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Good morning, Northside Family.

We've got a gaping hole in our gathering this morning as 91 from our Northside Family are at Corin Read Christian Camp. The 4th-12th grade campers and an excellent counseling/teaching, cook, medical and craft staff arrived yesterday and will continue the camp session through Wednesday. Their theme this week is "Identity" based on John 1.12. Let's all do our part in praying, seeking God's greatest blessings of the faith-building, friend-making time that only church camp can provide!

The Beginner's Camp begins this coming Friday and concludes on Saturday evening. A group of 36 will be there for Beginner's Camp and a great, overnight opportunity for our 1st-3rd graders to get a taste of church camp.

Isn't it a tremendous blessing to have Corin Read Christian Camp? For years to come, children and families (all of us!) will be forever grateful of the generosity of the late **Melva Wallace**, her late brother **Dayle Ball** and their family in donating the land for Corin Read Camp (the camp is named for Melva and Dayle's grandfather, Dr. Corin Read, who purchased the 110 acres of land over 100 years ago). So many from Northside have invested financially and through sweat equity to turn the property into a very beautiful camp. Thank you to each one who has donated time, talent or treasure to make week's like this one possible for our children.

Last Sunday morning during the invitation to prayer, **Contessa Scism** asked for us to pray for her and her family. Contessa, **Eric & Charsy** are an invaluable part of our family, servant-hearted, and dedicated to their faith and to our fellowship. Contessa asked us to pray that God would remove the clutter from her heart that she might serve God wholeheartedly without distraction. Let's all continue to pray for and encourage Contessa.

In addition to next Sunday being Father's Day, it is also our second annual "Purple Sunday." Last year, you supported this effort, coordinated by **Melissa Baxley**, in wonderful fashion. Melissa offers an Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group meeting at Northside on the second Thursday of each month at 11:00 a.m. June is Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month. Each June 21, the longest day of the year, the Alzheimer's Association solicits support and raises awareness for families impacted by a loved one with Alzheimer's because, for those facing Alzheimer's, every day is the longest day. We invite you to wear purple next Sunday to show your support for a great cause and remember to pray for lives and families touched by Alzheimer's Disease.

Don't forget our Sunday evening Summer Series continues this evening at 5:00 p.m. **Dan Reed** will be sharing on the Hebrew 11 faith hero, Joseph (his story is told in Genesis 37-50). Hope to see you back this evening to learn and discern at the feet of a very wise, gifted teacher in Brother Dan.

The beau on Joseph's story is a perfect link with our story this morning from Mark on the demise of John the Baptist: "*You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives*" (Genesis 50.20).

I Love You all, Jim

Billy's Thoughts

Great news for Sunday Nights! **Todd Ferguson** got us started last Sunday with an outstanding reminder of the faith of Gideon. I also announced the need for two more speakers later in the summer. By Monday, two men had volunteered and chosen from among the remaining heroes of faith named in Hebrews 11, so the schedule is complete! I hope you'll make it tonight at 5:00 as **Dan Reed** brings a challenging lesson from Hero of Faith Joseph.

The ancient Greeks often erected a memorial chapel in their cities to honor and remember their local heroes. In fact, these buildings were called *hērōion*, from which we get our own word, hero. In some ways, I'd like to erect a memorial honoring those who volunteer to teach the Bible to our adults, teens and children. In this life, there are few if any activities more challenging, important and heroic.

Many years ago at a Pan American Lectureship held in Assuncion, Paraguay, I led a morning devotional for the participants. The hotel faced the central plaza of the city where there was a building called The Pantheon of Heroes, which I referenced in the devotional. This building was primarily dedicated to military leaders, many whom had died over a century earlier in a war against a triple alliance of Brazil, Uruguay and Argentina and which nearly wiped out the adult male population of Paraguay.

It is a reminder that to be a hero does not necessarily mean victory in this life. You don't have to clearly win to be a hero. All of the heroes of Hebrews 11 looked for a final victory and reward not in this life: *"These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised, since God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect"* (Hebrews 11:39-40).

A question worthy of consideration: *Am I too attached to success and recognition in this life?*

Conner's Contemplations

Good morning! I hope this article finds you all doing well! We are currently in full swing at Corin Read Camp. As many of you are probably aware, our theme this year is Identity. We are covering this topic over several days and each day has a theme for the topics of that day! The day themes are as follows: Amnesia, Discovery, Purpose, Security, and Identity.

