

KID'S MINISTRY UPDATE



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Children's Minister

Great things are happening in the Kid's Ministry at Northside. If you want to find out the latest news, events, or areas of need, check out *Northside Kid's Ministry* on Facebook. Each week you can see pictures of the kids and stay current with the Kid's ministry.

A very important area that we are working on at this moment is adding new volunteers to the extended session rotation on Sunday mornings in the second service. We are asking Northsiders to prayerfully consider joining our Extended Session Force of volunteers. Every week we have many babies and preschoolers to love. What a great witness to show Christ's love to new families that are visiting our church. One of the first experiences that new families have is with the nursery. The last thing that we want them to see is an understaffed or chaotic nursery because of the lack of volunteers. The more volunteers we have sign up at the Connect Center, the less often each will need to serve. At this time we have enough volunteers for service once every six weeks; however, the goal is to have enough volunteers so they serve once every nine weeks.

It is now time to sign up for Over the Edge Pre-teen camp. Parents and students can sign up at the front desk in the A building. Pre-teen camp is Aug 3-7 for kids who have completed 3rd-6th grade. The cost is \$255.00. Scholarships are available.

Extreme Kids Live is coming back this summer. We will be starting May 10 in Building B. We start at 6:00 and end at 7:30 p.m. All kids entering Kindergarten - completed 5th grade are invited. This is a great way for kids and adults to get involved in the children's ministry. Volunteers are not expected to prepare anything or teach a lesson. All we need is for you to love the kids. Last year was our launch of Extreme Kids Live and it was a huge success. This summer we are expecting more kids to be involved.

Vacation Bible School is June 12-16. It is in the evenings from 6:00- 8:30 p.m. There will be a Connect Center this Sunday where you can sign up to volunteer. You can always call the church office to get your name on the help list. Children will be able to register soon.

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AT A GLANCE

<i>Sunday</i>	9:15a	Sunday School
<i>April 9</i>	9:15a	Worship Service
	10:45a	Sunday School
	10:45a	Worship Service
	10:45a	Kid's Church
	3:00p	Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal
	5:00p	Praiz Kidz/Praiz Kidz, Jr.
	5:00p	D Groups
	5:30p	The Collective
	6:00p	Bible Study
<i>Tuesday</i>	6:00p	Celebrate Recovery
<i>April 11</i>	6:00p	Zumba Fitness for Women
<i>Wednesday</i>	1:30p	Ladies Home Maintenance
<i>April 12</i>	6:00p	Rewind
	6:00p	AWANA
	6:00p	Student Hang Time
	7:00p	Student Bible Study
	7:00p	Worship Choir Rehearsal
<i>Thursday</i>	9:30a	Ladies Bible Study
<i>April 13</i>	6:00p	Zumba Fitness for Women
	6:30p	Missional Motherhood
<i>Friday</i>		Church Office Closed
<i>April 14</i>	6:00	Good Friday Service
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<i>Sunday</i>	9:15a	Sunday School
<i>April 16</i>	9:15a	Worship Service
	10:45a	Sunday School
	10:45a	Worship Service
	10:45a	Kid's Church
		No Evening Activities
<i>Tuesday</i>	6:00p	Celebrate Recovery
<i>April 18</i>	6:00p	Zumba Fitness for Women
<i>Wednesday</i>	8:45a	Senior Adult Appreciation
<i>April 19</i>	6:00p	Rewind
	6:00p	AWANA
	6:00p	Student Hang Time
	7:00p	Student Bible Study
	7:00p	Worship Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal
<i>Thursday</i>	9:30a	Ladies Bible Study
<i>April 20</i>	6:00p	Zumba Fitness for Women
	6:30p	Missional Motherhood
<i>Saturday</i>	9:00a	Upward Games
<i>April 22</i>		

STOPS ON THE JOURNEY



EASTER SCHEDULE

Easter is April 16. We will have a Good Friday service on April 14 at 6:00pm in the Worship Center. On Sunday, April 16, we will have our two services at 9:15am and 10:45am. You may want to consider going to the early service to leave room for our guests at the 10:45am service.

The church office will be closed Friday, April 14. There will be no evening activities on Easter Sunday, April 16.



ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING

The Annie Armstrong North American Missions Offering is underway. We will be collecting this offering until Easter. All of the money collected during this drive goes to North American Missions. Northside's goal is \$13,000. We have collected \$9,685 to date. Be in prayer about how you can help with this goal.



LADIES HOME MAINTENANCE WORKSHOP

Get your tools ready for another informative workshop. This one is April 12 at 1:30pm in Bldg D. Sign up at a Connect Center on Sunday or call the church office to register.

