



STUDENT MINISTRY

Bro. Aaron Sibley

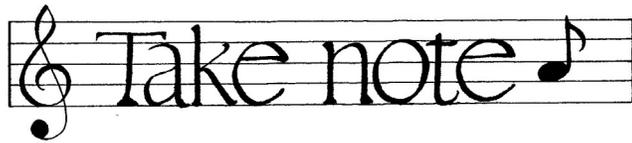


As the school year comes to a close, we have several events and opportunities that are coming up this summer. To start is senior recognition. Senior recognition is May 5th and we want all of our seniors to attend. We will recognize you during the service and there will be a meal for you and your families after the service in the fellowship hall. Also coming up soon is our mission trip to Cresthill. We will leave on May 24th and come home on May 28th. While there, we will do an outdoor movie night for the church plant in Cresthill and also a Memorial Day Block Party with one of our partner churches there on the 27th. Cost for this trip is \$30 per person. Also coming up soon is Generate



Camp which is July 1-5. Generate is in Marshall, TX where we will be following the recreation and small group tracks for that week. Information packages can be found in the office and in the youth area on the info table. Cost for that trip is \$275. Sign up soon as spots are filling up quickly!

Throughout this summer we will be having a 4th Wednesday 4-Square tournament. We kicked this off back in April and will carry it on until school starts back in August. We want to encourage any parents who maybe want to take some loving aggression out on their teens to come and play! It really is a fun time of fellowship and we hope to have a few church members visit with us every now and then on these nights.



SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS SERVING THIS SUMMER

God is working in a mighty way in our church and He has called out several of our students to serve in summer missions and ministry this summer. In my role as State Student Ministry Consultant with the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, I am continually blessed by the movement of God among our students through the ministry of our Student ministers and adult volunteers. I want to ask you as a church to consider supporting these students in a tangible way. While their basic needs of food and housing are being provided, they still could use help with personal items and supplies. Here are some suggested ways we can support them as they represent us out in the field this summer:

***PRAY** – pray for them individually and add them to your prayer requests in your Sunday School class or organization

***ENCOURAGE** – notes of encouragement or small care packages (check with Aaron or myself to see what types of packages are feasible)
Wal-Mart Gift Cards

***INVITE** – ask them to come speak to your Sunday School class or organization when they return

If you choose to do gift cards, you can give them to the individual directly, or give to Aaron or me to do so. They need to have these by May 19th. Here are our students who are serving:

Jamoni Spires – Summer Missionary to New Mexico

Ashlee Sowell – Summer Missionary to Romania

Taylor Porter – Staffer at Central Hills Baptist Retreat (missions camps for children)

Thank you for your prayerful support!
Ken Hall

April Attendance & Offering

April 7	April 14	April 21	April 28
Sunday School 246	Sunday School 230	Sunday School 270	Sunday School 255
Worship Service 240	Worship Service 222	Worship Service 337	Worship Service 233
Budget Offering \$13,197	Budget Offering \$18,602	Budget Offering \$17,193	Budget Offering \$9,285

*\$16,514.73 required weekly to meet budget.



If you have a child and wish to participate, contact the office with your child's full name no later than Wednesday, May 8th!



Join us Wednesday, May 15 at 6pm as we prepare to send three of our students (mentioned left) on summer missions!

Gifts were received for the following designated funds:

- Challenge to Grow Campaign in memory of Charlotte Helton
- Challenge to Grow Campaign in memory of George Davis
- Annie Armstrong in memory of Dennis Worbington
- Capital Improvements in memory of Sue Jennings
- Challenge to Grow Campaign in memory of Dennis Worbington
- Benevolence Fund in memory of George Davis
- Challenge to Grow Campaign in honor of Mike & Ann Turner Williams
- Challenge to Grow Campaign in honor of Joan Turner
- Challenge to Grow Campaign in honor of Roger Jones
- Chile Missions in memory of Charlotte Helton
- Annie Armstrong in memory of George Davis



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WOW! Thank you for helping us surpass our Victory goal in our “Challenge to Grow” campaign. The past three months have flown by, but much work was done to communicate about the campaign and the 2020 Vision. A special thanks to our steering committee, as well as everyone else who served in this campaign. Another thanks goes to our deacons, who made many visits and contacts to pray with families, then to deliver commitment cards. We will now begin to evaluate and move forward in regards to our 2020 Vision.

We have talked a lot about the word “grow” over the past several weeks. As we looked at Nehemiah and Elijah, they were challenged to grow beyond a financial commitment, and that has been my prayer for our church this year. If we are not growing, we are not moving forward. How do we know if we are growing personally and corporately?

