

# July 2018



Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty [emancipation from bondage, true freedom].

—2 Corinthians 3:17 (AMP)

**July Memory Verse:**

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you...

**James 4:7-8**

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## Birthdays July 2018



To protect from identity theft, birthdays are not listed in the on-line version of the Chapel Communique. Thank you for understanding!



This month **Golden Heirs** will meet **Friday, July 13<sup>th</sup>**, at **6:30 pm** for their monthly fellowship meal. It will be at the **Fellowship Hall**. It should be a lot of fun!

If you need a ride, please call the office by Thursday.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

July 4<sup>th</sup> Independence Day (Office Closed)

July 8<sup>th</sup> Study — Pride Aside

July 12<sup>th</sup> Ladies Night Out (Ice Cream Social)

July 15<sup>th</sup> Study — Pride Aside

July 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> Vacation Bible School



Happy 4th of July!



# Victory Bible Camp — Junior Week

By Leigh Ann McGoogan

Things were a little fruity this year...the fruits of the Spirit to be exact. This year we focused on Galatians 5:22-23. The Fruits of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, gentleness, goodness, faithfulness and self-control. The teams got to choose their names based on these. We had the Pineapple Punchers, Strawberry Lemonades, Appleness (which everyone called Applejacks) and the Fruity Fruit Loops!!



Each day the campers had a morning and evening devo with their counselors on these.



To encourage the campers in these “fruits” they could earn a “canteen coin”. Which in turn got them a drink or ice cream from the canteen.

The response was amazing!! Everyday, campers, workers, counselors would tell me about someone they felt deserved a “canteen coin” for something that was done for them or something they witnessed done for someone else!!! It was very important for all to know that this was not about getting free stuff but rather about practicing everyday

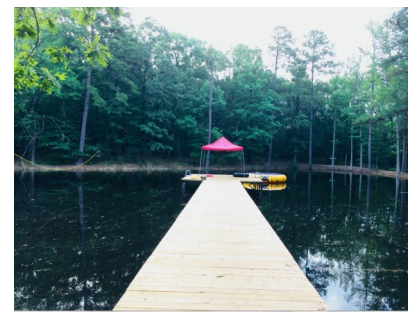
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# Victory Bible Camp

June was a month filled with camps at Victory Bible Camp: Work Week, Family Weekend, Junior Week, and Teen Week. The Word of God was taught and lives were changed.

The camping season kicked off with Family Weekend. Bill Kagey was the guest speaker and Nick Daniel led worship. It was followed by Junior Week where Donna Allen taught and Cliff Preston lead worship. The June camping season concluded with Teen Week. Homer Allison taught and Nick Daniel led worship.

There will be additional articles about camp in the next month’s Communique.

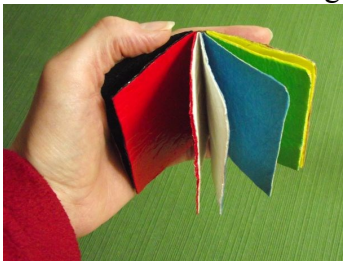


# Obedience

By Donna Allen

(VBC Junior Week Teacher)

On Tuesday, the second full day of camp, I went into Malvern to use the internet to download pictures of the campers in order to send home a picture memory. On the way back to camp, God said to me “do the wordless book.” I thought, “I don't even have a wordless book with me.”



(The wordless book is a book of colors that tells the Gospel message). I got back to camp and put together a wordless book. Evening chapel came and I already had a lesson prepared, but I felt like I needed to do what God had planned. I hurried through my prepared lesson and

went to pick up the wordless book, but I could not find it. I went ahead and told the story of the wordless book anyway. God was working on the hearts of the campers! When the invitation time came and the altars were opened, fifteen different campers came to the altar. The Holy Spirit was working, the campers were sobbing and praying to God. The sobbing could be heard throughout the tabernacle. Even after chapel, campers came to me with their hearts full and tears in their eyes to say thank you. From the moment God said to me "do the wordless book", God was in control!!!! God had the victory! Satan had defeat! To God be the glory, great things He has done!

