



Azalea City Church of Christ

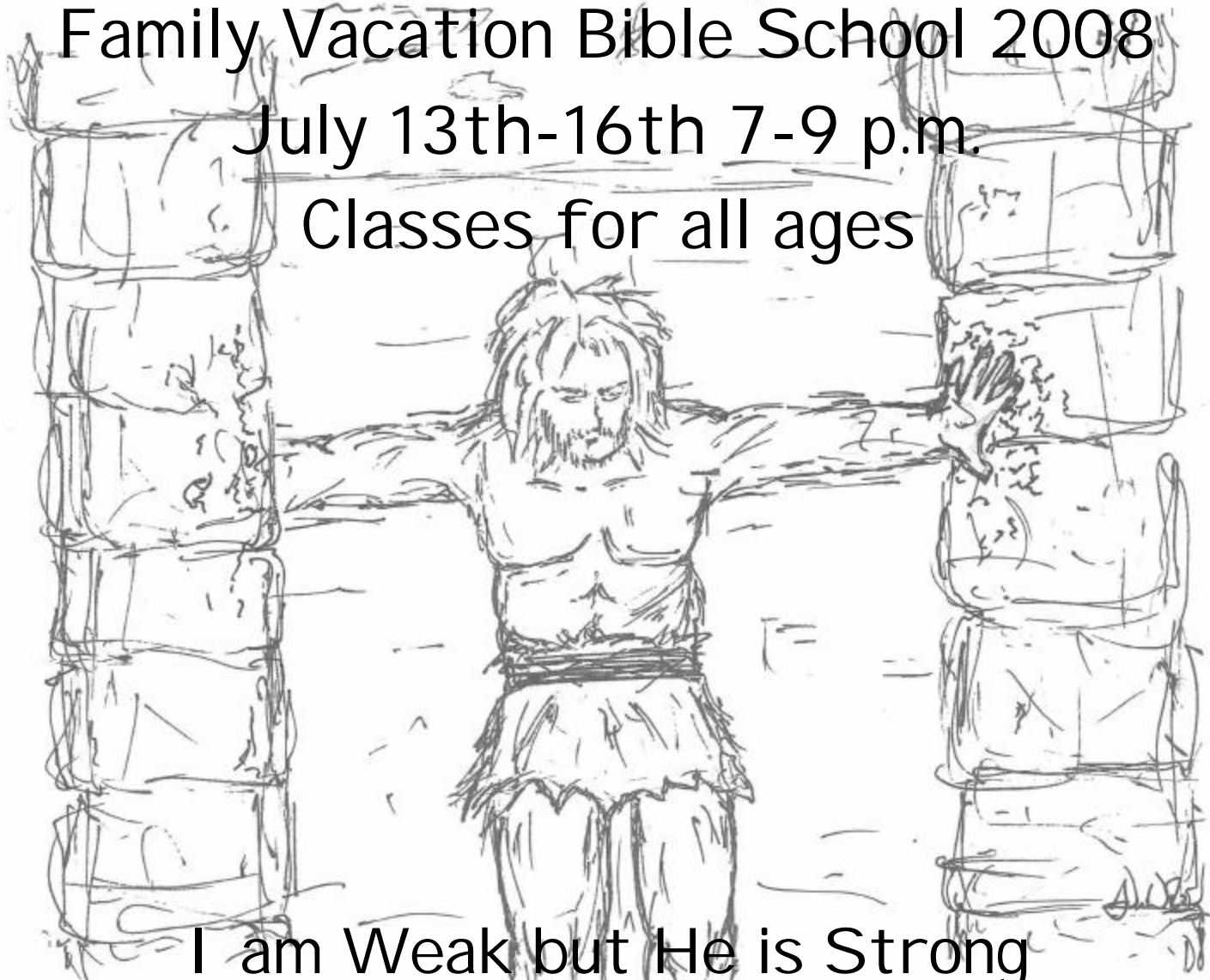
Family News

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Family Vacation Bible School 2008

July 13th-16th 7-9 p.m.

Classes for all ages



I am Weak but He is Strong

The Story of Samson

2008 Theme: KNOWING HIM

Please keep the following people in your prayers this month.

