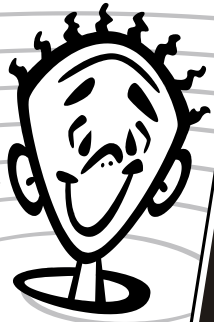


# KIDDING AROUND

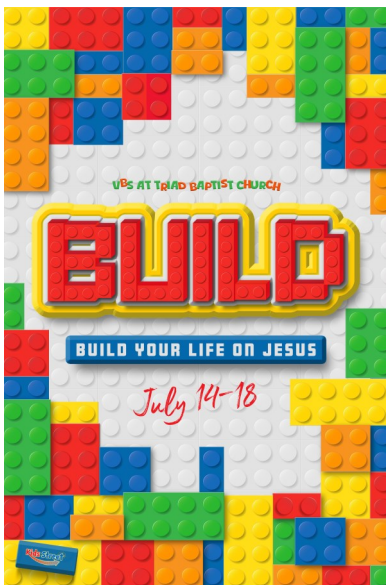


Triad Baptist Church ❖ Children's Ministries ❖ Kernersville, North Carolina

## What's Up JULY

**Monday, July 8th**

7:00 PM - This VBS "All Staff" Workshop is for all of our teachers, guides and coordinators. This is our final official staff meeting, so don't miss these last minute pointers to help ensure that our VBS 2024 will be the adventure of a lifetime for our kids!!



**M**oses and the Israelites stood on the banks of the Red Sea watching as a group of Egyptian soldiers were swept away by the raging waters of the sea. Only moments earlier, the Egyptians had been chasing the Israelites, determined to capture them and bring them back to Egypt to live as slaves. The Israelites had been trapped on the other side of the Red Sea when God performed the most amazing miracle. He made a path of dry land right in the middle of the sea! The Israelites cruised right across to safety, but when the Egyptians tried to cross, God used the waters to sweep them away. The Israelites were now safe! After executing this fantastic miracle right in front of their eyes, God directed the Israelites to a dry, dusty desert where they traveled in the scorching heat for 3 days. The Israelites went 72 hours with no water to look at, bathe in, or drink! That will make your tongue swell and your nose shut down. After traveling for three days, they discovered water. Finally their thirst would be quenched. YUCK!!! When they tasted the water, it was bitter and horrible. Now what were they supposed to drink? The Israelites grumbled and complained to Moses. He cried out to God! God showed Moses a piece of wood which Moses picked up and threw into the water. When the people took a second drink, they tasted sweet sparkling water. Imagine that! One minute the water tasted gross and bitter, and the next minute it was the greatest thing that their lips had ever touched! God used this little episode to get the Israelites' attention. God told them that He would continue to take care of them if they listened to Him and did what was right. Otherwise they would end up like the Egyptians. Needless to say, the Israelites got the message, and God led them to Elim where there were 70 palm trees and 12 springs. The moral of this story is to listen to God, and your life will be filled with sweet surprises!



Summer is a really AWESOME time of the year! Our children's ministry is in "high gear", that's for sure! Matter of fact, it will be tough to fit our monthly update into this section, but let's try ...

Our annual *Junior Camp* in June was such a blast. We took a great group of 21 excited fifth graders to Trinity Center in Pine Knoll Shores and enjoyed every minute of our camp experience! It is always a highlight of my year to go to Beach Camp with both old and new friends.

Our Junior Retreat for Grades 3-4 completed is going to be a blast again this year! The trip to Blowing Rock is scheduled for July 23-25 (Tues-Thurs). Pray for safety and for a great time away!

We start a new eight-week series in Kids Street this month. It is called **GAME OVER!** Join us as we study and learn from eight of the greatest comeback stories in the Bible!



We also hope that you fifth graders are working hard on your TALENT PROJECTS. We have just a few weeks left, and we will be finding out if you have invested your "talents" or buried them. I'm hearing some good reports but I'm looking forward to the formal presentations too (currently scheduled for late this month).

