

Opportunities & Events

Event	Date	Time	Location
WMU Meeting	Tues., July 2	6:00pm	Family Life Ctr
Independence Day (Church Office Closed)	Thurs., July 4	NA	NA
The Sewing Ladies	Wed., July 10 Wed., July 24	10:00am	Holcomb Center
Adult Game Night	Tues., July 30	6:00pm	Family Life Ctr

Vacation Bible School

Monday, July 15-Thursday, July 18, 5:30-8:00 p.m.

Invite your friends, relatives & neighbors!

Please save your cans. That's right aluminum cans, metal cans, any kind of cans to recycle for cash. Please put them in a non-leaking plastic bag and bring them to VBS. **Do not bring them prior to VBS.** These cans will be in lieu of the cash missionary offering that we have taken previously. The cash for cans will be given to Camp Hawkins!

Don't forget we still need assistants in the Family Life Center just to help out as needed. If you can help, please text Susan Runyon-Davis at 931-801-1250, email her at missusan55@yahoo.com, or sign up on the sheet in the Sunday School hallway.

May



Received in General Fund:	\$ 19,584.00
Received in Designated Funds:	\$ 47,423.00
Total Received:	\$ 67,007.00
Expenses:	\$ 26,206.00

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The Potters Wheel



"Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand..." (Jeremiah 18:6)

Monthly Newsletter from
Clarkesville Baptist Church

July 2024

Four-year-old Jimmy was on a family vacation and was given quarters for the video game by his older sister. His skills for playing the game were limited, so he quickly went through all his quarters. When he ran out of quarters, he turned to his sister and demanded, "I want more." His sister responded, "Jimmy, in life we don't always get what we want." Jimmy replied, "I hate that rule!"

As I was writing this article today trying to figure out how to use this little story, my phone rings. I picked it up and noticed it was my brother-in-law, Dennis. He is in a fierce battle with stage four cancer in too many places to name. We talked for a good little while. We joked, laughed, cried, and even prayed about his and my sister's battle with cancer. We even journeyed down the road of his funeral requests and more. This was not the conversation I was expecting, but it got me thinking.

In the course of our lives, we do take too much for granted. So please think about a few things with me. When was the last time you told your family and friends how much they mean to you? Have you taken those in your life for granted? Lisa and I moved out two of our kids from the basement apartment this week, and it was tough. Wow, our house is quiet for sure. But, we know they'll be back and others will follow soon.

Have you thought lately about the Freedoms we have in our United States of America. Freedom to vote, to express our thoughts, and especially our freedom to worship and serve our Lord Jesus Christ. I pray we never take our religious freedoms for granted. And may we never take for granted the freedom we have to be ourselves! May we make the most of the time God has given each of us.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve at CBC. Vacation Bible School is just around the corner. The retaining wall repairs are close to beginning, so pray about how you can help financially with this and several other projects that we face.

May we never take our Freedoms for granted! Get ready for July...

Your pastor and friend,

Grady

🎵 From Your Music Minister 🎵

At the age of 27, when he was going through a painful period in his life, the author and composer, Michael Ledner, wrote *"You Are My Hiding Place."*

You are my hiding place,
You always fill my heart with songs of deliverance,
Whenever I am afraid, I will trust in You,
I will trust in You; let the weak say,
"I am strong in the strength of the Lord." "I will trust in You."
By Michael Ledner © 1981 Maranatha Music. CCLI # 1347845

I recalled an event I had written about ten years ago. Although a teenager now, my vivacious, fun-loving, and excitable granddaughter, Macy enjoyed playing hide and seek. Time after time, I enjoyed observing Macy seek Granmommie (Sabrina) and Macy hide from Granmommie. Upon Granmommie's insistence, it was my turn to hide. While Macy was counting to ten, I quickly hid behind the louvered closet doors in the music studio. She came into the studio, but I was very still and quiet. She left to look elsewhere. After several minutes of searching, Macy finally came back, and with a little help from Granmommie, discovered me so very still and quiet behind the doors. She cackled and was so delighted when she discovered me. With Macy's enthusiasm and persistence, it was time to play the game again and again.

While quietly in my hiding place, I was reminded that it was enjoyable not to be soon discovered! Secluding yourself to a great hiding place gives you a time of peace, a time to renew strength, and a time to refocus priorities. God will give us a reason to sing the psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs of freedom and rescue. Do you have a song?

"You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance." Psalm 32:7

Curt

From Your Bible Study Director

"Study to show thyself approved unto God" (Timothy 2:15). If the Lord is willing, this verse should be our Sunday School motto for 2024-25. We are working on Youth and Young Adult Sunday School classes in the Fall. Your help will be a blessing.

Have a blessed Summer!

Linda



Clarkesville Baptist Kids

Summer has been a Blast so far for our kids and their families. If you haven't already, check out the pictures on the CBC Facebook page from our Lake Burton outing, our night at Pitts Park, and our trip to the Clarkesville Square. At each Summer Blast event, we learn more from Romans 12:2 about letting God renew our minds so that we are NOT CONFORMED to this world but TRANSFORMED to live in God's perfect and pleasing will.

None of this would happen without the generosity of time and resources from the CBC family. Thank you so much for all you do to create a fun, welcoming program to help teach families about God's love!

CBKids . . . Love God, Are Kind, Have Fun!!!

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Luke Mize
Chandler Miller
Karen Hunt

CBK Activities

Blast From the Past (CBC)
Tuesday, July 9, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Back-to-School Blast (Stone Mountain)
Wednesday, July 26, 2:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m.