CHILDHOOD MINISTRIES NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR

January 5th **Regular Sunday AM** Schedule

January 8th **MIDWEEK Resumes** 6:00-7:30p

January 26th **New Members' Class** & Luncheon

March 17th-21st **Spring Break**

April 13th Palm Sunday-pick up your Easter Family **Activity Basket**

April 20th **Easter Sunday**

May 4th **New Members' Class** & Luncheon

<u>May 14th</u> Last MIDWEEK of the semester





VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School is JUNE 1st-5th (Sunday-Thursday) from 6:30-8:45pm. VBS is for children who have completed prekindergarten through 6th grade. Our Prek and Kindergarten kids will experience their own rotation, our 1st through 4th graders will go through the Elementary rotation, and our 5th graders will have their own rotation. Remember, it's what grade your child was in for the 2024-25 school year. Register using the QR code to the left or click here.

We are also seeking volunteers for VBS! Contact Emily to sign up! Volunteers who have children between the ages of 0-4 years will be able to bring their kids to our MINI-VBS held at the same time.

CROSSTIMBERS CAMP





CrossTimbers is June 20th-23rd (Friday-Monday) and is for kids who are currently in 3rd-5th grades. Registration is now open and the cost is \$100 which includes a t-shirt and a \$10 spending card. This year's theme is "HAVE YOU HEARD?" and our key verse is Isaiah 40:28 "Do you not know? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the whole earth. He never becomes faint or weary; there is no limit to his understanding." If you are interested in going as a sponsor (especially guys!!!), please contact Ms. Emily for an application. Use the QR code to the left or click here to register.



EMILY TOWNLEY CHILDHOOD MINISTER WATERLOO ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH SCRIPTURE READING RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES

The New Year is here and it's a great time to start or refresh the habit of studying Scripture as a family. Whether you have preschoolers or elementary kids, it's never too early to begin instilling a love of studying God's Word. While it can be a daunting task, it will have eternal rewards as well as deepening relationships and prompting faith discussions within your family.

 A companion to the curriculum utilized on Sunday mornings in the Childhood area is the Gospel Project @ Home. This resource is designed to fuel family discipleship in your home in partnership with what kids are learning on Sundays. The Gospel Project At Home is designed to give you a realistic, yet meaningful, starting point of a one night a week family worship time. Use the QR code to the right or click <u>here</u> to access videos, guided prayer times, Scripture memory videos.



- For families who are looking for how to study Scripture with their preschoolers, check out WRBC's Faith Path Family Time: Creating Intentional Moments packet <u>here</u>. Another great resource is Hunter Beless's picture book Read It, See It, Say It, Sing It: Knowing and Loving the Bible which can be found <u>here</u>.
- For families with elementary age kids, check out *Foundations for Kids: New Testament: A 260-Day Reading plan* written by Robby and Kandi Gallaty. This resource takes kids through the New Testament, teaching them to utilize the H.E.A.R. method in an ageappropriate way. Foundations can be found <u>here</u>. Adult and student versions are also available, which means the entire family can study Scripture together.

WRBC CHILDHOOD MISSION STATEMENT

WATERLOO ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH BELIEVES PARENTS ARE THE PRIMARY DISCIPLE MAKERS OF THEIR CHILDREN. THEREFORE, OUR GOAL IS TO PARTNER WITH AND EQUIP PARENTS IN DISCIPLING THEIR CHILDREN. WE EXIST TO HELP CHILDREN SEEK GOD AND SERVE HIM AS WHOLLY DEVOTED FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST.

CONNECT GROUPS

GOD INSTRUCTS HIS PEOPLE

January 5th: The Ten Commandments (Exodus 19-20, 31)

Preschool Conversation Starters: Why did God give His people the Ten Commandments? Which of the Ten Commandments is the hardest for you to follow?

Elementary Conversation Starters: What are the Ten Commandments? (See Ex. 20:1-17.) How do the commandments teach us to love God and people?

January 12th: The Golden Calf (Exodus 32, 34)

Preschool Conversation Starters: Why did the people ask Aaron to make a golden calf? God deserves all our worship and praise. How can you praise God today?

Elementary Conversation Starters: Why was God right to be angry with His people's sin? How does Jesus save us from God's judgment of sin?

January 19th: Building the Tabernacle (Exodus 35-40)

Preschool Conversation Starters: What kinds of things did the people bring to help build the tabernacle? Why did God want to be with His people?

Elementary Conversation Starters: Why was the tabernacle built? Why do we not need a tabernacle today?

January 26th: Worship at the Tabernacle (Leviticus 16, 19, 26)

Preschool Conversation Starters: Why did Aaron, the priest, make sacrifices to God? How can we be forgiven for our sins?

Elementary Conversation Starters: Did Aaron need forgiveness of his sins too? Why? Why is Jesus the perfect and final sacrifice for sin?

MIDWEEK



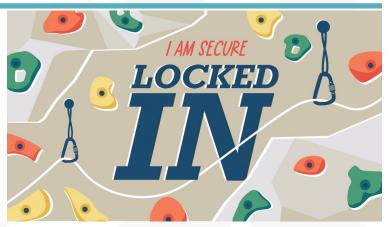
PRESCHOOL & YOUNGER ELEMENTARY

January 8th: God Takes Care of Me–God Is Strong (Joshua 1-2; 6) January 15th: God Takes Care of Me–God Is My Peace (2 Kings 4:1-7) January 22nd: God Takes Care of Me–God Is Trustworthy (Exodus 13-14) January 29th: God Takes Care of Me–God Is Faithful (2 Kings 6:8-23)



2ND - 5TH GRADES

January 8th: I Am Secure–God Is Strong When I Am Weak (Joshua 1-2; 6)



January 15th: | Am Secure–God Is My Peace When | Am Anxious (2 Kings 4:1-7)

January 22nd: | Am Secure–God Is Trustworthy When | Doubt (Exodus 13-14)

January 29th: | Am Secure–God Is Faithful When | Am Confused (2 Kings 6:8-23)