Whew! I'm already out of space, and I haven't even talked about our VBS, our "Fifth Grade Send-off" (Hello, Middle School!), our AWANA kick-off in the fall, etc. Have a great July!

Because of Him,  
Mr. Tim



# JULY BIRTHDAYS

## CHILDREN

1	Luke Moring (1)	11	Joseph Trantham (6)
2	Darcy Prevette (5)	11	Foster Mazingo (4)
2	Avery Collins (10)	12	Bond Sprague (3)
2	Avery Davis (5)	13	Grayson Hood (7)
2	Lexi Craven (6)	14	Autumn McDonald (9)
3	Jordi Smith (9)	15	Skylar Speaks (9)
3	Roberto Ceavega (9)	15	Peyton Derrick (2)
3	Logan Barrett (9)	16	Elodie Rogers (4)
3	Elizabeth Trantham (4)	16	Levi Constant (10)
4	Maclendon Cox (7)	18	Michael Greene (9)
4	Lyla Angel (11)	20	Lillian Barrett (7)
4	Asher Redmon (8)	21	Emmy Ginn (7)
5	Liam Harrelson (11)	21	Memphis Lewis (6)
6	Leighton Hackett (4)	22	Summer Benton (4)
6	Landon Mast (4)	23	Isla Yount (5)
6	Josephine Constant (7)	25	Emmaline Joyner (3)
7	Madelyn Hernandez (3)	25	Paisley Barajas (1)
8	Eloise Walker (8)	25	Mason Barajas (1)
8	Trenton Ayon (11)	26	Emma Prevette (9)
9	Will Browning (11)	28	Isabella Baker (3)
9	Stella Smith (6)	29	Tucker Pryor (6)
10	Peyton Rowell (4)	29	Kynsley Atkins (9)
11	Bennett Miller (6)	30	Kaitlyn Lindley (10)
11	Madilyn Veres (7)	30	Ellie Sue Jones (7)
11	Vivian Barneycastle (7)	30	Nolan Landreth (11)

## CHILDREN'S LEADERS

3	Abbie Ledwell (Nursery Sub)
3	Katie Miller (Preschool Teacher)
3	Hope Ginn (Nursery Dept.)
3	Robin Harrelson (Nursery Coordinator)
5	Wayne Welch (Church Staff)
6	Janet West (Checkpoint Hostess, VBS Snack Coordinator)
6	Donna Bostick (Church Staff, Pre-K SS Teacher)
8	Shawn Hackett (Nursery Dept.)
10	Kellie Sloan (Pre-K SS Teacher)
13	Brittany Freeman (Preschool Dept.)
13	Stephen Mast (Preschool Dept.)
18	Teri Craven (Nursery Dept.)
22	Emmie Midkiff (Nursery Dept.)
23	Ruthie Trantham (KS Connect - Fifth Grade Assistant)
23	Lisa Atkins (KS Connect Leader)
24	Brad Hendrix (Nursery Dept.)
25	Robin Harbaugh (Checkpoint Hostess)
26	Holly Mullins (Preschool Dept.)
27	Angie Steele (Preschool Dept.)
28	Laura Lindley (KS Connect Greeter)
29	Amy Speer (Nursery Dept.)
30	Neil Maready (KS Connect Teacher)



# TOTALLY TERRIFIC

Without reading this story, have a friend give you words that match the descriptions under the blanks below. For example, an adjective could be “heavy” or “sweet”. Fill in those words on each blank. Don’t let your friend see the story until all the blanks have been filled. You and your friend will be rolling on the floor after you create your silly saga.

