



NORTH TAMPA
CHURCH OF CHRIST

May 5, 2024




HELPING BUILD PASSIONATE FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST

SUNDAY

1st Worship Service - 8:30 am
Bible Study - 10:00 am
2nd Worship Service - 11:00 am

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study - 7:00 pm

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Welcome

New Member
JoAnn Rivera



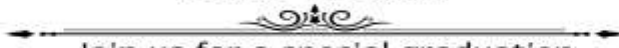


Join us for

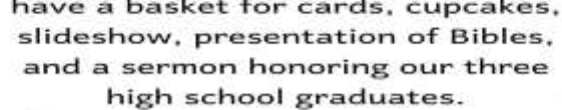
GRADUATION SUNDAY

Kyrstan Coleman
Savi Gonzalez
Logan Pomerence

MAY 26TH, SUNDAY
CLASS OF 2024



Join us for a special graduation Sunday worship service. We will have a basket for cards, cupcakes, slideshow, presentation of Bibles, and a sermon honoring our three high school graduates.



**MOUNT DORA
CHILDREN'S HOME**
— Est. 1945 —

Annual Benefit Dinner & Silent Auction Saturday, May 25, 2024

Location:

**Creekside Church of Christ
3949 Lithia Pinecrest Road
Valrico, FL 33596**

**Silent Auction 5:00pm
Dinner 6:00pm**

See Byron or Sandy Boyer for more information.



Saturday, May 11
For
Miyosha Tomlinson

Anita Wharton's House
from 10:00am to Noon

Contributions to Group Gift
Give to Anita Wharton no later
than Wednesday, May 8

DYNAMIC YOUTH
Coming Up...

Area-Wide Devo at the Sugar Shack
Saturday, May 11
4:30pm to 8:30pm

Location: 8609 Knights Griffin Rd, Plant City, FL 33565

What to bring: Yourself, your friends, and clothes you can play in

Food: Grill out

Activities: Axe throwing, horseshoes, cornhole, and more!

North Tampa and Bay Area will be having their first area-wide hangout of 2024 at the Sugar Shack. Get ready for fun, food, and fellowship!

Life Groups "Return to Disciple Making"

Lesson 4

"From Shallow to Deeper"

Using your phone camera, focus on the QR code below. Click yellow wording "Right Now Media." Click "Open" or "Group" and see study guide for Lesson 4.

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Video:

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Study Guide:

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Lessons in Legacy

Reshaping Hearts and Minds for Generations

May 5, 2024

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 6, 8 (NLT)

¹ All the people assembled with a unified purpose at the square just inside the Water Gate. They asked Ezra the scribe to bring out the Book of the Law of Moses, which the Lord had given for Israel to obey. ² So on the first day of the seventh month, Ezra the priest brought the Book of the Law before the assembly, which included the men and women and all the children old enough to understand. ³ He faced the square just inside the Water Gate from early morning until noon and read aloud to everyone who could understand. All the people listened closely to the Book of the Law. ⁶ Then Ezra praised the Lord, the great God, and all the people chanted, "Amen! Amen!" as they lifted their hands. Then they bowed down and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. ⁸ Then they (the Levites) read from the Book of the Law of God and clearly explained the meaning of what was being read, helping the people understand each passage.

Introduction:

- A. Bible classes in the Old Testament (Nehemiah 8:1-8)**
- B. Bible classes in the synagogue era (Luke 2:46)**
- C. Teaching part of the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20)**

D. Bible classes no longer emphasized in “dark ages”

E. Return of Bible classes in 18th Century: The story of Robert Raikes

In 1780, Robert Raikes’ faith and vision introduced the concept of public education and Bible teaching for the masses in the local church setting. Today, most churches provide structured Bible education classes for both children and adults, fulfilling the final command in the Great Commission: “Go teach” (Matthew 28:19-20).

I. Recognize the _____

A. Why we teach = Psalm 78:5-8

Psalm 78:6-8 (NIV)

⁶ so the next generation would know them (God’s Law and decrees), even the children yet to be born, and they in turn would tell their children. ⁷ Then they would put their trust in God and would not forget His deeds but would keep His commands. ⁸ They would not be like their ancestors— a stubborn and rebellious generation, whose hearts were not loyal to God, whose spirits were not faithful to him.

B. Children need education

1. Made “clear” on their level (Nehemiah 8:8).
2. More valuable than gold and silver (Proverbs 16:16).
3. Prepares children for the future (Proverbs 22:6).
4. Doesn’t stop once they grow up (Proverbs 4:13).

- C. We need to make sure that we don't hinder our children's education (Matthew 19:14).