Imagine yourself on a trail deep in the woods. You have been walking for a long time, and though you set out on a clearly marked trail, it has been quite some time since you have seen any markers. The undergrowth has become thick; there are few signs that people have regularly walked this way before. It is at that moment that you would hope to encounter some kind of signpost—a marker placed along the path to help you know for certain that you are still going the right way, how far you have come, and even how far you have to go.

This is what signposts do on a path—they convey information about the progress you are making. LifeWay Research recently completed a large project that determined eight attributes of discipleship that serve as signposts on the pathway of discipleship. In other words, these are the characteristics that ought to be present, in increasing measure, in the life of someone who is growing toward Christlikeness.

1. Bible engagement: Transformation can be recognized when our mind is sharpened by the Bible, our perspective is shaped by the Bible, and our actions are directed by the Bible.

2. Obeying God and denying self: Discipleship is the process of obedience to one who is in authority over you. Transformation can be seen when we progressively set aside earthly delights for kingdom priorities.

3. Serving God and others: Transformation is evident when personal needs and even dreams are set aside for the needs we see in others. By the way, I hope you will participate in our “I Love Yazoo” project

on May 19 as we seek to connect with the residents of Yazoo Estates.

4. Sharing Christ: Even with the need to live out the effects of the gospel, maturing believers know speaking about the message is a necessity. Transformation is evident when we talk about the source of it.

5. Exercising faith: Transformation is seen in believers when risk aversion is set aside and our lives are characterized by faithful obedience to God’s will.

6. Seeking God: Transformation is seen when our desire is to know God more deeply and experience His work more fully.

7. Building relationships: Our faith is personal but it is not intended to be private. Our horizontal relationships should develop just as our vertical relationship with God does. Transformation occurs when relational maturity is evident in our lives.

8. Unashamed: Transformation is evident when a believer is unashamed to present their own life as being aligned with Christ.

As the signposts of the discipleship pathway, these are the statistically validated marks of transformation that show people are on the right track. They are growing disciples of Jesus, and that growth is displayed through attributes like these.

When we turn to Scripture, we find the Bible describing these signposts using the word “fruit.” In this agricultural metaphor that is often employed by biblical authors, we see clearly how transformation leads to visible acts of obedience.

For just as a tree produces fruit according to its kind, so also will someone who is genuinely a Christian have visible marks of their transformation apparent in their lifestyle.

Are you seeing growth in these areas, or has your spiritual growth stalled out? Let us commit to be people of forward growth.

God bless,
Bro. Clint



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Bro. John Yates

Proverbs 22:6: "Train up a child in the way they should go and when they are old they will not depart from it."



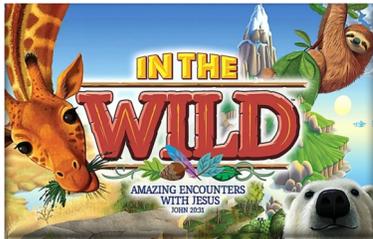
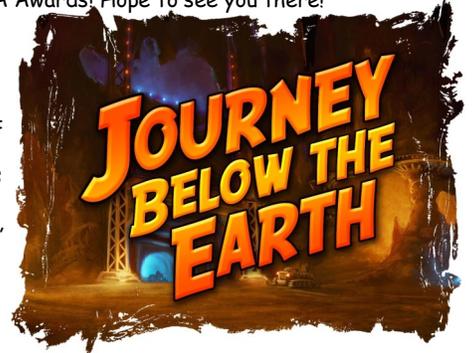
It's time, kids! All the hard work you have put in this year will pay off as you visit the AWANA Store. Our end of the year party, store night, & awards night is May 5th. We will meet at 5 p.m. as usual and go until 6:30 with pizza, games, and the store. Parents, join us at 6 pm for AWANA Awards! Hope to see you there!

We are nearing the end of another adventure as we've been taught not just to read God's Word, but to obey it. James 1:22: "Obey God's message! Don't fool yourselves by just listening to it." We will wrap up this study on Wednesday night, **May 15th**. The next Wednesday, **May 22nd**, we will have our Grand Finale of the Bible Quiz Game Show. It's a tight competition between the boys and girls right now and this finale will determine this year's champion team.

On the **29th**, we will have our Championship Party. Plan, right now,

not to miss any of these Wednesday nights!

Treasure Hunters Summer Camp registration is going on right now. Parents, sign your children up for this wonderful opportunity. We will be going to Lake Tiak-O-Khata on July 15-17 and focusing on **Matthew 6:21**: "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Cost is \$185 with a \$50 non-refundable deposit (to be applied to total cost) due with the registration form. Registration forms are available in the Education Building and church office. Limited space so sign up now. Deadline for sign up is **Wednesday, May 29!**



Sunday, June 2. **VBS Workers Luncheon** in the fellowship hall immediately following the morning service. After a brief orientation, everyone will be dismissed to decorate their classrooms.

