

## EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Event	Date	Time	Location
Baptist Women	Tues., July 1	11:30pm	Midtown Grill
Independence Day Celebration	Wed., July 2	6:00-8:30pm	CBC Front Lawn
The Sewing Ladies	Wed., July 9 Wed., July 23	10:00am	Holcomb Ctr
Vacation Bible School	Mon., July 14– Thurs., July 17	5:30-8:30pm	CBC
Adult Game Night	Tues., July 29	6:00pm	Family Life Ctr



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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 2025

In just a few days, we as a country will celebrate our birth as a nation. Please take a few moments to read and meditate on the words of Herbert Prochnow with the title, "I Am An American."

"I have died in Vietnam. But I have walked on the face of the moon. I have befouled the waters and tainted the air of a magnificent land. But I have made it safe from disease. I have flown through the sky faster than the sun. But I have idled in streets made ugly with traffic. I have littered the land with garbage. But I have built upon it a hundred million homes. I have divided schools with my prejudice. But I have sent armies to unite them. I have beat down my enemies with clubs. But I have built courtrooms to keep them free. I have built a bomb to destroy the world. But i have used it to light a light. I have outraged my brothers in the alleys of the ghettos. But I have transplanted a human heart. I have scribbled out filth and pornography. But I have elevated the philosophy of man. I have watched children starve from my golden towers. But I have fed half the earth. I was raised in a grotesque slum. But I am surfeited by the silver spoon of opulence. I live in the greatest country in the world in the greatest time in history. But I scorn the ground I stand on. I am ashamed. But I am proud. I am an American."

Please do everything you can to join in the First Responders celebration next Wednesday, July 2, in the front parking lot. Help us reach out to All who serve us in our great community of Clarkesville.

Let's celebrate together!

Your pastor and friend,

*Grady*



## From the Heart of the Youth Director

This summer, the Lord has gently called me to *simplify* — not just in my own life, but within our children's and youth ministries too. Yes, the parties and events are exciting and fun, but I've been reminded that we must never lose sight of why we're here: to point our kids to Jesus.

In a world that feels increasingly chaotic, this season has become a holy reset for my heart and mind. It's clearer than ever that our calling as believers is to *equip the next generation*, protect their innocence, and teach them truth. The fun matters — but *faith matters more*.

Sometimes all it takes is one faithful adult to speak truth, lend a listening ear, or just be present. If God is stirring your heart in that direction, don't ignore it. These kids need all of us — not just directors or leaders, but a church family who sees their value and is willing to walk alongside them.

As Proverbs 22:6 says, "*Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.*" May we continue to pour into our kids with purpose, with love, and with eternity in mind.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ Please join us for our community-wide Independence Day Celebration on **Wednesday, July 2, between 6:00pm and 8:30pm** on our front lawn. There will be free hotdogs, live bluegrass music, and games for all ages. Enter our Apple Pie Baking Contest and show us what true American greatness tastes like! Trophies will be awarded to the best bakers. *Please have your pie in the Family Life Center by 6:30pm.* We will also be recognizing our first responders. Don't forget your lawn chairs!
- ◆ Vacation Bible School will be held **Monday, July 14-Thursday, July 17, 5:30-8:30pm.** Registration is available on our website at [clarkesvillebaptist.org](http://clarkesvillebaptist.org). Please share with your family, friends, and neighbors.
- ◆ Please save your 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 before VBS.**
- ◆ We are collecting toilet paper rolls for VBS. Please place them in the donation bin in the church office lobby.
- ◆ Please sign up to provide flowers for our Sunday Worship Services. Sign-up sheets are in the lobby of the church office, or you can call the church office.



Angela Brown  
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## May



Received in General Fund:	\$ 24,454.00
Received in Designated Funds:	\$ 1,675.00
Total Received:	\$ 26,129.00
Expenses:	\$ 26,159.00