I love donuts! My favorite donuts are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
ADJECTIVE  
\_\_\_\_\_. They are covered with the most delicious icing  
COLOR  
that \_\_\_\_\_ all down the sides. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
VERB \_\_\_\_\_ COLOR sprinkles are scattered like \_\_\_\_\_ all  
COLOR \_\_\_\_\_ NOUN PLURAL  
across the top. I just love to sink my \_\_\_\_\_ deep into  
BODY PART  
the donut’s \_\_\_\_\_ center. I hold the bite in my mouth  
ADJECTIVE  
for \_\_\_\_\_, savoring its \_\_\_\_\_ flavor before  
A PERIOD OF TIME \_\_\_\_\_ ADJECTIVE  
I let it \_\_\_\_\_ down my throat  
VERB  
and into my tummy. As I am  
overcome with hunger, I \_\_\_\_\_  
A SOUND  
like a \_\_\_\_\_ and bury my  
ANIMAL  
\_\_\_\_\_ in the box of donuts. I devour  
BODY PART  
them like a wild \_\_\_\_\_ who hasn’t eaten  
ANIMAL  
for \_\_\_\_\_ days. I love donuts!  
NUMBER



# SOME SIZZLIN SUMMER SWEETS



When the temperature is blazing outside, here are some frozen treats to cool you down.

## Ice Cream Creations

Take a block of ½ gallon ice cream, and strip off the packaging. Using an electric knife (parents only), slice the ice cream into 1 inch sections. Place the sections on wax paper and use metal cookie cutters to make the shapes of your choice. Place back in freezer until ready to serve. Add candies or fruit to the ice cream right before you eat it.



## Ice Cube Concoctions

Grab an ice tray out of your freezer and get ready to have some fun. The days of plain ice are over for you. Here are a few ideas to get your creative juices flowin’. Pour all of these ideas into an ice tray instead of using water.

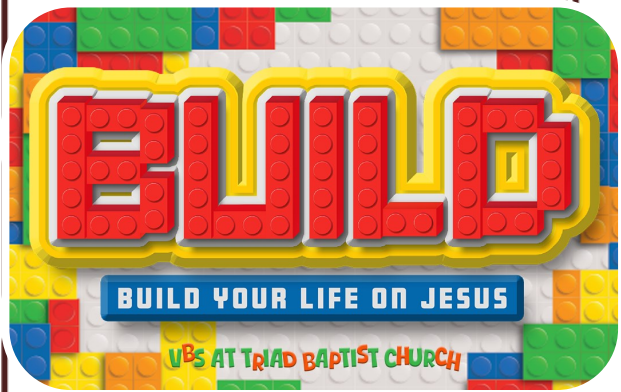

Put food coloring in water. You can have any color of ice you want. • Pour in some fruit juice to spice up that Sprite. Add a small piece of fruit per cube. You can use cherries, strawberries, grapes, pineapple chunks, or mandarin orange sections to make a pretty decoration. • Try different flavors of pudding. These turn out more like Popsicles, so you might want to insert a stick into each cube after about 30 minutes of freezing. • If you’re feeling brave, throw in a plastic bug or spider with plain water. Then volunteer to prepare the drink glasses for dinner and slip in one of the frozen bug-cubes! Your mom will love this one.



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	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 <b>9:00 am</b> KS Connect (Age 4 - Gr. 5) <b>10:30 am</b> KS Worship (Age 4 - Gr. 5) <b>Noon</b> - Junior Retreat Parent Camp Info Meeting (2 of 2)	8  <b>7:00 pm</b> VBS "ALL STAFF" WORKNIGHT (Setup Week Begins)				12	13
14 <b>9:00 am</b> - KS Connect <b>10:30 am</b> - KS Worship	15				19	20
<b>Nightly VBS - July 14-18 ... Age 3 (as of 7.17.24) through Grade 5 Completed</b>						
21 <b>9:00 am</b> KS Connect (Age 4 - Gr. 5) <b>10:30 am</b> KS Worship (Age 4 - Gr. 5)	22	23 	24 <b>JUNIOR RETREAT to Blowing Rock</b> (Grades 3-4 Completed)	25 	26	27 <b>1:00-6:00 pm</b> "Five Alive" Activity Day (Outgoing Fifth Graders)
28 <b>9:00 am</b> KS Connect (Age 4 - Gr. 5) <b>10:30 am</b> KS Worship (Age 4 - Gr. 5)	29	30	31	