When the teens arrived at camp, they were given a name tag, but after their first class yesterday it was taken away. It is to represent the idea that we want to drop all our baggage of who we were before camp. Today is *Discovery*. We will discuss how to discover who each teen is. This discovery is to represent the next stage in life of figuring out who you want to be. Tomorrow is *Purpose*. Here the teens will each be given a task during classes that is to be their purpose. The purpose is to represent the continuing stage in life where we search for purpose in all the wrong places. When, in fact, our purpose is already given, we must discover it (like the previous day). Following purpose comes *Security*. This day (Tuesday) teens will be given a list of questions and activities during class that will make them doubt their purpose. The goal is to stay secure in their discovered purpose. Again, this represents the stage in life where we can have things derail our identity and faith. Yet we must learn to stay secure in our purpose and identity. Finally comes *Identity*. The goal of this day is to get teens to acknowledge their identity, and to understand that our identity is with Christ. It is Christ who created us, who gave us purpose, and who gave us security in his love. This is to represent the full swing. Once we learn who we truly are, our purpose, and our security we have another mission. Our mission is to help others find their Identity in Christ just like we were helped by others.

A quick note on the shirts for Camp

The Shirts this year have a handprint on the front. It's supposed to represent Christ's handprint on us. Your handprint is unique and stays with you forever. That is why the handprint on our shirt is over our hearts. It is to remind us that Christ has placed his handprint on our hearts and we can never get away from it! His handprint marks us as individuals and we are unique much like our own handprints are unique to us. Every time we look at the handprint the idea is to be reminded that wherever we go, Christ is always with us.

I hope this article gives you a little insight into our camp this week! We want to encourage parents to come out Wednesday night too see our skits and hear a closing message about our Identity.



Vacation Bible School is coming up in just 5 weeks and we are needing all hands on deck! Our theme this year is MAROONED—*Steady Faith on Shifting Sands*. It will be a bit different than the last few years.

VBS Registration is online now, for both children and volunteers — find the link in our Facebook group, in your email or text and on the website at northsidecofc.info. Paper registration can be found in the office. For more information, see Dawn Mitchell.

Events in This Week

TONIGHT: Dan Reed-speaker

MONDAY: Library Day! Magician **Marty Boone** showing at 3:00 p.m. or 6:00 p.m.

MONDAY: Pickleball 6:30 p.m. in the Outreach Building for anyone 18 years of age and older. If you have any questions, please call **Ken Covington** at 501-213-7186.

TUESDAY: \$1.00 Movie at Tinseltown-Peter Rabbit @ 10:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY: Bible class 10:30-11:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY: Library Activity Day for ages 5-8 at 3:00 p.m. (Do a different activity every week, STEM, art, building, and escape rooms)

WEDNESDAY: Senior Campers return home. Families are encouraged to come at 6:30 p.m. for worship, cabin skits, and paper plate awards. Departure will be around 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY: Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group meeting 11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. **Melissa Baxley** is the facilitator.

THURSDAY: Playdate at Mills Park! Meet at 10:00 a.m.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY: Beginner's Camp for children entering 1st-3rd grade.

SATURDAY: Leave for UPLIFT. If you plan on riding the van, you need to be here by 11:00 a.m. The van will leave at 11:30 a.m. Please let Conner know if you will ride the van.

SATURDAY: Nick Rice & Madison Sipes invite you to join them on their wedding day at 6:00 p.m. at 567 Most High Loop, Hot Springs National Park

Love Notes and Heartstrings

I am sharing this from a Bible app—3 minute devotional for women. It reminds me of the friendships being formed through the Heartfelt Ministry! I hope it blesses you!

Friendships are critical to women, and godly friendships are the best. Can you even imagine a world without your girlfriends in it? Impossible! Who would you share your hopes and dreams with? Your goals and aspirations? Oh, what a blessing women of God are! They breathe hope and life into us when we need it most. They laugh along with us at chick flicks. They cry with us when our hearts are broken. Isn't it amazing to realize God calls us His friend? He reaches out to us with a friendship that goes above and beyond the very best the world has to offer. Best of all, He's not the sort of friend who loses touch or forgets to call. He's always there. And while your earthly friends might do a good job of comforting you when you're down, their brand of comfort doesn't even begin to compare with the Lord's. He knows just what to say when things go wrong and He knows how to throw an amazing celebration when things go well for you. Today, thank the Lord, not just for salvation, not just for the work He's done in your heart, not just for the people and things He's placed in your life, but for calling you His friend!

"When Jesus saw their faith, he said, "Friend, your sins are forgiven" (Luke 5:20, NIV).

Upcoming Events

June 17: Library Day! Fancyful Fairytales showing at 3:00 pm or 6:00 pm

June 18: \$1.00 Movie at Tinseltown-Grinch @ 10:00

June 19: Little Rock Zoo Meet at Zoo Entrance at 9:15

June 20: Playdate at the Hamilton's. Please get the address from Kristen.

June 21: Playdate in the outreach building. Meet at 10:00. Bring games and/or scooters/bikes/whatever. Also bring your own lunch(we will block off the parking lot so the kids can ride bikes outside)

Youth camps are in progress at Corin Read this week. The gate will be locked while camp is ongoing for the safety of our campers and staff. Visitors are discouraged so as not to disrupt a very full camp schedule for our children and staff. Unless you have been asked to come to camp for a certain activity, please do not come.

