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WACK WEEK

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WHAT IS
Worship Arts Camp?

As Christians, we come together to worship God every Sunday. But is that all worship should mean to us? From Romans 12, we know that offering our bodies as 'living sacrifices' is our spiritual act of worship. Is that something we can do one morning a week and be done? Worship Arts Camp for Kids (WACK) is an opportunity for your children to see worship as more than just a Sunday morning activity, but as a way of living that honors God above all else.

We also believe God has created us in his image. Therefore, all of us have the creative gift within us. This camp is an opportunity to show your children that using our creativity in a way that honors God is itself an act of worship. They will have the chance to explore various areas of visual and performing arts and will be given instruction on how to use their artistic gifts. Most importantly, they will be guided in directing praise for the arts to the Creator and not to the creation. At Worship Arts Camp your children will put into practice what the Psalmist commands us to do: "Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness." Psalm 29:2

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CHURCH HAPPENINGS



Camp Solid Rock - 2024
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The Edge - 2024

MEET OUR NEW MISSIONARY

MELANIE ROGERS | CAMPUS OUTREACH SERVE



1. How did you choose/ feel called to your ministry?

I chose Campus Outreach SERVE because what God has equipped me in the previous 20 years of ministry to do was now incredibly useful to serve and equip Campus Outreach international teams. In my ministry focus, I get to come alongside them to hopefully offer what will help them flourish and be fruitful on the mission field for the long haul and help them raise up the next generation of long-term missionaries.

2. When I have free time I enjoy...

I love being active outdoors, things like hiking and most sports. If anyone is looking for a pickleball partner, please call me. Experiencing new cultures and places is definitely a favorite pastime.

3. My favorite thing about the location of my ministry is...

The benefit of being able to see the broad scope of how God is working through our missionaries all over the world.

4. What is one way we can pray for your ministry this year?

Pray that God would bring more students to Himself and that our missionaries would persevere in faith to the work God has called them to. I feel like this year the message God has put it on my heart is "slow down, do less, and really pour deeply into the people that God has entrusted to you." You can pray that this message takes root in their hearts and begins to impact how they steward their time and energy.

5. One hope I have for my ministry is...

Almost all of foreign missionaries are Americans. My hope is that one day more and more of those that we see coming to Christ overseas, will be disciplined, equipped as leaders and sent to serve as foreign missionaries in other countries.

Summer Missions Report Dinner August 18, 2024 | 5:00 - 6:30 PM

Sunday, August 18, 2024, 5:00-6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall, we will be celebrating our Summer Missions Report Dinner with sharing from our own members who have been serving this summer. Ethan MacCaugherty and Everett Alley will be back from their service to the Yakama people in White Swan, Washington and will share what God has done through them this summer. Our youth will also share about their fourth trip to White Swan on a short-term summer mission trip.

We will also hear from AVPC participants in the CMMA Medical and Dental Missions trip to the Dominican Republic. Like last year, this will be an exciting report that will bless everyone who hears it.

And our First Annual Missionary Biography event will come to its exciting conclusion! All children who participated will receive a certificate, and those children and adults who read several biographies will receive special recognition. As promised, there will be a prize for those who read the most biographies! Keep reading!

AVPC NEWS

OUR SYMPATHY

We extend our sincere condolences to the Patricia Burgess for the recent death of her husband, John Burgess and to Layne Savoie for the recent death of his father.

Membership Night - July 26

Are you thinking about church membership at Altadena? Come to our next Membership Event on Friday, July 26. Dinner is served at 6:00 PM, followed by an informational meeting. You will meet church staff and hear about ministry opportunities. Attendance at this or another membership night is required for church membership. To register, scan the QR code. The deadline to register is July 21. Call the church office with questions at 205-967-0680.



Roofless Pavilion



Thank you to the Altadena Park improvements committee, and specifically Tom McCallum, for putting in this beautiful roofless pavilion. This is a great addition to Altadena Park!

