

Pastor's column

June







Jacob Brimm

Can you believe that it is already June? Personally, I feel like the year just started, and already the kids are getting out for summer, SBC is fast approaching, VBS will be here in just a matter of weeks, vacations are already ramping up, and...gnats. Well, all the fun and all the good can't go on alone, so we have gnats. Oh the joy!

Did you know that June is Great Outdoors Month in the United States? That's right, a whole month dedicated to spending time outdoors. The first Saturday in June is National Trails Day, dedicated to preserving trails. It was founded in 1976, thanks to efforts by the American Hiking Society. And who better to spend National Trails Day with than Children? The first Sunday in June is Children's Day, a day dedicated to the joys and splendors of children! Now, I don't know about your children, but my children love to run. So on the first Wednesday in June, they will be celebrating Global Running Day (I will be sure to have plenty of water available). My personal favorite day will be the third Friday, which is Flip-Flop Day; because if I could wear flip-flops every day, I would! And of course, we have Father's Day the third Sunday. Which means grills will be hot everywhere, and some food will be burnt no doubt.

As you can see, the whole month of June is really filled with things to do outside. But there is something else you can do outside, something that really should be done every day. When you walk outside, watch the trees sway, the birds fly, listen for the sounds of nature, the squirrels as they bark and scamper the trees; watch and recall that God takes care of each one of them. When is the last time you went to feed the birds or squirrels? How about the worms and centipedes? Have you ever gone out to water the lonely oak tree in the woods? Of course not! But God does. Job 39 tells us that God is present when the mountain goat births her fawns! He is always watching over His creation, taking care of every tiny detail.

In the Matthew 6, Jesus reminds us that God cares for the animals, and that we are far more valuable than they. God loves you immeasurably! More than the birds, more than the trees, more than words can possibly do justice. At times you may feel down, or dismayed, stressed and abandoned; but our Father in heaven loves you so much more than you can fathom. So this month, celebrate Great Outdoors Month by spending time outdoors observing the splendors and majesty that are the creation of the Almighty! And when you see that beautiful moments that only God's Country can provide, know that the moment is just a simple "I love you" from our Perfect Father.



P.S. June 1 is also National Doughnut Day, if you need a little pick me up!





All mothers present at BBC on Mother's Day were honored. Martha Peavy (top left) was recognized as the oldest mother, and Ansley Scarborough (top right) was recognized as the youngest mother. For more Mother's Day pictures visit our Facebook page.





All the graduates pictured above graduated from kindergarten. Congratulations also to the following: Kimberly Keene who graduated from South University Savannah with a family nurse practitioner's degree, Daniel Thompson who graduated from Georgia Southwestern Technical College with a business tech degree (his fifth degree from GSWTC), and Sharon Thompson who graduated from Columbus State University with a B.S. in nursing.



Pictured above is Dooly County High School Principal Arney Bryant presenting Ansley Scarborough the DCHS Teacher of the Month for April 2018 award. Ansley is the high school Special Education Team Leader and Special Education Instructor. Congratulatons Ansley.



What do we get from the Cooperative Program?

Byromville Baptist Church gave \$14,740 through the Cooperative Program in 2017. What did we get from it?

8,813 international and North American missionaries as well as 3,700 chaplains to help us carry out our Lord's command (Matthew 28:19-20 and Acts 1:8) to share the Gospel with the WHOLE WORLD!

Roughly, that's \$1.18 per missionary and/or chaplain.

Another way to look at it--we spent less than \$15,000 in 2017 in efforts to reach over 5 billion lost people before they die without Jesus.



