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#### Youth Passport Summer Camp 2018



On Sunday afternoon, June 10, six of our youth, along with ministers, Elizabeth Villegas and Trey Gilliam, departed for Passport Camp on the campus of Averett University in Danville, Virginia. FBC Ahoskie has a long-standing relationship with Passport Camps, attending both youth and children's camps in various locations throughout the country.

For the 2018 camp the theme is *Enough*. "Enough means 'as much or as many as required." It is a word we use when we are tired, full, or when the job is complete. Campers will explore the big idea that God is enough for whatever comes our way. We'll think about how God made a way so that in Christ, we are enough. We'll also discuss how God's plan is that there is enough for everyone; and how as followers of Christ we can use our voices to say, 'Enough already!' when we see injustice and inequity in this world."

The theme Bible verse is from 2 Corinthians 12:9a (CEB): [Jesus] said to me, "My grace is enough for you, because power is made perfect in weakness." The Daily Themes are: Day 1: God is Enough; Day 2: I am Enough; Day 3: There is Enough; Day 4: Enough Already. A typical day looks something like this:

7:30 am	Breakfast
8:30 am	Morning Devotion
9:00 am	Morning Celebration
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9:30 am Bible Study

11:15 am Mission Projects/Lunch

2:30 pm Free Time 5:00 pm Dinner

6:30 pm Monday: Outdoor Rec Party

Tuesday: Dance

Wednesday: Church Group's Free Evening

Thursday: Variety Show

9:00 pm Worship

10:00 pm Church Group Devotion

11:00 pm In Rooms 11:30 pm Lights Out

Let us pray that all that our youth are experiencing this week help them mature as disciples of Jesus Christ.



#### Church Conference on June 20

The Deacons have been in discussion for the past eight months concerning the safety of our congregation. We have implemented several policies that we do each Sunday to secure our building during the Worship hour. We are trying to provide several sets of eyes to monitor our doorways during Sunday School and securing the doors during the church Worship hour.

In addition to this procedure, we have also talked about security cameras and a security system to our entry ways into the church. We contacted Seaboard Security Systems in Washington, NC to help us investigate what options were available for our church. Their representative came in November of 2017 and again on May 10<sup>th</sup>. As a result of these meetings, the Deacons are recommending the following as our proposal for an additional layer of security for the Church.

- 1. Six cameras will be placed inside the six entrances of the Church. Door alarms with be installed as well.
- 2. Ten cameras will be placed on the outside of the Church to allow us to see the entire church perimeter. They will be placed to best capture the entrances and to cast the widest angle possible.
- 3. There will be a 16-camera monitor that will be placed in the Secretary's office on the second floor. This will allow us to see the entire church at one time. This will help the staff during the daytime to be aware of what is going on outside the building at all times. There is also voice activated information that will allow the person sitting at the desk to know what door opens when. This is another feature of the system.
- 4. This system will also help us in case we have vandalism at our Church. The cameras will be able to see at night as well. There have been some known instances of vandalism of churches in our area. The camera system will act as a deterrent as well as help law enforcement apprehend a suspect. Without these tools, we would not have any chance of catching the perpetrator.
- 5. The total package for the alarm system and cameras is \$12,907.00. There is also a monthly monitoring fee of \$35.95 as well as a monthly service fee of \$55.00.

The system will be monitored on Sundays by a committee of volunteers who will work in unison. Someone will be in the room with the monitor dur-

ing Worship. There will also be other people who will help be on standby in case something was to happen.

They would have a device to alert them if someone was approaching the building. All of these details will be in place at a later date if we decide to go with the system. The cameras will allow us to develop a more comprehensive plan that will be shared with the church at a later date.

Please know the Deacons realize that there is not a foolproof way to totally protect ourselves from a violent attack. However, as your Church leadership, we are trying to take a proactive approach to the challenges that we all face in today's world. Please feel free to share your ideas on this very real subject. We look forward to your input in the upcoming meeting on June 20th at 6 p.m. in the Church Fellowship Hall to discuss and vote on this proposal.

Sincerely, Claire T. Presley, Deacon Chair, and Deacons



#### Worshiping Together

June 17, 2018 11:00 am The 4th Sunday after Pentecost Father's Day

Ring a Bell? 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13 Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam

Baptism of Miss Chloe Rose

Worship Choir: The Sanctuary Choir

## Summer Day Camp 2018 June 25-28 • 2:30—5:30 pm



We have 46 children registered! We're so excited! But we're also in need of more help.