Offices Closed July 4

In observance of Independence Day the church offices will be closed on Thursday for the Fourth of July. Have a safe and fun holiday!



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SESSION MEETING • MAY 21, 2024

- Discussed proposed changes to the church Bylaws.
- Approved welcoming 8 new members:
 - Brice, Anna & Naomi Jackson
 - John King
 - Andy, Lisa & Ford Taylor
 - Johnnie Paterson
- Approved Melanie Rogers, serving with Campus Outreach Serve, as a newly supported missionary
- Approved hiring of Nick Moyer as new College Ministry Assistant

DIACONATE MEETING • JUNE 17, 2024

- Discussed requests given to Jefferson County regarding purchase of right-of-way for replacement of bridge over Caldwell Mill Rd.
- Approved formation of new CCB group for Altadena Park maintenance items
- Approved moving forward with new fire alarm installation for education building

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Thank you to everyone who joined us for a worship-filled week of Camp Solid Rock! Volunteers and leaders, you were the hands and feet of Jesus to so many children. Youth, you were role models and servant leaders; it was such joy to watch you love well. Parents, thank you for sharing your children with us; it was a rich gift! Campers, you strengthened and encouraged our hearts through your joy and delight in Jesus.

- Catie Lumpkin

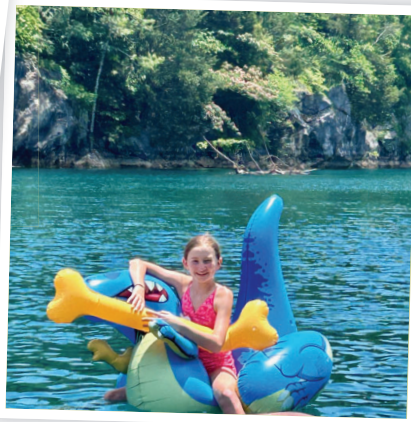
CAMP SOLID ROCK 2024



“Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin, which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.”

~ Hebrews 12:1-2 ~

YOUTH HAPPENINGS



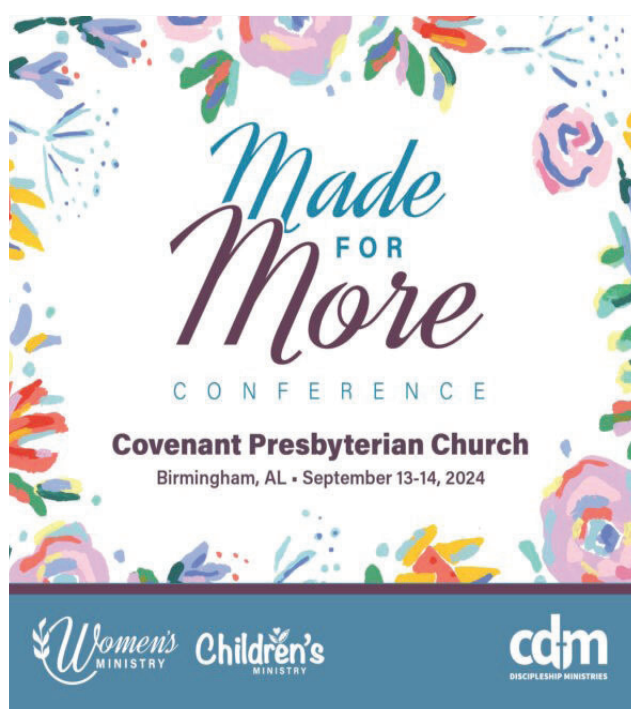
I hope you are doing well and enjoying what has been a beautiful summer to this point. The youth have been taking a timeout on Tuesdays with picnics at Railroad park, baseball games, not to mention kicking the summer off at Blue Water Park just enjoying a day in the sun together. On Wednesdays, we have been wild 'n out with gel blaster wars, scavenger hunts, and having fun with science at the McWane Center. On top of that, the junior high had a week of wild 'n out at The Edge! Sometimes, just being together makes anything better. More adventures to come...