Members

Clara Frost	Joyce Simmons	Joann Brown	Deborah Moody
Nita Pierce	Bill Day	Nita Mae Eubanks	Skip Garner
Michelle Wheeler	Ruby Allsup	Ruth Rush	Myra Blizzard
Linda Lockler	Violet Tart	Beverly Hall	Paul Henneman
Glenda Carpenter	J.T. Roberts		

Friends and Family

Harry Lloyd	Ed Crabtree	Bob Brantley	Dan Maples
Ariel Pass	Marvin Fountain	Hixon Nobles	Eric Braddock
Marshall Eubanks	Jennifer McDaniel	Granville Faries	Deloris Lamaire
Troy Vonada	Pauline Russell	Martha Robinson	Patricia Jones
Alexander Murayvov	Dan Purvis	Greg Lewis	Dylan Gibbon
Lillie Andrews	Robert Lakeman	James & Esther Bell	John Burke, Jr.
Jeannine Webb	Pam Prine	Tony Malinauskas	

Military

Kenneth Andrews (in Germany)	Keith Moss (Marines)
Aaron Allsup (at Eglin AFB)	Jacob Pierce (in Iraq)
Matt Geroux (in Arkansas)	Matthew Reitz (in Iraq)

Expectant Mothers

Crystal Roberts (any time)
Jennifer Crain (Sept)
Jamie Goleman

New Members and Invitation Responses

Prayer Requests

Joann Brown

Baptized

Buck Presley

New Members

Upcoming Events

Pioneer game night is scheduled for Friday, July 11th and Friday, July 25th. Please bring your favorite game and finger foods.

The June **men's prayer breakfast** will take place on Sunday, the 13th at 8:00. If you would be willing to cook for a future breakfast, please sign the sheet located at the information desk in the front foyer.

Steve May is planning **congregational singing** at 5:30 on Sunday, July 20th and Sunday, July 27th. We will practice new songs and prepare for the evening service. Please make plans to attend.

The **VBS Video Presentation & Ice Cream Supper** is planned for July 27th after our evening service. Please bring lots of ice cream and desserts and invite everyone from VBS to this special annual event (the only time of year you get sweets for supper!)

Ministry Information

The date for the July **elders/ministry leaders meeting** will be announced from the pulpit and the weekly bulletin.

Monday Night for the Master will take place on July 7th and July 21st. Please make plans to attend!

If you have not filled out an **involvement form** for the involvement ministry, please see Terry Cagle to get a form. We need to have every member fill out one of these!

The benevolence ministry is planning their next **grocery distribution** on July 3rd from 9:00 until 11:00 in the multipurpose building. They gave out over 125 bags of food last month! Your help with this endeavor is greatly needed! If you can come help during the food distribution, please come. However, there are also other times when more help is needed. A group goes to the food bank the week before the actual distribution day and purchases the food. They usually buy several hundred to a thousand pounds of food and could use strong backs to load and/or unload all of this food. If you can't go to the food bank with them, you can meet them at the church to help unload! Also, the food is put into the paper bags on the Wednesday before the distribution. Wanda Hankins has been doing this by herself with occasional help. If you can come on the first Wednesday and help her bag the food, it would be greatly appreciated. This is a truly wonderful Christian work but it can't get done without your help!

Our Benevolence Ministry sponsors Rainbow Omega, a home for adults with developmental disabilities, and Raintree Village, a Christian children's home in Georgia. Here's some of their latest news:

Rainbow Omega - The vocational center at Rainbow Omega continues to provide our residents with meaningful employment, increased self-esteem, and a paycheck. Some of their daily activities include collating materials for local manufacturers, caring for plants in the greenhouses, and training on life skills in the computer lab.



In 2006, Rainbow Omega was awarded a contract from Honda Manufacturing of Alabama to supply the owner manual kits for each of the vehicles assembled at their plant in Lincoln, Alabama. In late 2008, we will start providing Honda with the owner manuals for the Ridgeline Truck. We hope to receive similar contracts from other automobile manufacturers in Alabama.

As our population and productivity have steadily increased in the past several years so has our need for a larger vocational center. Thanks to grants from USDA - Rural Development, the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs, and the Daniel Foundation of Alabama, we plan to begin construction of this new facility in late summer of 2008. The new work center will be approximately 26,000 square feet and will be built on newly acquired property adjacent to our campus. The larger space will better accommodate our current needs while offering us the opportunity to secure additional contracts for our residents.

