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Ardmore BAPTIST CHURCH

Connecting People with Jesus Christ

Summer Choir

Continues Through August

If you have ever wanted to sing in the choir but couldn't attend the Wednesday night rehearsals, then Summer Choir is for you! It's easy, fun, and helps us keep the choir loft filled in the summer months.

- No Wednesday night rehearsals
- No robes on Sundays
- No experience reading music needed
- Familiar, easy hymn anthems you can learn in a 15-minute rehearsal
- Come to the choir room 15 minutes before the service starts to go over the music
- A folder and music will be ready and waiting for you

Our Mission:

"To connect people of all ages with Jesus Christ and each other in life-changing relationships."

We Welcome The Tankersleys!



Left to Right: Henry, Tyler, Jess, Charlotte, Owen

Tyler's first Sunday with us as our Senior Pastor is August 4. Please continue to pray for him and his family during this transition. Beginning August 13, Tyler will be available for coffee, lunch, and conversation; or you may choose to sign up for dinner with the whole family. To reserve a time, contact Janet Tyler's e-mail will be ttankersley@ardmorebaptist.org and office phone will be 336-725-8767, ext. 101.

Churchwide Assessment

On July 29, a churchwide e-mail will be sent with a link to a Growing Young Assessment. Completing this brief survey will help our team better understand the culture of our church and help direct them as they plan for intergenerational ministry. The survey takes about 5-10 minutes and responses will be confidential. If you have questions, please contact Dane or Gina. Those without e-mail will be offered an opportunity to complete the survey at church.





Passport Missions Reflections

The day would start with Bible study and then missions. My group went to a food bank and a local resident's home. From painting in the heat to throwing out old chicken broth, these missions helped me get out of my comfort zone. Once missions were done we had free time, worship, and fun activities like a dance, variety show, and rec party. Last but not least we had church group devotion. During this time we would reflect on the day and share about our faith. My week at Passport Missions allowed me to meet new friends, grow closer to the old ones, and help people in the Greenville community.

- Kara Preli

This past week our church youth group went on a mission trip at Passport Camps in Greenville, South Carolina. The theme was *Fearless* and the theme verse came from 1 Corinthians 16:13-14. We were split up into small groups full of strangers from many different churches which was quite scary for some of us. Little did we know that by the end of the week we would grow closer with these strangers than we could have imagined. Each small group was sent to help at a different site. My group was helping with an organization called Maggie's School where we were supposed to help paint a thrift store. We were surprised to find on the first day that the basement of the store had flooded from the rain, and we spent the day shoveling out 300 gallons of water. Despite the minor setback, we managed to get a lot done and it was so cool to see the progress we made in just a week. Overall, this mission trip was a very growing experience. From growing closer with new and old friends to learning how to be fearless in Christ, we knew God's presence was with us each day.



- Lisa Wei



A missional summer starts like any other but at some point you realize that you are far from the person you were at the start of the summer. You have been awakened to God's activity in the world, participated in loving your neighbor in a variety of ways, and understood that all lives do not look like yours. You realize you have a part to play and have built a stronger community of believers throughout it.

This summer we have seen many missional moments in the Bahamas and at Passport Missions in Greenville, SC. We experienced kids like Big D and Watson. We were able to lose the blinders and start seeing people as people and children of God. Each of these days challenged us in new ways to speak to one another, be physically uncomfortable in the heat, and put our baggage and desires aside for the sake of another. In the midst of these efforts God spoke to us! We learned that we need to remain steady in praying communally, to seek to be consistent in the practice of our faith and relationships with him, and to build an accepting and non-judgmental community. God has been active in us this summer. We hope you have experienced God in neat and amazing ways, too. As the summer draws to a close, how might we continue our missional activity here in our community and city? It gets messier and it's in front of us each day but that's what's so amazing...we get to see the growth that God brings and get the chance to be the consistent presence in a life.

- Dane Martin

Ardmore ABCs...