- Clint Cvacho, *Youth Director*

JULY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3 Wild 'n Out Wednesday	4	5	6
7	8	9 Timeout Tuesday	10 Wild 'n Out Wednesday	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 Timeout Tuesday	24 Wild 'n Out Wednesday	25	JULY 13-20: The Sr. High leave for their Mission Trip to Yakama, Washington to work with Sacred Road ministries	
28	29	30 Timeout Tuesday	31 Wild 'n Out Wednesday			

WOMEN'S MINISTRY



Made for More Conference September 13-14

Covenant Presbyterian Church will be hosting the "Made for More Conference" from September 13-14. This conference is for women ages third grade and up. Come join you AVPC sisters as we explore how God made us for more. Registrations opens March 1. You can register by scanning the QR code below.



GOD'S HOUSE KINDERGARTEN

Summer is in full swing at God's House with water days, popcicle days, VBS week, pony days, and much, much more!



JULY BIRTHDAYS

7/1	Melinda Calderini	7/9	Missy Doles	7/21	Isaac Savoie
7/1	Betty C. Carter	7/10	Fran Sciacca	7/21	Brent Shepherd
7/2	Stephanie Whitner	7/11	Kelley Lloyd	7/22	Silena Cvacho
7/4	Mark Wilson	7/12	Lisa Tyson	7/22	Larry Dunlap
7/7	Hudson Barley	7/13	Adelaide Gamble	7/23	Tyler McCrory
7/6	Paula Beeton	7/13	Dylan Peters	7/24	Carol Lloyd
7/6	Diane Shepherd	7/14	Mary Kate McCrory	7/26	Sarah McCallister
7/6	Michael Whitner	7/15	Abby Thielman	7/27	Lee Ann Barley
7/7	Harris Jackson	7/15	Laura Gray	7/27	Dee Mayhew
7/7	Matthew Steele	7/16	Charis Armstrong	7/28	Dan Linder
7/8	Sarah Bishop	7/18	Emily Edmonds	7/30	John Peters
7/8	Kyle Carter	7/19	David Mackle	7/31	Sue Mackle
7/8	Lee Davis	7/19	Tim English		
7/8	Nicholas Ireland	7/19	Laura Oliver		

MEN'S MINISTRY

MEN'S BARON'S NIGHT

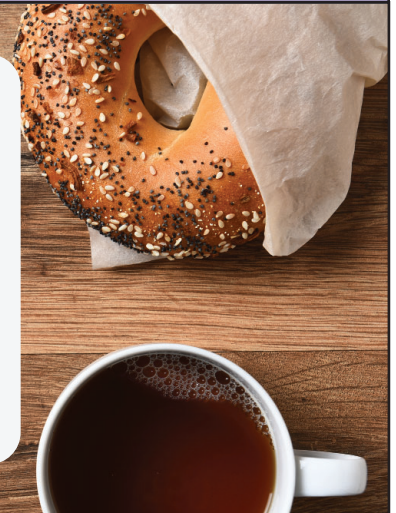
Men of all ages, join us at Regions Field on Friday, July 19, to watch the Birmingham Barons take on the Chattanooga Lookouts. Tickets are \$15 (child and adult) and include hot dogs and a drink. Please RSVP to Blake (blake@avpc.org) by Monday, July 15 to reserve tickets. Sons and daughters welcome!



YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

YOUNG ADULT LUNCH

Join us for lunch after church on Sunday, July 7, from 12:30-2:00 PM at the home of Barry and Lea Anne Parker. All between the ages of 18-30 are invited!



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MAY FINANCIAL REPORT

	BEGINNING BALANCE	INCOME	EXPENSES	TRANSFER	ENDING BALANCE
GENERAL FUND	\$116,147	\$117,620	\$122,180	(\$6,669)	\$104,918
MISSIONS	\$4,391	\$29,680	\$32,931	\$6,669	\$7,809
TOTAL	\$120,539	\$147,300	\$155,111	\$0	\$112,727