Keep on the lookout for dates!
Summer Blast is on it's way!




Mother's Day
2019
ANNUAL OFFERING

"God's grace in their lives has led to grace extended throughout their ministry today and for generations to come."



THE BAPTIST CHILDREN'S VILLAGE

We will be collecting the Annual Mother's Day Offering for The Baptist Children's Village Sunday, May 12.



WEDNESDAY Night MEALS

May 1
Chicken Spaghetti, Green Beans, Salad, Rolls, Mama's Cake

May 8
Meatloaf, Creamed Potatoes, Succotash, Salad, Roll, Dessert

May 15
Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Cowboy Beans, Slaw, Cookies

May 22
Taco Salad, Pinto Beans, Strawberry Shortcake

May 29
Hamburger Steak, Lemon Rice, Peas & Carrots, Rolls, Dessert

5:30 p.m. \$5 per person
Make your reservation!

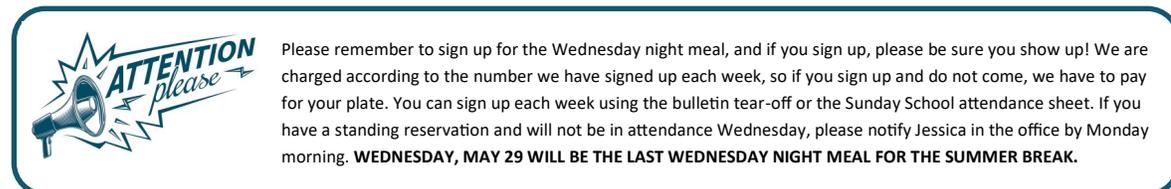


i love yazoo

May 19th we will have our I Love Yazoo Day at Yazoo Estates. We will be ordering t-shirts again also. Deadline to order is **May 9th**. Small-Large are \$10. XLarge and up are \$12. Call the office to order yours and join us May 19th at Yazoo Estates.

DID YOU KNOW?

Your regular giving makes ongoing ministry and missions possible as we fulfill the mission God has given us as a church. Each week we strive to "reach and equip the generations to become fully devoted followers of Christ." There are many ways to give at FBC Yazoo, but one of the easiest is through our Online Giving Platform. Go to fbcyazoo.org/give to set up your giving account. Online Giving is safe and secure. You can make a one-time gift or schedule a recurring gift so you do not have to remember to write a check. You can give regularly to the general budget or choose to give above and beyond your tithe to the Challenge to Grow Campaign, Missions, and other designated funds. If you have questions about Online Giving, feel free to contact Jessica in the office (662.746.2471).



ATTENTION please

Please remember to sign up for the Wednesday night meal, and if you sign up, please be sure you show up! We are charged according to the number we have signed up each week, so if you sign up and do not come, we have to pay for your plate. You can sign up each week using the bulletin tear-off or the Sunday School attendance sheet. If you have a standing reservation and will not be in attendance Wednesday, please notify Jessica in the office by Monday morning. **WEDNESDAY, MAY 29 WILL BE THE LAST WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL FOR THE SUMMER BREAK.**

May 2019

Sunday Services
 9:45 am—Sunday School
 11:00 am—Worship Service
 5:00 pm—Awana & Small Groups

Wednesday Services
 6:00 pm—Prayer Meeting, Children's & Students Bible Study
 and Ladies Bible Study
 6:45 pm—Choir Practice

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Deacon of the week: 5 - Mike Williams, 12 - Bobby Barton, 19 - Steve Coody, 26 - Phil Dixon</p>			1	2	3	4
<p>5 Senior Recognition Sunday • Cinco de Mayo "fiest-er" at the Sibley house (Youth) • AWANA Store & Awards Night</p>	6	7	8	9	10	11
<p>12 Happy Mother's Day Baby Dedication during AM Service</p>	13	14	<p>15 Summer Missions Commissioning Service</p>	16	17	18
<p>19 i ♥ yazoo</p>	20	21	22	23	<p>24 Crest Hill Mission Trip</p>	25
26	<p>27 MEMORIAL DAY</p>	28	<p>29 Last day to sign up for Kid's Camp at Lake Tiak-O_Khata!</p>	30	31	

WATCH US LIVE ONLINE!
 Sunday morning services are available **LIVE** online. You can watch the service by going to www.fbcyazoo.org and clicking on the "Live Stream" on our home page.

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