WEEKEND UPDATE



VBS WAS GREATEST EVER

Vacation Bible School was blessed by God and we set record high attendances each day. The Sanctuary was packed each day with kids learning songs of praise, memorizing Scripture and learning about the Lord Jesus. God only knows the number of salvations that will result from this years VBS. The volunteers and workers were fantastic. God blessed in ways we could not have imagined. Thank you for allowing us to share truth with your children. It was a joy to introduce them to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and disciple them in their walk with the Lord. We hope to see you and your children in Church.

KIDS CAMP WAS AWESOME

I know it sounds like a broken record, but 2018 was a record-breaking year at Jr. Camp. We took 89 (that's right) to kids camp. God blessed with safe traveling mercies, cool weather for 3 of the 5 days, anointed services and a moving of God's Spirit like no other year. 10 of our kids were saved and over 30 made a commitment to be baptized. Our very own, Jake Withers, preached Thursday evening and it was one of the most powerful and anointed services I have attended at Kids Kamp. God moved in a mighty and powerful way. Thank you for your prayers, generosity, concern and help...God blessed and the results were the largest and most successful camp in our Church's history.

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PRAISE GOD FOR THE INCREASE

We thank God for the increase He has given us at Aurora Baptist Church. Scripture reminds us that some will plant, others will water, another comes along and will harvest...BUT IT IS GOD THAT GIVES THE INCREASE! Recently we have been blessed with a large increase:

- Earnest Gunstream ... Church Membership
- Diana Gunstream ... Church Membership
- Ryder Hilliard ... Baptism
- Natalie Forsyth ... Baptism
- Landon Naugle ... Salvation and Baptism
- Jessica Rowe ... Baptism
- Edwardo Lopez ... Salvation and Baptism
- Andreas Lopez ... Salvation and Baptism
- Julie Gideon ... Rededication of Life to the Lord

Plans are for more baptisms to take place this Sunday morning. We thank God for His blessings and are thankful for the increase. Please, please, please, get by the New Members Board and the Baptismal Board to study the pictures of these precious people. Get to know them by name and let's make them feel WELCOME at Aurora Baptist Church.

WORK PROJECTS AT ABC

We have completed three of the summer work projects in June and July. Our volunteers, interns and staff have worked hard and long. The deck on the Mission House looks awesome; the cement pad for the dumpsters has been poured and the fence around it is erected; the metal shed has been moved to its permanent pad and it is now situated. The new siding for the Rock House garage has been put up, new doors installed and the entire building now has a fresh coat of paint. New rooms have been erected for our Security Team and another room for nursing Mothers. Walls have been built, tape, bed and texture has been laid down, fresh paint on the walls, new doors with all the hardware have been installed. We still lack the trim, electrical work and lighting necessary to complete the rooms. We have a number of other projects we are beginning / continuing this month:

- Bus Barn Add-On (ground work, cement work, metal work)...
- Shampoo all carpet inside the Church...
- · Shampoo cloth chair bottoms and stained pews...

We could certainly use your help doing these projects. If you have some extra time, see Droo and schedule a time of work with us. We have set aside Thursday and Friday to work on summer projects. Remember, "Your labor in not in vain in the Lord," I Corinthians 15:58.

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST AUG 18, 8:30 AM

We always look forward to Men's Prayer Breakfast on the 3rd Saturday of each month. The past few months have been especially meaningful to me. Men have shared their hearts, burdens and blessings. We have shed a few tears while learning of the burdens some of our men must carry. We have also laughed a lot at the antics of some and rejoiced at the blessings of most. Men's Prayer Breakfast is GREAT FOOD, GOOD FUN, GODLY FELLOWSHIP and GENUINE FRIENDSHIP. We encourage father and sons to come together. Students are welcome to attend, also. Don't miss August's Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, August 18th at 8:30 AM.

Y.E.S. LUNCHEON, AUGUST 16TH

This month's Sr. Luncheon is August 16th. We encourage you to come early, drink a few cups of coffee, fellowship with friends, share a blessing or two and rejoice in the opportunity we have to meet together. Let's not take for granted the privilege to share life with one another. Mike and Dee Ross do an excellent job at facilitating this luncheon and you will not be disappointed. We begin at 10:30 AM every 3rd Thursday of the month. We look forward to seeing you at Y.E.S.

ABC BUYS A 2016 CHEVY, 15 PASSENGER VAN

The Church is continually on the look out for good passenger vans to update our fleet. We budget money each year to upgrade our fleet and about every 3-4 years we have enough to purchase a newer model. We purchased a V-8, 15 passenger Van with a tow package and heavy duty transmission to pull our trailer. We took it to Kids Camp last week and it performed perfect. We will be selling Van #1, a 2001 model Ford with 150 K miles. Right now it is in the shop and it will be for sale after we get it out of the shop and make sure it is in good running condition.

NEWARK MARTIAL ARTS CLASS BEGINS AUGUST 12TH AT 6:00 PM

Glen and Kim Rowe will begin a Martial Arts Class and Bible Study on August 12th at 6 PM at the Church. If you are interested in joining the class, be present on August 12th at 6 PM.