

September Nursery & Children Volunteers

Sunday

Date	Children's Church	Nursery
9/3	Michael Dennis Christy Wright	Babies: Jay & Marsha Curry 2 Year Olds: Jeanette Stewart & Lydia Stewart 3 Year Olds: Stacey Guin & Emily Guin
9/10	Matt & Shelley Hale LJ Alvarado	Babies: Carol Embrey & Cathy Ray 2 Year Olds: Deanna Cornish & Addison Cornish 3 Year Olds: Amanda Thompson
9/17	Angel Combs Miller Roberts	Babies: Darlene Mayatt & Sara Bowden 2 Year Olds: Landri Riley & Chris Jaeger 3 Year Olds Shari Davis
9/24	Justin & Jamye Seale Connie Lane	Babies: Ashley Embrey & Meagan Wilborn 2 Year Olds: Adam Embrey & Family 3 Year Olds: Adam Embrey & Family

Wednesday

Date	Nursery	AWANA Listeners
9/6	Donna Cook	T&T: Kane Combs, Susan Combs, Lynn Martin, Adam Stewart Sparks: Emily Guin
9/13	Melissa Dutton	T&T: Andrew & Casadi Lee, Lisa Scarbrough, Kim Griffin, Sandy Temple Sparks: Ashley Mercado
9/20	Jada Harris	T&T: Brooke Hughes, Shelley Hale, Jordan Bucurel, Joe Mercado Sparks: Renee Creel
9/27	Chris Jaeger	T&T: Jeanette Stewart, Caitlyn Enloe, Stephen & Sarah LeBlanc, Melissa Dutton Sparks: Meagan Anderson

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES


WEDNESDAY NIGHT Meal
5:45 PM
\$5 per person/\$20 per family
Reserve a Meal:
Text 601-917-0633
or Call 601-737-8331
by 4:00 pm on Tuesday!

REFRESH
WEDNESDAY
6:30 PM
DINING ROOM


Awana Clubs
Cubbies Sparks Team Training
3 Years of Age-6th Grade
WEDNESDAYS
6:30 PM
CHILDREN'S BUILDING
9/6- First Night of AWANA
9/13- FAN-tastic Night (come dressed supporting your favorite team)

FELLOWSHIP youth
GRADES 7-12
WEDNESDAYS
6:30 PM
UPSTAIRS YOUTH HALL
Questions?
Contact Pastor Sam 662-889-6004

Schedule and Contact Info:

SUNDAY

Sunday School — 9:00 AM
Morning Worship — 10:00 AM
Worship Center / Fellowship Facebook page
Nursery and Children's Church available

WEDNESDAY

Meal—5:45 PM
Dining Room
AWANA—6:30 PM
Children's Building
Youth—6:30 PM
Upstairs Youth Hall
Refresh — 6:30 PM
Dining Room

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday 8:00 AM—4:00 PM
Friday 8:00 AM—12:00 PM
Phone: (601)737-8331

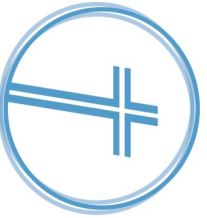

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For everything there is a season, and a time
for every matter under heaven.
Ecclesiastes 3:1



FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

Monthly Manna

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The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

Isaiah 40:8



Reflections

Pastor Caleb Hughes

A Father's Love

With four small children, Brooke and I are constantly evaluating the ways we parent our children. Parenting is hard! You find yourself often questioning your own methods and decision making. When I was a child, I assumed my parents were pros at this, but it turns out they were just winging it the best they could. They did it well!

One specific aspect of parenting that we find ourselves questioning the most is discipline. When? How? To what extent? Where? What is my temperament? What should I say/do? Did my child understand why? It's a maze! We do the best we can and trust that God makes up for our lack. Maybe you can empathize!

Recently Brooke was out, and it was me with the four crazies. There was a moment when one of the kids acted out of rage and ugliness. It was unquestionable that they needed discipline. I took them to our bedroom, communicated the reason for discipline, weighed the method, and lovingly followed through; regardless, it always breaks my heart.

This child is our especially compassionate, deep-feeling child. They screamed and cried as I told them to take their time and they could come out when they were ready. I told them I loved them and discipline them because I love them, then I walked out and shut the door.

About ten minutes later, the child calmly walked out with peace on their face, turned to me, and said, "I made your bed and brought you your water bottle." Then they gave me a hug.

As sweet as it was and as I later relayed it to Brooke over the phone, it subtly burdened my heart. My child felt like they had to do something to earn back my favor. As they grow, I will teach them something far greater: **No matter what they say or do, my love for them will never need to be earned.**

We have a Father in heaven who lovingly disciplines us. In your lowest moments, the evil one wants you to believe you are in God's "doghouse," that you have to earn back his favor, that you have to do something to warrant the love of our Father. But we must understand: **No matter what you say or do, God's love for you will never need to be earned. Jesus' blood made a purchase that will never be voided, that you will never have to or be able to add to.**

Praise God for his discipline. Praise God for his ceaseless love. Don't attempt to earn it. In gratitude, learn to rest in it, **and with peace on your face, run to him for a hug.**

SEPTEMBER MINISTRY TEAMS	
GREETERS	COUNTERS
Joe Mercado	Debbie Boyette
Sylvia Mercado	Michael Dennis
DEACONS	BUS MAINTENANCE
Adam Stewart	Bryan McCary
Jason Wright	

September Adult Sunday School Scriptures

September 3- Develop Strong Convictions
Daniel 1:3-13,17-19

September 10- Pray with Passion
Daniel 2:13-23,27-28a

September 17- Speak Truth Boldly
Daniel 5:13-17,22-28

September 24- Live Courageously
Daniel 6:6-13,16-17,21-23

Deacon Ordination

Isaiah Alvarado
Adam Embrey

Sunday
September 17
Ordination Council 4 PM
Ordination Service 5 PM

HAPPY LABOR DAY

Office will be closed
Monday
September 4th
in observance of Labor Day!

DEBT RETIREMENT

Original Loan Amount: \$681,535.57
Current Loan Balance: \$78,066.67

BLESSING BOX

Donations are needed for the Blessing Box. A list of suggested supplies is available at the Welcome Desk.

Financial Review: August 2023	
Monthly General Offering:	\$45,613.30
Monthly Budget Needs:	\$39,915.00
Yearly General Offering:	\$320,179.84
Monthly Debt Reduction Gifts:	\$3,815.00

LET'S DO Lunch

Just Older Youth 50+ J.O.Y.

ITALIA

Thursday
September 21st
Amore'
1600 24th Ave Meridian, MS 39305
Bus departs at 10:30 AM
Sign-Up at Welcome Desk

Awana Clubs

Cubbies Sparks Training

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 6TH

AGES 3-6TH GRADE