II. Ways you can _____

A. Bible Class

1. Nursery & Children

- a) Praise and prayer comes naturally to children (Matthew 21:15-16).
- b) By teaching and observing children we can learn to have the faith of a child and remember what it was like to really trust God, to see Him in all his wonder and to love and trust Him fully.

2. Teens/young men and women

- a) Young people are important to the church (1 Timothy 4:12).
- b) Teach us through their godly example (1 Tim. 4:12).

3. Adults

- a) The whole church, not just the children, devoted themselves to the Apostles' teaching in the 1st century (Acts 2:42).
- b) Today, the Apostles' teaching is recorded for us in the Bible.

B. Cottage meetings AKA Personal Bible Studies

1. You can teach others at home (Acts 28:23).
2. You can teach others wherever you are (Acts 8), even if teaching isn't your "main" ministry (Acts 6).

C. Other ways you can teach: share your faith w/ others, Lord's Supper devo, teach your family at home, host a small group, VBS, Children's Church

III. Ways to _____ the Teaching Ministry

A. Chaperones and teacher's assistants play a huge part in the success of education in the church.

B. Give

1. Our weekly giving blesses our teaching (2 Corinthians 9:7-8).
2. Financially support mission work (1 Corinthians 9:14)

C. Prayer

1. One of the most important ways you can support the teaching ministry.
2. Even the Apostle Paul asked for prayers for his teaching ministry (Ephesians 6:19-20).

3. Pray for students (Colossians 1:9-10).

D. Word of Encouragement

1. Barnabas encouraged all believers: teachers, students, and visitors (Acts 11:23-24). This led to church growth.
2. Never underestimate the impact your encouraging comment has on others.

E. Invite Others to: worship, class, VBS, activities, life groups.

1. We can all invite others to “come and see” (John 1:46).
2. We can share Biblically-based content on social media.

Would you like to become a Christian?

Hear.....Matthew 28:19

Believe.....Mark 16:16

Repent.....Acts 2:38

Confess.....Acts 8:37

Be Baptized.....1 Peter 3:21

Remain Faithful.....Revelation 2:10

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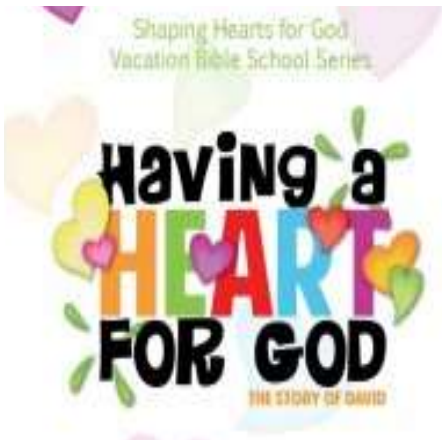
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



**There are all kinds of ways to get involved
and help us make this our best VBS ever!**

**Prepare Visual Aids
Organize Materials
Decorate Classrooms
Prepare Snacks**

**Build Scenes for Storytelling
Set-Up/Breakdown
Teach and Assist Greeters**



**July 8 –12
9:00am to Noon
Kids ages 2 through 5th Grade**

**Contact the Children's Ministry
Co-Leaders
Kristi Chatham
Vikki Minor**



Statistics

April 28, 2024

Sunday School	124
Worship 1st 79	2nd 129
Contribution	\$8,180
Bldg. Fund	\$181,808

TXT2GIVE

**Quick & Easy
Mobile Giving**

Text GIVE and the AMOUNT

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Church Office Hours
Monday through Thursday
8:30 to 4:30

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unlisted

Vikki Minor
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THOSE WHO SERVE

Worship Assignment	May 5 1st Service	May 5 2nd Service	May 12 1st Service	May 12 2nd Service
Coordinator	John Love	Byron Boyer	Art Adams	Byron Boyer
Usher	Nick Spishock	Logan Pomeranke	Harrison Hammonds	Mike McLane
Greeting & Announcements	John Wharton	John Wharton	Kris Kent	Kris Kent
Scripture Reading Opening Prayer	Dennis Briggs	Mark Cravens	Austin Drake	Ron Moore
Communion & Offering	Mike Stone	Ron Moore	Lee Chatham	Steve Dumas
Closing Prayer	Harrison Hammonds	Steve Dumas	Will Harris	Kyle Beverland
Nursery	Deja Meeks Charlotte Kent	Sandy Boyer TBD	Charlotte Kent TBD	Charlotte Kent TBD
Children's Church	Will & Bethany Harris	Will & Bethany Harris	Mike & Heather Stone	Mike & Heather Stone
Coffee Ministry	Susie Moore	Diane Diaz	Anita Wharton	Paula Betz
Greeters	Linda Vines Stacy Myers	Linda Vines Agnes Paras	Linda Vines Stacy Myers	Linda Vines Agnes Paras