

# Children's Ministry



**Summer  
2009**

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**June 22-26, 2009**

**9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.**

**DISCOVERY CANYON**

**EXPLORE THE WONDERS OF THE WORLD**

*“I will praise you, LORD, with all my heart and tell about the wonders you have worked.”* *Psalm 9:1*

Children will enter into the gullies and caverns with hearts, minds, and eyes wide open to explore the many wonders. Bible stories, vibrant images, and wondrous surprises await each child.

Daily themes include:

**Rejoice** - Liz the Lizard dances with joy (Exodus 14:21-24; 15:1-21)

**Pray** - Max the Mantis prays with Hannah (I Samuel 1:9-27)

**Ask** - Olivia the Owl comforts Jesus and the storm (Matthew 8:23-27)

**Tell** - Blossom the Burro shouts good news (Matthew 9:18-26)

**Seek** - Felix the Fox seeks help for a friend (Luke 5:17-26)



Classes are available for children who have completed a two-year preschool class through fifth grade.

**Local Mission Project:** Bring supplies for Pauline Jones School of Arts.

**Global Mission Project:** Children bring an offering each day to help provide for orphans in North Korea through the “Caring Through Sharing” project of The Outreach Foundation. This offering will provide school supplies and sports equipment along with nutritional food for these children.

**Friday, June 26, 2009 • 11:45**

**Closing Program and Family Picnic**

First Church invites families to attend the VBS closing ceremony and family picnic beginning at 11:45 a.m.

**DISCOVERY  
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**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

# INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!

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## SWIM DAY AT DARK BRANCH

*Wednesday, June 17, 2009,  
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. • Cost: \$3.00*



**For all children - preschool through fifth grade.** Meet at Dark Branch Racquet and Swim Club, 2400 Village Drive, Fayetteville. Also includes a Pizza lunch! We ask that parents of preschoolers plan to spend the day at the pool with their child.

## MUSIC CAMP

*Tuesday - Thursday, July 14-16, 2009  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.*

**For rising kindergarten, first, and second grade children.** Worship, songs, movement, instruments, games, snacks, and service!!



## ELEMENTARY FUN DAY

*Monday, July 27, 2008  
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. • Cost: \$9.00*



An adventure day for **rising second, third, fourth, and fifth graders** at Fantasy Lake Water Park, Carolinas' best spot for summer fun! Fantasy Lake is based out of a 6-acre man-made lake with a clean white sand bottom surrounded by beautiful white sand beaches. Enjoy dozens of activities in and out of the water as we have a unique Bible discovery event. Lifeguards are provided; however, if children are non-swimmers we encourage parents to attend.



## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission for children and their families is to provide Christian growth by nurturing their personal relationship with Jesus Christ through education, service to others, and fellowship.



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## SUMMER SPECIAL PRESCHOOL

*Tuesday & Wednesday, August 4 & 5, 2009*  
*10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.*

For Preschool 2s, 3s, and 4s - Bible stories, music, play time, creative learning activities, and snacks. Meet new friends and enjoy God's abundant love! These classes meet at the church.



## SUMMER SERVE 2009

June 13, 2009 • July 11, 2009 • August 15, 2009  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Children participate in several hands-on mission projects. In addition, families enjoy working together on a variety of local and global mission activities.

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### SPONSOR 3 ON THE 3RD SUNDAY!

Children's Sunday School classes will continue to collect offerings to sponsor three Haitian children: Ruthlyne Desire, Cawineda Castel, and Rebedson Bonhomme.

**For more information or to assist with any of these opportunities, call Charlyne Jones, Director of Children's Ministry, or Julie Cotty, Director of Christian Nurture, 483-0121.**

# Children's Sunday School

Begins June 14, 2009 • 9:45 a.m.-10:40 a.m.

## PRESCHOOL CLASSES

(Children will be promoted to new classes September 13, 2009.)

**Toddlers and Twos - Room 107**

**Threes and Fours - Room 106**

Bible stories that help children discover how God created the world; theme word is AWE. Children also learn how God meets their needs with the theme word AWARENESS. THANKFULNESS is the theme word for the remaining lessons as the children thank God for giving them their eyes, ears, hands and feet.



Preschoolers enjoy music and activity centers that review the Bible stories each week.

## ELEMENTARY CLASSES

(Children will be promoted to new classes September 13, 2009.)

**Kindergarten, First and Second Grades - Room 208**

**Third, Fourth, and Fifth Grades - Room 210**

### LIVING IN THE LIGHT

*"I have come into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in me should stay in the darkness." John 12:46*

Jesus speaks words of hope to us all. In our world today there is much darkness and brokenness. Children discover the truth that Jesus brings light -- He is the Light of the World. His light turns our lives around!

The Scripture stories feature people who have received and lived in Jesus' light:

John the Baptist, Bartimaeus, Zacchaeus,  
Mary Magdalene, and Paul.

Reenactments of these personal encounters will draw the children closer to Jesus Christ; they will learn what it means to believe in Jesus and to desire to live in His light.

Children enjoy both large group and small group sessions.



The Scriptures may be introduced through drama and expanded with projects and experiments. Each student becomes completely involved in the lesson.

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