June 2021 Newsletter



## **First Baptist Church Collinsville**

# Teaching and Training Kids That Rock for Jesus

## Fishing for People

Hi boys and girls. It is starting to get warm and you know what that means—fishing! If you have ever been fishing, you know how exciting it is when you catch a fish. One of the things that makes fishing so great is that it doesn't matter if you're young or old, a boy or a girl—you can still be good at fishing.

What does it take to be good at catching fish? First, you need the right equipment. You can't just get a piece of string, put a hook on it, and tie it on the end of a stick and expect to catch many fish. If you're serious about fishing, you will need a nice rod and reel.

Next, you will need to go where the fish are located. You can fish for something in a mud puddle, but I doubt if you are going to catch anything. No, you need to go to a pond, river, stream, or the ocean—places where you know fish live and swim.

Finally, if you want to be good at fishing, you will need to be patient. Sometimes the fish are just not biting and you have to wait until they are ready to take the bait on your hook.

Our Bible lesson today has something to do with fishing. One day, Jesus was walking along the seashore when he saw two brothers named Peter and Andrew. Jesus knew they made their living by fishing, so He called them to, "Follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people" (Matthew 4:19-20). Do you know what they did? They laid down their fishing nets and followed Jesus.

Jesus wants me and you to fish for people. That means we are to tell others who Jesus is, and what Jesus has done for us, and what He will do for them. Fishing for people is a lot like fishing for fish. First, we need the proper equipment. We need to know what the Bible says about being saved and learn how to share it with others. Then, we need to go where people are. Many people never go to church where they can hear the Gospel. We need to take it to where they are instead. Finally, we need to be patient. Most people will not believe in Jesus the first time you tell them about Him. But if you keep sharing and praying for them many will trust Jesus as their Savior.

If you think it is exciting to catch a fish, just imagine what it will feel like to bring someone to Jesus. Thanks boys and girls. I hope you have a great summer. And remember Jesus loves you and so do I.

Pastor farry

"I am not ashamed of the gospel; it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone that believes." Romans 1:16

#### A NOTE FROM Mrs. Charlotte:

Summer has finally arrived. I know it is not officially summer until June20, but it sure feels like it with the 90 degree temperatures we are having. If you are like me, your thoughts are now turning to vacation time. You probably know where you are going and when you are going, and what you are going to do when you get there. A lot of you will be going to my favorite place, the beach. Sunrise and sunsets are the most beautiful ways to start your day and end your day. I am always amazed at how AWESOME God is. If we sit still and listen, we can feel him around us.

Have you ever asked yourself "Where Does God Go for His Summer Vacation?" Do you think that God would ever like to take a break from us? If you look in Psalm 139:7-10 you will see how David describes how God is everywhere. Even when we get away, God is still with us. I am glad that he is.

God doesn't just "camp out" in one place or another. We should feel good that God is everywhere, all the time. We should remind ourselves that God is by our side, he is our friend and companion, and he loves us without conditions. He never takes a vacation or a day off! He is always there for us.

Take time on your vacation, wherever you are going, to admire all of the wonderful sights and sounds around you. Take time to thank Him for them. Remember that God is responsible for them all. Even YOU!

#### June CHILDREN'S WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

On June 6, Sunday school will be reopening for all age groups. Sunday school will be meeting at 9:30 a.m. Church service will be moved to 10:30 a.m. Drive-In church will continue through July

We will start Children's Church back up on June 6 at 1030 a.m. **Our schedule will be to meet on the first, second, and fourth Sunday's of the month**. This will be for grades **K-5**<sup>th</sup>. Nursery will also be reopening for younger children. We will be meeting in the Sonshine Classroom on the first floor. Children will come immediately from Sunday school to Children's Church. We will not go into the Sanctuary. Masks will be required to be worn while we are together, along with social distancing. Don't forget to bring your Bibles!

We will need new Medical Forms and Permission Forms for the children. Peggy Delancey will make sure the parents and the Sunday School teachers have them. Please fill out and return to your Sunday School teacher.

G/A's, Mission Friends and R/A's will not start back up in June. We will continue to post those lessons on FBCC Facebook page.

#### June Sunday School Schedule:

6/6: Paul's Third Journey

6/13: Paul Was Arrested

6/20: Together in Jesus

6/27: Running the Race

#### Children's Church Schedule:

June 6: "Saul Over the Wall"

June 13: "Safe in a Shipwreck"

June 20: "Be Strong and Courageous"

June 27: "Rahab the Brave"

#### RIGHT NOW MEDIA FOR CHILDREN:

Parents, make sure you check out Right Now Media for great movies and lessons for children. It is free! Go to the website for the church and look under Resources. There are great bible studies for adults too!



#### **GIRLS IN ACTION:**

#### Girls,

For the month of June, we will be meeting Anthony and Riley Driver\* who are Missionaries in Central Asia. Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Turkmenistan are just some of the countries in Central Asia. Just for fun, see if you can locate these on a map. (Page 9). The Drivers have lived in one town in Central Asia for almost 20 years. You will learn how the Drivers build relationships with people who are predominately Muslim in order to share the gospel. Anthony shares God's love by helping villages gain easy access to clean, healthy water.

Use your GA books to follow along with our study for June. I will have them for you in Children's Church.

In Week 1, you will discover how God with His unstoppable power worked through Gideon to save Israel from the Midianites. (Page. 7).

- In Week 2, you will learn how Anthony and Riley Driver share God's unstoppable message in Central Asia. You will also learn the sights, sounds, and smells of Central Asia. (Page 11)
- In Week 3, you will learn how clean water changes lives (page 12).
- Week 4, you will learn about Pure Water, Pure Love! a mission project we have sponsored here at our church (page15).
- Watch the FBCC Facebook page for postings on Wednesday nights for GA's. Work along in your GA World book each week as we share. Make sure you look at the MK kids that are having birthdays for the month. Say a prayer for them and their families.

#### **Mission Friends:**

### Ages 2-5 (Pre-K)

Missionary:

Anthony & Riley Driver

Mission Area:

Central Asia

Pray for Anthony and Riley as they minister to people in Central Asia.

## Save the Date:

**VBS** 

July 18-22





Ages 2 years—8th Grade Sundays 4:00-5:00

We will meet June 6 & 13 in the Breezeway and then break for the summer. We plan to resume Awana as usual in August, when the new school year begins.