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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates. (Deut. 6:6-9)

Father's Day is a celebration honoring fathers and celebrating fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers in society. The tradition was said to be started from a memorial service held for a large group of men who died in a mining accident in Monongah, West Virginia in 1907. It was first proposed by Sonora Dodd of Spokane, Washington in 1909. Father's Day from the beginning had ties to church in honoring fathers that had passed and in time came to honor all fathers, father figures, and the influence of fathers on society.

There is also research showing the influence of fathers in matters of faith. According to data collected by Promise Keepers and Baptist Press, if a father goes to church regularly, regardless of what the mother does, between two-thirds and three-quarters of their children will attend church as adults. If a father attends church irregularly, between half and two-thirds of their kids will attend church with some regularity as adults.

In this day and time, we should look at the faith of the fathers and father figures as deeply influential to the faith life of our children. We honor our Heavenly Father by sharing and living our faith as earthly fathers and father figures. Let's bless and grow the next generation and let's pray for our fathers and father figures.

Blessings,
Pastor Greg Soult

ANTIOCH SENIOR'S GROUP



SENIOR GROUP GATHERING

Monday, June 10
11:30 a.m.
4050 Gaskins Road
Glen Allen, VA 23060

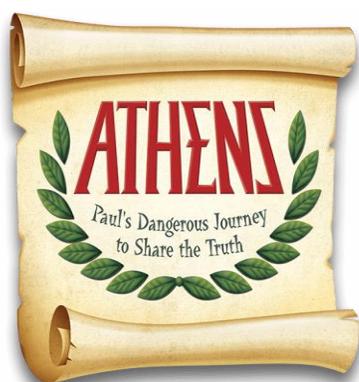
Hope to see everyone at our June luncheon meeting at Golden Corral! If you want to carpool, meet at the church at 10:30 am (leaving at 10:45). For those who have paid their dues for 2019, lunch is on us! Anyone else is welcome to come along and pay their own way. *FUN AND SURPRISES!*

We had a great crowd and excellent presentation by Richmond Times-Dispatch columnist, Bill Lohmann at our May meeting. Thanks for coming, everyone!

When you see them, say thank you to our Executive Board (Pat Chalkley, Ruby Vaughan, Bonnie Winn, Jo Gillen, and Carroll Allen) and our Kitchen Crew (Nancy Hardee, Rita Johnson, Dave Hampton, and Robin Moretz) for all their hard work this year.

Seniors will be resting up during July and August but will be back on the 2nd Monday of each month in the fall. Mark your calendars now (and don't make any appointments!) for September 9, October 14, November 11, December 9). Watch out for details and become part of our senior fellowship!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Join us June 17-21 for Vacation Bible School – All ages welcome! Imagine leaving a life of privilege and power to face angry mobs, painful imprisonment, and chain-breaking earthquakes – all to spread the life-changing truth of God's love. Learn the jaw-dropping story of the Apostle Paul...straight from Paul himself! In an ancient "anything goes" culture, Paul will inspire kids to share the truth of God's immeasurable love today. Register online at www.antiochsandston.org (Snacks will be provided for the children each day)

Monday, June 17 – 5:30-8:00pm
Tuesday, June 18 through Friday, June 21 – 6:00pm-8:00pm

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Happy Birthday to everyone celebrating in the month of JUNE: Debbie Bendle(8), Christopher Boggs(8), Lucas Mitchell(8), Doswell Lawson(11), Jackie Smith(13), Teresa Stillion(14), Virginia Burton(16), Annie Wade(18), Kim Hepler(22), Nancy Hardee(28)

(If your birthday has been inadvertently left off the birthday list or entered incorrectly, please contact the Church Office.)

WMU – WOMEN’S MISSIONARY UNION

WATCHWORD: “My dear friends, stand firm and don’t be shaken. Always keep busy working for the Lord. You know that everything you do for him is worthwhile” (1 Cor. 15:58, CEV)

OUR MISSION: TO INFORM AND INSPIRE Christians to influence their world for Christ.

The month of June, Woman’s Missionary Union is speaking about Vacation Bible School for Senior Adults. VBS had taken on a new role with many churches choosing to offer VBS at night or on a weekend. But what about stepping beyond the church walls to personally deliver the gospel to an often-overlooked sector of our society? What if we took VBS on the road to a local nursing home or senior center? Never under-estimate the power of God’s love or His Spirit. I know plans have been made here but what about next year? Let’s give it a thought and pray about this. Only through the power of His Holy Spirit can we be His messengers (Acts 1:8).

Our mission project for the month of June will be a donation to GraceInside. This organization works with women prisoners with Lynn Litchfield as the Director.

On May 9 Dover WMU held their Annual Meeting at Four Mile Creek Baptist Church. We are happy to report that 17 people from Antioch Church attended. The guest speaker was Ruth Graham, (Daughter) of Rev. Billy Graham. Two sessions were held, one at 4pm and the other at 7pm. She was very inspiring and wonderful to listen to. She gave a lot of food for thought. I wish everyone could have heard her and hear that she was a normal kid even though she was a MK (Missionary Kid).

“JUST FOR TODAY:” I will be happy; I will not dwell on thoughts that depress me. If my mind fills with clouds, I will chase them away and fill it with sunshine. – from Dear Abby

Joyce Adams, Reporting for WMU

ANTIOCH CHILDREN/YOUTH NEWS

We are looking for adults to help with children beginning September during Sunday School and Worship time. Please let us know if you can help in any way big or small.

July and August - there will be meetings for girls ages 4 to 12 once a week.

Promotion Worship Service date is August 18th.

2019 Sunday School promotion attendees will begin new class September.

Beginning September 2019

Boys and girls in 4th grade and up will remain in the Sanctuary for Worship time.

We hope they will participate in Sunday Sanctuary tasks; such as handing out bulletins, take up offering, read Bible verses, check pew supplies, light candles, ring the bell and more with Pastor and Deacon approval.

- ❖ **First Sunday of each month** boys in 4th and 5th grades will meet during Worship time as a group, leader Alicea Sanders.
- ❖ **Third Sunday of each month** boys in 6th grade and up will meet during Worship time as a group, leader Alicea Sanders.

Please contact Alicea Sanders for more information or if you have a talent to share with the children and youth.
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Thank you for sharing your child with us at Antioch Baptist Church.