DATE NIGHT

Call the church office today if you would like to register your kids for Date Night, April 7. There is childcare available at the church from 6:00pm to 10:00pm. Childcare is free if you are attending a church fellowship. It is \$8 per child if you are not.



SPRING CONCERT

The Music Ministry of Northside will present a Spring Concert on Sunday evening, April 30, at 6:30pm. The Worship Choir and orchestra will be telling the Bible with music. You won't want to miss it.



NORTHSIDE BAPTIST SCHOOL

Our school is now registering 2 year olds through 5th grade for the 2017-18 school year. Contact the school at 361-578-5601 for more information. There will be a BBQ lunch fundraiser for the school on April 30. BBQ tickets will be on sale at a Connect Center on Sunday.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Our VBS is scheduled for the week of June 12 - 16. But none of this can happen without you. Call Dave Benefield if you would like to volunteer with VBS this year. There are so many ways you can help. Registration for children will be open soon.

:::SHORTLINES:::

PRISCILLA SHIRER SIMULCAST: Ladies don't forget that this Saturday, April 8, is the simulcast. You must have already purchased a ticket to attend. Doors open at 8:30am, simulcast begins at 9:00am.

UPWARD SOCCER: Games began last Saturday. Come watch the kids play soccer every Saturday at the Upward fields.

NORTHSIDE BAPTIST SCHOOL BBQ: Our school will be having a BBQ fundraiser on April 30. Watch for a Connect Center selling tickets this Sunday.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MISSION TRIP: There will be a mission trip to the DR for up to 15 Northsiders from August 3 to August 10. This trip is designed around our skill sets. There will be a huddle meeting immediately after the 10:45am worship service on April 9.

SUMMER MUSIC CAMP: Reserve July 17 - 21 for SMC. Call Tom Smith if you would like to help out. We will be begin registering children April 10.

SOFTBALL SCHEDULE: Did you know that Northside has a men's softball team? We do and this is their schedule:

April 6 8:00pm
April 13 9:00pm and 10:00pm
April 20 7:00pm
April 27 8:00pm
May 4 7:00pm
May 11 7:00pm

All games are at the Softball Complex on North Street.

EXTREME KIDS LIVE: Wednesday evenings at 6:00pm beginning May 10. Kinder - exiting 5th grade. See you in Bldg B.

HANDBELL CLINIC: Always wanted to learn to play handbells but didn't know where to go? We are having a Handbell Clinic on May 6 from 1:00 - 5:00pm. Maybe you are a little rusty with your skills and want to brush-up before you join the handbell choir. Call the church office to register for this class.

HOSPITALITY CREW: *The Hub* needs people to greet and guide on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in greeting visitors and guiding them to where they need to be, please contact the church office. We can use your smiling face. Don't like the outdoors? We need volunteers at the inside Welcome Center also. (FYI - The Hub has the good coffee.)

SYMPATHY TO AND PRAYERS FOR: Chuck Matson on the death of his mother, Carol Goodwin on the death of her mother, Julia Gonzalez on the death of her mother, the family of Joan Kagler on her death, the family of Lynwood Smith on his death, and the family of Wanda Newton on her death. We join together as a family of faith and pray as we celebrate Christ's gift of eternal life.

THE RECORD SPEAKS

MINISTRY ACTION PLAN

Received March 19

Budget Receipts:	18,802.06
Designated & Other:	7,350.00
Total Weekly Receipts:	26,152.06

Received March 26

Budget Receipts:	37,587.14
Designated & Other:	12,854.22
Total Weekly Receipts:	50,441.36

Received April 2

Budget Receipts:	50,585.05
Designated & Other:	4,364.95
Total Weekly Receipts:	54,950.00

Year-to-Date Need: 751,388.00

Year-to-Date Received: 739,037.21

BIBLE STUDY

March 19	424
March 26	456
April 2	520

WORSHIP

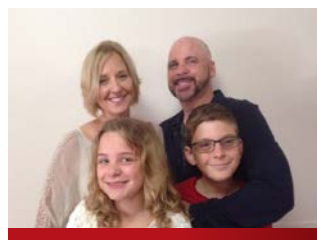
March 19	709
March 26	640
April 2	688

THE PASTOR'S BLOG

A few months ago, the tree in my front yard dropped all of its leaves. When I say all of its leaves, I mean all of them. They covered my front yard and the neighbor's front yard. After several rounds of raking and bagging, we finally had all of them picked up. What remained was the skeleton of the tree that just days before provided beautiful shade... read more at nbcvictoria.org/blog.

NEW FACES AT NORTHSIDE

We welcome these new folks to the community of Northside.



Melissa & Don Flounders
Lily & Benjamin



Katy & Doug Donaldson
Oliver, Liam, Katy, Dylan

**IN
FOCUS**



— journey ▲ together —

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9:15 & 10:45am Worship
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