

June 1, 2021

"You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being."
Revelation 4:11



FBCG Kids

DESTINATION DIG—VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School will begin in a few short days (June 7-11). There is still time to register to attend or volunteer. We are praying for the hearts of the students that will attend and for the volunteers that will be leading the VBS week.

Destination Dig—what is it all about??

"VBS 2021 is headed to present -day Israel where discovery awaits at Destination Dig. Kids will unearth more than dirt as they dig up exciting evidence that proves biblical events were not just stories. As junior archaeologists, kids will explore real-life archaeological finds that have helped to uncover the truth about Jesus! Along the way, they'll discover the truth of Jeremiah 29:13, that God reveals Himself to us when we seek and search for Him with all our hearts."

Jeremiah 29:13, "You will seek me and find me when you search for me with all your heart."

The week of VBS is ... fun, engaging, high-energy, loud, organized chaos, "the best week ever", life-changing, exhausting, **Is it worth it?**

"IT IS WORTH IT BECAUSE THE GOSPEL IS GLOBAL.

- VBS is about Jesus.
- VBS attracts.
- VBS energizes.
- VBS mobilizes to reach.
- VBS mobilizes to teach.
- VBS mobilizes to lead.
- VBS relates to parents.
- VBS works.

IT IS WORTH IT BECAUSE THE GOSPEL IS PERSONAL

- VBS connects kids with Jesus.
- VBS connects kids with the Bible.
- VBS connects kids with real life.

- VBS connects kids with adults. VBS connects teens with service.
- VBS connects everyone.

IT IS WORTH IT BECAUSE ETERNITY IS WORTH IT.

- VBS impacts the future.

In New York's East Side, during the late 1890's lived Virginia Hawes—a mother, doctor's wife, and Sunday school teacher. Hawes loved the Lord. She was warm-hearted and a hard worker. Hawes would teach Sunday school and the students (60-80 children, ages six through twelve) would crowd around her. If Hawes learned of an illness, she was sure to follow-up on this. She was constantly caring for the needs of her community.

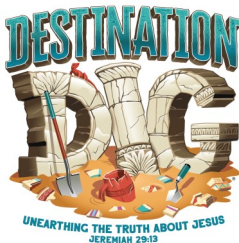
In 1897, the church doors were going to close, but Hawes raised enough money for the church to remain"

Calendar Events:

June 6—SS Promotion

June 7-11 VBS,
9 AM—Noon
REGISTER ONLINE
www.fbcgreenville.com/events

June 20 Father's Day



Announcements

Sunday school Promotion is **THIS COMING Sunday, June 6**. Please note the rooms for your children. Students should go directly to the new room after getting their name badges.

Babies & 1's—Room 236 (same room). Teacher—Brenda Stotler

2's & 3's—Room 243 (same room). Teachers—Wesley, Kattie Kincaid

Pre-K—Room 244. Teachers—Jeni Donahue, Katey Foshie

Kindergarten—Room 246. Teachers—Van Brooks, Terry Tillery

1st Grade—Room C337. Teachers—Stephen, Mindy Meade

2nd Grade—Room C338. Teachers—Brian, Carol Smith

3rd & 4th Grades—Room C340. Teachers—Dianne Foster, Katy Creasman

5th & 6th Grades—Rm C339, the Roof. Teachers— Charlie, Danna Brickell; Jennifer Kammerdiener

10:30 AM Take TWO class, Room 246 (Kinder—6th Grades) - Teachers—Kathleen Villaronga, Briana Hall



VBS continued ...

“open. In 1898, Hawes’ new project was VBS. Hawes’ recognized that after school let out, the streets and squares were filled with children, sometimes unruly. She decided to do something about this.

That first year, it is said that “no attraction was offered but Bible stories and great kindness.” Bible stories and great kindness were enough.

Records were not kept the first year, but the second year they did keep records. 114 children attended.

Hawes rented a beer parlor for the VBS and several rooms. The location was convenient for the children. When the Pastor at Hawes’ church tried to move the VBS to the church, attendance dropped dramatically because the church was a distance away. So, back to the beer parlor.


The children would sing hymns, memorize long passages of Scriptures, make

crafts, and study the Bible together.

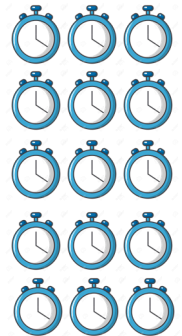
- 1915— Publishers began to make VBS projects
- 1916—VBS spread to Canada.
- 1921—2000 VBS’ recorded in the US and Canada; 382 VBS in China; 25 VBS in Japan.
- 1922—Homer Grice hosted VBS for 20 days with an average of 150 children.
- 1924—Most denominations were invested in VBS work.
- 1931—Korea reports 102,204 students enrolled in VBS
- 1934—700 Southern Baptist Church report 100,000 children
- 1990—Themes were introduced into VBS materials. These were not the kind of immersive these as we know today.
- 1992—Southern Baptist VBS record 3,709,174 enrollment.
- 1997—The Rotations format (crafts, missions, music, recreation, and snacks) is introduced.
- 2003—Spanish curriculum is introduced.
- 2008—Special Needs curriculum is introduced
- 2018—More than 200,000

kids in India were reached in five languages.

Think about this ...

 Current research suggests that a child who is actively involved in church may actually only attend church **1-2 times a month**, which translates into **a couple of hours each month**.

A traditional VBS involves **3 hours a day for 5 days in a row**. This is equivalent to **7 months of “church”** for today’s typical churchgoing child!



For one solid week, everyone can hear the Gospel every single day. It is a worthwhile investment with eternal significance.”

It’s Worth It, Landry Holmes

There is a **Prayer Wall** on the church website. The Prayer Wall is a place to post a prayer need or to pray for the needs that were posted.

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Mission Moment ...



During VBS, our students will be learning about Send Relief missionaries that serve with the North American Mission Board and church planters that serve with the International Mission Board. For the Mission Offering, we will be **ORANGE VS GREEN** teams. The Orange Team will represent the North American Mission Board (NAMB) and the Green Team

will represent the International Mission Board (IMB). The offerings raised by each team will go to these organizations to further the ministries that we will learn about the week of VBS.

As students arrive and during Worship Rally, students may drop put their offering in their team color offering bucket. Their team color

should match their name tag. The following day, we will announce the offering total. On Friday we will announce the GRAND total for the VBS week during the Family Worship Rally. The Family Worship Rally will begin at 11:15 AM. All are invited to attend this Family Worship Rally.