Congratulations to:

Madison Lackey Pichardo, and husband **Kevin** on the birth of a son, **Luca Alejandro Pichardo**. Grandmother is **Jill Lackey**;

Micah and Brittany Womble on the birth of a son, **Banks Womble**. Grandparents are **Dan and Jan Womble**;

Kathy Stewart, Music & Hospitality Assistant, 2 years on July 24th;

Susan Griffin, Financial Assistant, 19 years on August 7th;

Jim Davidson, Worship, Music, & Arts Educator, 4 years on August 17th;

David & Shearra Jackson, married 55 years on August 2nd;

Chris & Lisa Turner, married 35 years on August 4th;

Arnold & Margaret Powers, married 66 years on August 11th;

Dick & Kathy Lowe, married 20 years on August 14th;

Ray & Vicki Freeman, married 62 years on August 17th;

David & Debbie Niblock, married 30 years on August 19th;

David & Jean Jordan, married 64 years on August 27th;

Joe & Anne Sugg, married 55 years on August 30th



One of the most beautiful parts of working with preschoolers is seeing them make connections in their play. Our two year olds loved playing with brightly colored magnetic tiles this year. Their play developed from sorting and stacking to building horizontally and then to building vertically in their classroom windows. Play can develop more deeply when the child is in a rich environment. We go to chapel each week and admire the sun pouring in through the stained glass windows. What a memorable moment we experienced when one of our preschoolers made a great connection between their magnetile building and the stained glass in our sanctuary. "Look I made the stained glass!" Soon we will welcome many new families from our community into our church and preschool each day for another great year. We can't wait to see what connections will be made and relationships built!

- Julie Sugg

PassportKids Camp



Growing Young

"Those who love deeply never grow old."

- Dorothy Canfield Fisher

Everyone is searching for that fountain of youth, but it may just be love. Loving others well creates a place of compassion and acceptance that all people crave, and one that today's young people desperately need. Join us for our second *Growing Young* seminar on Sunday, July 28, during the Sunday Bible Study hour (9:30 a.m.). Tamara Snipes will lead the discussion on some of the challenges youth and young adults of today are facing and how we need **all ages** to join together to be the church that loves them well. You never know... it may help you grow young along the way. Join us!

Correction

Devon Oakes will attend UNC Wilmington in the fall (not Chapel Hill).

Notes Of Gratitude

*R.J.R. Baccalaureate Committee
Melanie Bell, Founder/Director
City Lights Ministry*

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Tech Time

One Sunday I asked the congregation to pull out their smart phones and download an app. I didn't realize how many people didn't know how. Later, the Handicrafters invited me to talk to them about partnering with our youth to learn about using smart phones, tablets, and computers. For many, technology has moved faster than they can keep up. So it is seen as a frustration, not something that makes things more convenient. Linda Cline and I decided to do something about it and have birthed Tech Time. At Tech Time, students and adults are paired together for a 30-minute session. The adult shares his/her questions and frustrations and the youth listens and provides a step-by-step tutorial. This brings understanding across generational lines and conversation between groups who don't generally engage, giving us a win-win. We look forward to more of these sessions bringing all people from the church together.

- *Dane Martin*

Helping Neighborhood Children

Our church is excited about what God is doing to create a relationship to Moore Elementary School within the Ardmore neighborhood. We have met with the school administration to listen to their dreams, strengths, and needs in order to discern how Ardmore is called to serve. Seventy-eight percent of Moore School students live below the poverty level, so our help is welcome. Their staff is very excited to partner with our church. The primary ways you can help Moore are reading to/tutoring children and donating specific items of need. Watch for more information on how you can get connected.

Crossroads Adult Seminar

Wednesdays, September 4 - October 9; 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall B

What do you believe? It's a big, broad question that is being asked by our culture now. Everyone is on a journey of seeking and searching. What are the beliefs that make someone a Christian? The early followers of Jesus organized a statement of belief that summed up the beliefs of Christian faith called the Apostles' Creed.

Tyler Tankersley will lead us through a study of the Apostles' Creed. We will explore some of the foundational beliefs of Christians. We will also dive into how these beliefs are not meant to be kept on a shelf, but are designed to inform and direct our everyday lives.

For the Record – June 30 - July 21

ATTENDANCE				STEWARDSHIP		
DATE	SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY	MORNING WORSHIP		BUDGET RECEIPTS	YEAR-TO-DATE	
		8:15	10:45			
6/30	353	NA	403	\$24,107	Needs	\$1,087,260
7/7	405	69	359	\$67,413	Receipts	\$1,033,649
7/14	395	92	381	\$21,711	Over/(Under)	(\$53,612)
7/21	370	82	384	\$15,803		