Raintree Village - In the spring of 1967 the final papers were signed that made Georgia Christian Children's Home a reality! The first cottage was planned, and construction began almost immediately with donated labor. It was built as a basic residential care program for young people needing a home.



Georgia Christian Children's Home became Raintree Village in 1987. At first children came by private placement only, but since the mid-80's Raintree Village has also contracted with the State to accept children from the Department of family and Children's Services when basic care was indicated. Children have come from many of the counties in Georgia. In later years our children have mostly come from the seventeen counties surrounding Lowndes County. However, some children are still accepted from throughout Georgia.

Raintree Village is experiencing a "mid-life crisis" of sorts! The basic rules have changed for placing children in a residential program, which has restricted the number of children coming into our care. Our "cottage count" has been reduced from ten children per cottage to a smaller number (6-8). We must increase our staff, and their training, to accommodate the new rules. However, one thing has not changed for the past forty years! We are still "offering youth an opportunity for a future" in a Christian child care facility.

FROM DAVID'S DESK

Why have a Vacation Bible School?

It is a well know fact among the brethren in our area that we have one of the best Vacation Bible Schools every summer, and this year will be no exception. It is sad that many churches in our brotherhood have abandoned V.B.S. because they feel that it's not worth all the time and money to put one on. I believe this attitude is largely due to a failure to see the many great and fantastic things that are accomplished when a congregation conducts a successful V.B.S. Are there some good and worthwhile reasons for having our V.B.S. this July 13-16 from 7-9 p.m. each night? Yes! A thousand times yes!!

1. **It Helps the Children.** Our children today are living in troublesome times. They need someone to take a special interest in them. Vacation Bible School helps to fill this need. Many of our preachers, elders, deacons, and missionaries are active in the Kingdom of God because V.B.S. touched their lives in a positive way.
2. **It Helps the Community, State, and Nation.** As a nation, many have forgotten God. V.B.S. can certainly help to instill Christian principles in the minds of children and adults.
3. **It Helps the Church.** V.B.S. not only helps to strengthen church members, it is also an effective tool to reach non-members. That's why I'm in favor of having someone like J.T. Harrison come and speak to the adult class about our main Bible character, Samson, from Judges 13-16. With God's help, non-Christian parents and their children can be visited after V.B.S. is over, which might lead to a Bible study and conversion to the Lord Jesus Christ. Another church benefit of V.B.S. is that it's a wonderful advertising medium for our forever family and it builds respect for Azalea City in the community!

Vacation Bible School is very important! Once again this year, let us seize this wonderful opportunity and have a great Vacation Bible School this July 13-16, 2008. **We still need more volunteers to sign the V.B.S. servants list!**

David

Youth Calendar

July

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Tween Day Skating & Lunch	2	3 Teen Day	4	5
6 Summer Trip Meeting After AM Service	7 Service Week for VBS through Friday	8	9 Sing His Praises	10	11	12
13 VBS	14 VBS	15 VBS Tween Day Movie at Multi-Purpose Building	16 VBS	17 Teen Day	18 Super Saturday	19 Super Saturday
20	21	22 Tween Day Bowling	23 Leave for Summer Trip	24	25	26 Return from Summer Trip
27 Devo	28	29 Tween Day Movie at Multi-Purpose Building	30	31 Teen Day		

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***Deacons**

Monthly Records

Weekly Budget 2008: \$8,928.28

	May 4th	May 11th	May 18th	May 25th	Average
Weekly Contributions	\$9,412.24	\$6,676.97	\$7,701.69	\$6,445.01	\$7,558.98
Sunday Bible Class	201	137	NC	180	173
Sunday AM Worship	300	252	210	258	255
Sunday PM Worship	Family Day	NC	140	125	133
	May 7th	May 14th	May 21st	May 28th	
Wed. Bible Study	139	150	156	159	151

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning Bible Study.....9:30
Sunday Morning Worship.....10:30
Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00
Wednesday Evening Bible Study.....7:00

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Television To Watch

“Preaching The Gospel” with James Watkins
Sundays 7:30am, channel 44, Comcast channel 4

“In Search of The Lord’s Way” with Mack Lyon
Sundays 7:30am, channel 33, Comcast channel 7
Direct TV channel 321

“Know Your Bible” with Billy Lambert
Sundays 6:30pm Direct TV channel 321
Sundays 8:00pm channel 33
Wednesdays 8:00pm Direct TV channel 377

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