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Vacation Bible School "Rolling River Rampage" By Stephanie Thomas



Vacation Bible School, 2018, was a great success. "Rolling River Rampage" was the theme for the week of June 4th - June 8th. The focus scripture was Isaiah 43:2 New King James Ver-

sion (NKJV)," When you pass through the waters, I will be with you."

This was a week full of food, fun and fellowship. We had Bible Study, Arts and Crafts, and Music Classes. We truly enjoyed the wonderful meals that were prepared by our own Harold Osborne along with John Williams. We started each evening with a delicious meal before being spiritually fed. The interactive presentation of "Rolling River Rampage"

truly captured the attention of both the young and old with singing and fun parables to get us energized and eager to learn.

Through the scripture, we focused on how life can be a "Rolling River Rampage" with challenges, disappointments, sicknesses, and daily ups and downs, like a wild river; but with God, we can ride the waves of life safely in His arms. We learned songs of inspiration to keep us grounded while lifting our spirits as we experience the ride of a lifetime with God.

We will carry this lesson in our hearts. We have much to remind us of this wonderful week of fellowship, with the great crafts we made from shirts, to picture frames and so much more. As we will look back over

the years, we will be reminded how God is always with us through any challenge we face, any Rolling River; any Rampage. As God says, "When you pass through the waters, I will be with you and through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. " Isaiah 43:2

Special thanks to our VBS Director, Ursula Walker and the entire staff that sacrificed their time, talents and energy to help the participants, young and old, have a memorable experience.

Greenwood "Reaching the Lost & Teaching the Cross"

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Join the Mission

"Reaching the Lost and Teaching the Cross"

Staying Alive By Jewel Mcgahee

June 19, 2018, Antwon Rose II, a Pittsburg 17 year old, was the latest black male to be shot to death by a police officer. He was shot after running from a car that had been stopped by the police. As a youth of Greenwood, Pastor Harris told us how to avoid these encounters, in a sermon, just two weeks before Antwon's death.

Pastor Harris preached a sermon from Ephesians 6:1-2, 4. He reminded us that the Home is the University of Life,

where everything is learned. Your parents have already taught you right from wrong and how to respect others. If you heed their words and watch the company you keep, you will be a step ahead if your car is stopped by the police.

However, if you are stopped or pulled over, The National Black Police Association recommends that you: *Be respectful. Answer questions - yes sir, and no sir. *Open your car window. Turn on your

dome light so the police can see inside your car. *Get your papers out before the police come to the car. This includes license, insurance and registration. *Keep your hands in plain view. *Do not make sudden moves. *Do not run, resist, or protest too strongly.

Most importantly, pray throughout the encounter. Additional information can be found at <http://www.blackpolice.org/education/whattodowhenstoppedbythepolice81814.pdf>

Annual Father's Day Breakfast

What Makes A Dad

*God took the strength of a mountain,
The majesty of a tree,
The warmth of a summer sun,
The calm of a quiet sea,
The generous soul of nature,
The comforting arm of night,
The wisdom of the ages,
The power of the eagle's flight,
The joy of a morning in spring,
The faith of a mustard seed,
The patience of eternity,
The depth of a family need,
Then God combined these qualities,
When there was nothing more to add,
He knew His masterpiece was complete,
And so, He called it ... Dad*

Author Unknown



SS—Spring Quarter—Acknowledging God **By Mary Ferguson**

These lessons examine how Bible scriptures give testimony to God and most importantly, give instruction on how Christians should acknowledge God in our daily lives. Thus, building on individual faith, gives one the ability to worship God in truth and in spirit.

Unit one—Follow In My Ways. This unit highlights the personal commitment of Abraham to God and his true obedience to God's command. I believe when Abraham, gave his son Isaac as a burned offering, not knowing if God would save his son, was an expression of his faith and trust in God. Abraham's willingness to sacrifice Isaac, was also an act of following the will of God and to know for himself who God really is. God will always be with us and guide our path into righteous living.

Unit two—Give Glory and Honor to Jesus. These lessons focus on giving glory and honor to Jesus. Luke 24, tells us about the resurrection of Jesus after His death. While John 21 tells us that He appeared to His disciples a third time and now He wants each of us, like Peter to follow Him. Jesus desires that we tell others about repentance, forgiveness of sins and eternal life.

Finally, unit three—Give Praise to God. This unit of study helps us to understand that following God's will is an everyday journey. God asks for and deserves our first and our best. When Jesus rose from the dead, He was the first fruit of God's harvest. We should be willing to give our very best in our service to God and others. These lessons are also a reminder that faithful service to God requires making a personal sacrifice.



6.3.18 Annual Stewardess Day



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Graduates Recognition

Janarria McKay—Northwest Prep

Brittany Bethel— UT, Knoxville

James Alexander— TTU, Cookeville

Ebony Hazzle— UT Health Sciences, Memphis

Shelby Jones—Xavier U, New Orleans

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- ⇒ July 8 Pastor Bethel L. Harris, Jr. Appreciation
- ⇒ July 14 Budget/ Calendar/ Planning Mtg. 9a
- ⇒ July 15 Health Care Unit—Blood Pressure Screening
- ⇒ July 17 Church Conference 6p
- ⇒ July 22-25 WTR Annual Conference, Mt. Olive

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