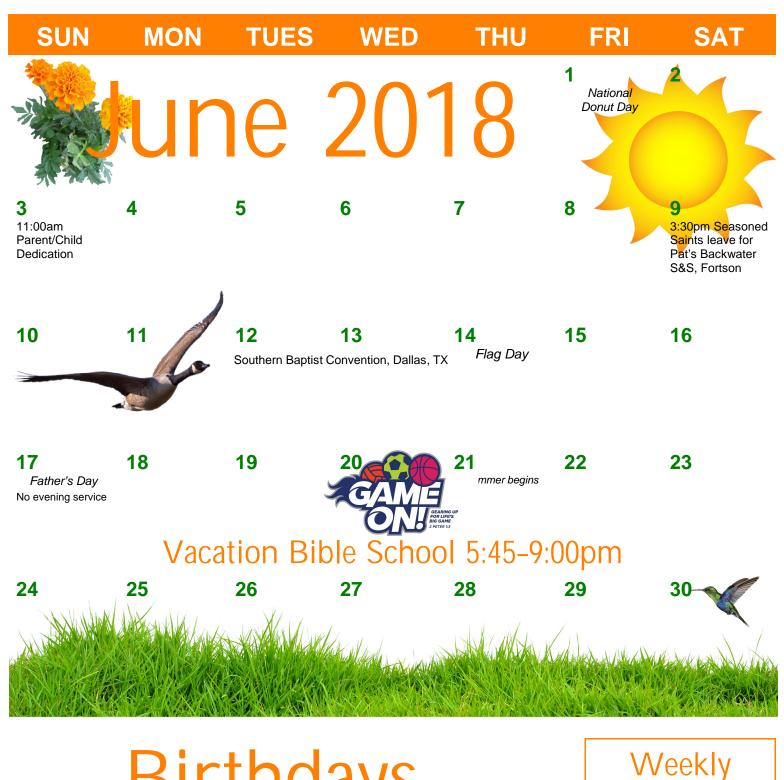
His divine power has given us everything required for life and godliness through the knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.

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Birthdays

6-1	Cole Thompson	6-17	Jessica Tabor	6-25	Mark Peavy
6-2	Amy Collier		Bobby White	6-27	Kloe West
	Quint Smith	6-19	Scott Langford	6-28	Kincee Hancock
6-3	Tonya Bodrey	6-20	Ray Thompson		Jennifer Thomas
6-4	Joshua Chappell		Matthew Youngblood	6-29	Earline Horne
6-9	Patricia Kent	6-21	Alison Fountain	6-30	Jeff Powell
6-10	Samantha Bowen		Samantha McCullum	7-1	Kyle Jones
	Sabrina Bowen		Ann Stephenson	7-3	Angela Jimes
6-12	Rose Phillips		Summer Thompson	7-4	Dean Woodruff
	Amanda Woodruff		Kylee West		
6-13	Rick Stephenson	6-24	Cindy Horne		
6-14	Paul Langston		Carolyn Joles	Please	e pray for these folks
6-15	Jimmy Lockerman		Kaitlin Willingham	on the	ir birthday.

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY	
Sunday School	10AM
Worship	11AM
Worship	. 6PM
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WEDNESDAY	
Prayer Meeting	. 7PM

Nursery for all services. Children's Church for Sunday 11AM Worship.

Youth 7PM

	Schedule of Volunteers for June					
	Please remember it is up to you to arrange coverage if you are unable to serve on your scheduled day.					
Date	Nursery AM	Children's Church	Deacon of the Week	Offering Bearers		
June 3	Tori/Vicki Lamberth	Alison/Taylor Willingham	Joe Kent	Mark Smith Quint Smith		
June 10	Sharon/Sue Thompson Rhonda Youngblood	Ansley/Cal Scarborough	Jimmy Lockerman	Denny Rogers Buck Thompson		
June 17	Briana/Tricia Kent Rebekah Bowen	Laura/Keith Lamberth	Arthur Roney	Jimmy Lockerman Matt Youngblood		
June 24	Jeanie Brimm Kay Green	Amanda/Joe Heavner	Floyd Tucker	Carson Godfrey Tracy Gregory		

May Sunday School Stats

Senior Adults	4
FBIC	15
CIA	4
Young Adults	7
Youth	0
Older Children	3
Younger Children	3
Older Preschoolers	5
Younger Preschoolers	9
Nursery	3
General Officers/Musicians	5
TOTAL	59

Financial \$ummary

April receipts	
General offerings	\$11,605.00
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering	775.00
Interest on CD	425
TOTAL RECEIPTS	12,384.25
April disbursements	
General expenses	8,935.19
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering	1,510.00
Tech equipment/repairs	310.54
Local missions & benevolence	299.25
Houston Baptist Association	369.25
Cooperative Program	960.05
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$12,384.28

YEAR TO DATE SUMMARY

	Budget	Actual	Difference
Receipts	40,418.64	35,502.25	-4,916.39
Expenses	40,418.64	39,579.15	- 839.49



"VBS is so important because it's a way our church can lead children and families to Christ, reach out to our community and grow our church family, plant seeds of salvation, and show kids that church is not a scary place—it's FUN!



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Girls Camp (grades 2-6) June 18-21 Boys Camp (grades 2-6) June 25-28 Youth Camp (grades 7-12) July 5-7 Day Camp (boys and girls ages 5-7) July 9-12

Go to <u>www.houstonbaptist.org</u> for more information and camper applications. Scholarships are available.



Vacation Bible School June 18-22, 2018 5:45 pm-9:00 pm

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