Prayer List: Frank Besancon suffered a compression fracture in his back from a fall in the shower. **Mark Greeno** will be reevaluated by his cardiologist in July for a partial blockage. **Amy Jones** is waiting for the results from her recent thyroid biopsy. **Bill Loe**, Jan Hastings 'dad, had a heart cath last week at UAMS. **Butch Redden**, Amanda Ashton's dad, is in ICU #216 at Saline Memorial Hospital being treated for heart trouble. **Chuck Rice**, Harold Stuart's nephew, has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer in both lungs and one kidney. **Diana Richard** had a procedure on her eye last week. **Harold Stuart** will get results from his recent PET scan on Tuesday. **Brenda Sullivan**, Sue Matheny's sister-in-law, had heart surgery last week and is doing better than expected post-surgery. Sue's brother, **Gary** (Brenda's husband, is being treated for cancer that has metastasized to the liver and lymph nodes. **Colby Turney**, son of Sabrina Wright, is now at home after having successful back surgery last week. **Madison Wilson** has a stress fracture in her L-5 vertebrae and will see a specialist on June 18. **Syble Womack** is being treated for having pneumonia.

Continue to remember: Joe Arnold, Linda Ball, Clint Barnhart, Tonda Belcher, Patrick & Blythe Bowers, Tyler Buck, Charles Caradine, James Chandler, Cash Clancy, Peggy Cobb, Houston Colson, Nancy Davis, Phil Davis, Todd Donahue, Susan Dorsey, Don & Patricia Flowers, Kelley Geurin, Tammy Givens, Mark Gober, Helen Hairston, W.K. Hannah, Shirley Harkreader, Logan Harris, Ronnie Hastings, Seth Henry, Richard Hooton, J.C. Johnson, Russell & Sarah Johnson, Barbara Joiner, Joe Kaderabek, Glenn Kays, Rod Kirk, Piper Lacey, Caleb Lambert, Reba Leonard, Lance Lieblong, Kim Lindgren, Wilma Lunsford, Charlotte Mabery, Nikki Magee, Peggy Manning, Robert & Sue Matheny, Bonnie Mayberry, James Mayberry, Carol & David Mayes, Dudley McClerkin, Manher & Louise Mehta, Darrell Messer, Sharon Pearson, Jewell Powell, Gary Pruitt, Francille Pryor, Mike Ransom, Whitney Redmon, Dan & Suzanne Reed, Dale Ridge, Earlene Russell, Bess Sanders, Margaret Scott, John Shelton, Mark Shepard, Janice Smith, Joyce Smith, Gene Speights, Patsy Steele, Letha Styles, Gary Sullivan, Fred & Edith Swaim, Shelly Thompson, Ruth VanZandt, Edna Weger, Angela Wilson, Billie Wilson, Bartha Wise, Mark & Mary Woodville.

Shepherds

Jim Acree Terry Hastings
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Curtis Evans Billy McLain
Julio Flores Steve Smith
Kelley Geurin Alejo Solis
Chris Givens Freddy Swaim
Javier Guzman

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Records: June 2, 2019

Bible Classes	268
AM Worship	518
PM Worship	140
Wednesday	258
Weekly budget	\$13,732.00
Contribution	\$16,073.10

Service Schedule

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Bible Study-Hispanic	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship-Hispanic	11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	5:00 p.m.
Sunday Children's Bible Hour	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Morning Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study-Hispanic	7:00 p.m.

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Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 8:30 a.m.--4:00 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m.--Noon

10:00 AM Worship

Jimmy Mitchell.....Worship Leader
I Will Call upon the Lord.....63
Todd Hastings.....Welcome & Family News
Hosanna.....167
You Are the Song That I Sing.....238
Before the Throne of God Above.....PH
Jeff Haughee.....Prayer
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Give Thanks.....(offering song).....68
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Nothing But The Blood.....902
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Jim Acree.....Shepherds Prayer

Infant Nursery

Martha Davis & Sue Edwards

Toddler Nursery

Stephanie & Abby Connell & Lindsay Rath

5:00 PM Worship

Communion

Kelley Geurin

Infant & Toddler Nursery

Teresa Phillips



Pantry Needs:

Tuna,
Cereal,
Toilet Tissue,
Dishwashing Liquid

During the summer months all of the backpack food items will be donated to the library. In addition to the food items that you have been bringing, the library is also collecting hygiene items such as shampoo, soap, toothpaste, etc.

NEED PRAYER

An Elder and his wife will be in the Elders' office after services to pray with anyone that needs prayer. Elder and his wife this week:

Rick & Keely Treadway