If you'd love to love ON some preschoolers, please contact Anita and volunteer.

anita@fbcahoskie.org 252-395-0061

#### North St. House Update

Thanks to the dedication and work of a great number of people, significant progress is being made on the North Street

House ministry project. New carpeting has been laid in the den, and the floors in the kitchen and bathroom have been replaced. There is even artwork on the walls and some of the furniture is in place! If you've not toured the house recently or at all, please come by the church office, get a key, and take a look. And while you're there, please utter a pray for those who will call the house their home for a while.



The May 23rd edition of *The Window* contained a list of items needed to furnish the house. The responses have been wonderful; thank you! There are still a few items remaining. If you'd like to donate one of the following items, please indicate your desire on the sign up sheet on the 2nd floor bulletin board.

- One full blanket.
- •3 twin blankets of the same color.
- •Another set of 3 twin blankets of the same color.
- Outside door mats (3 needed).
- ◆Indoor doormats (3 needed).
- •3 large baskets with handles.

We are so close to being able to dedicate this home, and open its doors to CWJC women who are in need of transitional housing. Thanks be to God!

## The Week Ahead



#### Sunday, June 17

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship

There are no afternoon or evening programs today.

#### Monday, June 18

3:00 pm Church Staff Meeting

7:00 pm Building & Grounds Committee

#### Tuesday, June 19

7:00 pm Deacons' Meeting

#### Wednesday, June 20

6:00 pm Christ's Kids (Grades 1-6) Adult Bible Study, FH

The Sanctuary Choir & Vocal Ensemble are on summer break.

#### Friday, June 22

9:00 am Christian Women's Job Corps



#### June 3, 2018

Weekly Need	\$ 8,555.00
Weekly Offering	\$ 10,129.53
Difference	\$ +1,574.53
YTD Needs	\$ 188,210.00
YTD Offerings	\$ 175,856.43 \$ -12,353.57

YTD Global Missions Offering \$ 6,090.01

Thank you for your generous gifts!



#### June 10, 2018

Weekly Need	\$ 8,555.00
Weekly Offering	\$ 7,061.00
Difference	\$ -1,494.00
YTD Needs	\$ 196,765.00
YTD Offerings	\$ 182,917.43
YTD Difference	\$ -13,847.57

YTD Global Missions Offering \$ 6,090.01

Thank you for your generous gifts!

## SERVING IN THE LOVE OF CHRIST

#### Week of June 17-23

#### **Minister on Call**

Rev. Anita Thompson, 395-0061

#### **Deacons on Call**

Gloria Freeman, 395-0370 Charles Hughes, 287-8403

#### Sunday School at Creekside Care—June 17

Hannah Brown Sunday School Class

#### Extended Session—June 17

Birth-Age 2: Jessica Brinkley, Melanie Byrum, & Debbie Magette

Ages 3-5: Harriet Byrum & Kari Pierce

#### <u>Ushers-June</u> 17

Ed Copeland Jr., Gloria Freeman, Chip Rose, Chloe Rose, Spencer Matthews, & Carroll Thompson;

Balcony— Charles Hughes & Henry Joyner

#### Sound System Operator —June 17

Frank Britt

#### Floral Offering—June 17

Garnette Pierce & Judy G. Pierce

#### Home Delivered Meals—June 18

Edgar & Rosa Swain Jr.

#### Food Pantry—June 22

Vicky Overman

#### Week of June 24-30

#### **Minister on Call**

Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam, 398-7321

#### **Deacons on Call**

Frank Britt, 642-2330 Jean Parker, 395-1464

#### **Extended Session—June 24**

Birth-Age 2: Ernie & Austin Evans, Bess Leary, Susan Keel, & Angela

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Ages 3-5: James & Eva Early

#### Ushers—June 24

Kay Byrd, Lanie Byrum, Lee Byrum, Nat Riddick, Frank Rose & Edgar Swain, Jr.; Balcony— Pate & Camille Pierce

#### Sound System Operator —June 24

James Early

#### Floral Offering—June 24

Spencer & Dolores Matthews

#### Home Delivered Meals—June 25

Austine Evans & Mary Ann Umphlett

#### Food Pantry—June 29

Robert Earl & Pansy White

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