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KINGSTON
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(picture) Music & Mission Camp art project

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AUGUST 2023

Dear Kingston Family,

This past Sunday we talked about the importance of nurturing our young people. Holly had the great idea to ask our children present to draw a picture of them with Jesus. She asked them to do it during the sermon, which is a great idea since Presbyterian sermons are not known as being the most exciting entertainment for children. So during the benediction, I asked the children to come up so I could show the drawings to the congregation. Many of them showed Jesus simply with them, some had family or friends present. Reeves Beverly, avid baseball player, drew a picture of him playing baseball with Jesus, Jesus being the catcher.

As many of you know, I was in youth ministry for a long time before Kingston called me here. Last week I got to be youth pastor again, as Bradley and I took our youth to Myrtle Waves water park since Holly was out of town visiting Kip. I love the opportunity not only to have fun with our youth but to hear about everything going on in their lives. For instance, at one point at Myrtle Waves, Riles Hucks and I were sitting down chatting and he was telling me about his cross country goals for this year. He told me how he wants to be a neurosurgeon when he grows up, apparently this was news to his mother, and how he is looking forward to getting his driving permit this year.

A couple weeks ago Holly, along with a handful of members, held a music and missions camp. It was very similar to a "Vacation Bible School" type format and 9 children attended the camp. However, this camp was more than singing, memorizing Bible verses and doing a few arts and crafts. These kids went out and served in the community. Our children went to C.A.P. (Churches Assisting People for our new folks, its a local mission agency we donate to) and stocked shelves! They also visited other local missions that we support. How awesome is that?

Since I have been here I have also received overwhelmingly positive feedback about having our children and teenagers participate in worship. So that will continue to be a staple here at Kingston. I do not know if you realize it, but when our children get up to pray or read scripture, I often look at your faces in the congregation, and most of you smile when they are talking, as you should.

Our text this past Sunday was Matthew 18:1-5. When I read that I often think, Jesus knew, children seem to get God in a way that we do not. We need our children to remind us of who God is. I'm proud of the way you all have helped to foster the involvement of our children and youth, because children are the only group of people that Jesus says the Kingdom of heaven *belongs* to. It belongs to our young people and when we support, guide, and nurture our young people, I think we are seeing heaven on earth.

Blessings,























Dear Kingston family,

Our Music & Missions Camp was a huge success! I am so proud of our children and all the ways they helped others in need this week. They packed hygiene bags for the Shepherd's Table, packed school bags for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, restocked shelves at CAP, and gave their own donations to Fostering Hope. They were AWESOME. And many, many thanks to our other volunteers (Cindy, Beth, Tracy, Carolyn, as well as Teresa and Mary for making our lunches). We have a solid foundation of local mission work with our Kingston kids, and I cannot wait to build on that in the fall and beyond. Thank you for your prayers. I appreciate your support and love for our youngest members. Enjoy a few pictures from camp. You can find more on our website (and a funny pic on page 7 with their names).

Peace, Holly

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August RightNow Media Spotlight



Dave Stotts, host of *Drive Thru History*®, explores the scripture, history, geography, archaeology, and impact of Paul's letter to the Galatians in the New Testament. The home base for the series is *Dave's Garage*™, a state-of-the-art, extended reality lair where almost anything is possible. In addition to teaching with a collection of monitors, maps, animations and artifacts, Dave treks outside his garage for special adventures throughout the Mediterranean region. Designed for all ages, *Bible Backroads*™ is fun, fast-paced, and educational, encouraging families to dig deeper into the Biblical accounts together.

AUGUST 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 CE Mtg @ 6pm in the Parlor	**2** Worship Committee Mtg @ 5pm in Parlor Community Svc & Mission @ 6pm in KB	**3**	**4**	**5** NHPW Help-shops@ Melina Pres in Gable, SC Reg. 9am
6 Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service@10:30am	**7**	**8** Diaconate Mtg @ 6pm in KB	**9**	**10**	**11**	**12**
13 Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service@10:30am With Communion	**14** Kingston Lassies Pizza/ Pool Party @ 6:30 by Sara Jean Sasser's home	**15** Session Meeting @ 6pm in KB	**16**	**17**	**18**	**19**
20 Men's Breakfast @ 8:30 in FH Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service@10:30am Blessing of Backpacks Kid's Jam 11:30-1pm	**21**	**22** Trustee Mtg @ 4pm in Parlor Cong. Care & Outreach Mtg @ 6pm by Beth Healy	**23**	**24**	**25**	**26**
27 Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service@10:30am	**28**	**29**	**30**	**31**		



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

1	Adaline Ellis Jordan
2	Mike Ellis
5	Luke Barefoot
6	Rachel Hogue Robert (Riles) Hucks III Troy Alwine
7	Jim Hayes
10	Greg Keesee
11	Patte Rhodes
12	Randy Broughman
13	Gloria Wilson
15	Frances Thomas Bailey Edwards
18	Christianna Reed Esther Elliott
22	Caroline Hogue
28	Bill Sutton
30	Bill Gobbel
31	Bill Rutherford



August VOLUNTEERS

Head Usher:
Press Courtney

Ushers:
Jennifer Courtney
Robert Hucks
Riles Hucks

Counters:
Paul Reed
Peggy Hayes

Women's Ministry

Come Grow WITH US

Monthly Bible Study will resume in September.
More info to come!

