (fun for all!)

Sunday, May 28

- Holiday: No Evening Activities

Monday, May 29

- Holiday: Church Closed

June 4-8

- 6:00 PM: Vacation Bible School

Tuesday, June 6

- 11:00 AM: Grief Care Ministry Begins

Sunday's Worship Guide

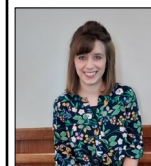
The Church - A Pillar Of Truth Satan Wants You To Just Go To Church; 1 Timothy 4:6-16

Main idea: Satan wants you to just go to church, to buy into the lie of comfortable Christianity, and miss out on the joy of godliness. Instead, get up! Train yourself for godliness!

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- ...to buy into the lie of comfortable Christianity... (6-7a)
- ...and miss out on the joy of godliness. (7b-11)
- Instead, get up! Train yourself for godliness! (12-16)

Welcome New Member!



Please join us in welcoming
Stephanie Cobb
to our First Baptist
Church Family.



VBS Workday May 6

Come join us Saturday, May 6 to decorate our church for the upcoming VBS (Keepers of the Kingdom). We plan to start at 9 and work until it is completed. No special talents needed just helping hands!



Observance of the Lord's Supper Sunday, May 7



Haiti Mission Fundraiser May 7

The Haiti Mission Fundraiser is Sunday, May 7th following the 10:30 worship service. A donation of \$10 per plate is recommended. Plates are pre-ordered and take-out only. The menu is fried chicken, green beans, potato salad, roll and dessert. Register online by [clicking here](#).



Couple's Breakfast, Saturday, May 13

The men's ministry invites all **married couples** to breakfast, Saturday, May 13 at 8:00 AM. Men, bring your wife and join us for a time of inspiration, prayer and fellowship. **Reservations are required** by calling the church 843.238.0206 by Wednesday, May 10.

Saturday, May 13



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10:30 AM

Youth Ultimate Frisbee May 13



10 AM—Noon
Market Commons

STUDENTS AND CHILDREN CAMPS

Crossroads Youth Camp
Anderson, SC: July 17-21
[Register here by May 15](#)

Look Up Lodge
Kid Camp
July 23-26



Sunday, May 21 at 5:30 PM

Churchwide Spring Fling

Food, inflatables, fun for all!



Vacation Bible School: June 4-8

6:00-8:00 PM Ages 3 to 5th grade

We are engaged in an epic battle for the hearts and minds of our children. Every day, they're bombarded with lies about who they are, who their Creator is, and where their salvation comes from. Thankfully, God has given his children armor to wear in this battle between truth and lies, light and darkness, good and evil. With this VBS, your children will learn how they can be part of God's kingdom through salvation in his Son and will be equipped with the armor of God to become Keepers of the Kingdom who stand strong in today's battle for truth. Click [here](#) to register.

Training for all VBS Volunteers Sunday, May 21 at 11:45 AM



Calling All Prayer Warriors!

Please contact Dot Bessinger if you are interested in joining the Prayer Team!