What: Kingston Lassies Pizza Get Together
When: August 14th at 6:30pm
Where: Sara Jean Sasser's Home (beside FBC)
611 Elm Street in Conway
Focus: Thornwell Orphanage
(If weather permits, we may relax in the pool.)

WACCAMAW YOUTH CENTER BIRTHDAYS

If you would like to be part of this ministry, please contact Cathy Beverly. For one of the boy's birthdays, you will need to bring a homemade cake, a tub of ice cream, 16 candles, 16 napkins, 16 plates and potato chips.



Have you seen??

Every week we will have office hours posted by the front door of the office.

Whether a member/visitor stops by, there will be no doubt as to whether the office is open or not. We will also change the signage for holidays or times when the program staff may be in the office later in the afternoon.

Compassion Child Update:

Kingston Presbyterian Church received a let- ter from one of the children we sponsor: Eailsabet, who lives in Ethiopia.

She tells us that her friends are Ashika, Azinet and Ferut. Her best friend is Ferut. She likes playing and singing with her friends. One of the reasons her friend Ferut is special to her is because she is tall. She knows Ferut because she is part of her village.

Eailsabet's prayer request is asking God to give her family a home. Eailsabet told us that she has received the gift that we sent and Mekdi bought her clothes. Eailsabet is very grateful and thanks us very much for the gift.



Eailsabet is 6 years old)

CAP

The following are immediate needs CAP has as they can't get from their main source (Lowcountry Food Bank):

Boxed Cereal
Jelly
Canned Soups
Oatmeal
Boxed Potatoes
Laundry Detergent
Dish Detergent
Baby Wipes
Baby Diapers



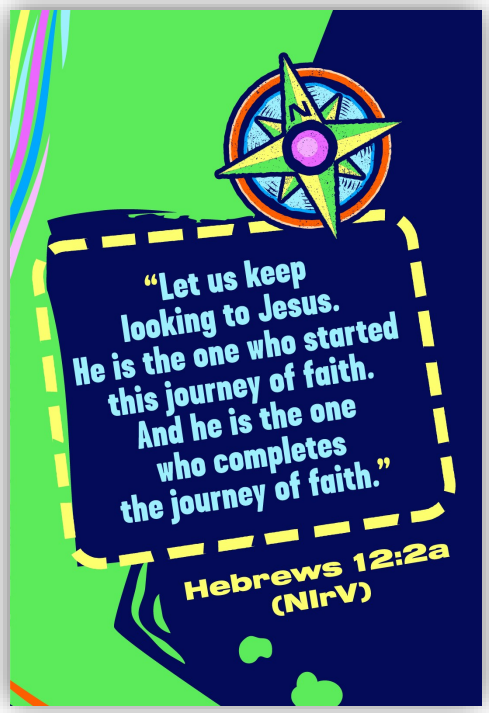
Mission Opportunities through *Habitat for Humanity*

Habitat for Humanity is having another Faith Build and is asking Kingston Presbyterian Church if they can help with construction in August. The house is being built here in Conway. The Mission Committee is looking for Volunteers to help with construction on **Saturday, August 19th, 8 AM - 3:30 PM**. Sign up on the church website!

Faith Build

Habitat has recently launched into maintenance and repair in an effort to serve more families as the need for safe, affordable housing grows stronger every day. **They are in need of skilled volunteers who can assist with maintenance and repair staff.** They are currently doing projects in Myrtle Beach, but will eventually start serving the entire county.

If you are interested in either opportunity, please contact Paul Reid. He will connect you with the director of Habitat.





Front (L to R): Adeline Jordan, Will Condon, Paige Kurlowski, Olivia Kurlowski, Wells Sorenson, Sutter Ann Sorenson
Back (L to R): Trace Bannan, Preston Sorenson, Hattie Bannan, Shep Sorenson, Britton Woods, Banks Woods

Youth Parent Meeting

Monday, August 28
5:30pm | Gore House

We will discuss the calendar of events for the 2023-2024 school year.

Mark your calendar!





Beginning in September, we are going to have a monthly preschool/parent class with Mrs. Holly during the Sunday School hour. Using the "Play-n-Pray" curriculum, they will learn age-appropriate worship songs, have hands-on bible stories, and lots of fun! You're never too young to learn about God's love for you! Our first gathering will be on September 10th at 9:55am.