## WORDLESS BOOK \*

**BLACK = Sin**

**Romans 3:23 — All have sinned**

**RED = Blood**

**1 John 1:7 — Jesus' blood covers all sin**

**WHITE = Pure**

**Psalms 51:7 — Jesus washes away confessed sin**

**YELLOW = Heaven**

**John 14:2 — Believe on Jesus and receive Eternal Life**

**GREEN = Grow**

**2 Peter 3:18 — Grow in the knowledge of the Lord**

\* This version may be different than shown at camp

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the way we ought to live and treat others as Christians!



Really, though the Holy Spirit was present everyday!! Chapel times were wonderful!! These campers were so responsive to altar call, not just one time, but each time. They would go to that stage and pray! I was inspired by their courage to be honest and to be real!!

A special thank you to Donna Allen, Cliff Preston for being, as Cliff would say, “Willing vessels”. Thank you to the workers, counselors, Cheryl, Regina, Loretta, Kay, Joe, Nadine, Joey, Kennedy, Jamie, Katie, Chris, Janice.

And a very special thank you to Blake Goff. He was a big help in so many ways!!

There just is no other place like Victory Bible Camp.



**Victory Bible Camp (50th Anniversary)\***  
**By Daisy Jeffcoats in 2003**

*I know two fellows who are very nice.  
They love the Lord and are very wise.  
One is tall and the other one shorter.  
Either one would give you their last quarter.*

*One is a preacher and a teacher.  
He's been around a long time.  
He's a jolly fellow,  
And he has a keen mind.*

*One helped build our Bible camp  
Quite a few years back.  
The other one works hard today  
To keep us on track.*

*You'll see this one up & down the highway  
Seeing what needs to be done.  
The other one is always ready  
To lead us in our fun.*

*If you see one man acting like a ham,  
You can bet your life this is Bro. Sam.  
The other one is our own Joe Williams,  
And the two of them together are worth millions.*

*Victory Bible Camp is a blessing from the Lord.  
The people in the church prayed & worked hard.  
We see lives changed and victories won,  
"Thank You, Lord" for a job well done.*

\*Edited Version

## Golden Heirs

This month, the Golden Heirs met at the Buffet Palace for a time of fellowship and food. It was a week later than normal due to Victory Bible Camp. Here are some moments captured by Eula Cottrell.





## SAVE THE DATE

It's not too early to start shopping for Christmas! Monday, July 16th beginning at 8 AM, the **Hannah Pregnancy Resource Center** will host its 4th annual online fundraiser.

The nonprofit center offers a variety of free services to those who find themselves facing an unplanned pregnancy. Services include free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, parenting classes, abstinence education, material needs, post abortive counseling, and other resources. Since 2000, the pregnancy center has served countless women and their families in need of help. Supporting this organization by participating in the auction will help them continue meeting a great need in Columbia, Ouachita and Union County.



This online event will have many items for auction. Local businesses have donated items and services in order to partner with the center as a way to serve their community. From home décor, to socket sets, to gift certificates, to gourmet foods, there is sure to be something for everyone.

The auction will run for one week and can be accessed this Monday, July 16th at 8 AM. The auction will close at 8 AM on July 23rd. Go to [www.hannahprc.com](http://www.hannahprc.com) and click the "Hannah Auction" banner.

## State Report Shows Arkansas Abortions Remain Near Record Lows

(From the Arkansas Family Council)

June 5, 2018 | Posted in [Abortion News](#) | By [Jerry Cox](#)

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Tuesday, June 5, 2018

On Tuesday the Arkansas Department of Health published its annual report on the number of abortions performed in Arkansas. The report shows abortion remained near record lows last year, with 3,249 abortions performed in Arkansas in 2017.

Family Council President Jerry Cox released a statement saying, "3,249 abortions were performed in Arkansas last year, slightly up from 2016 to 2017, but overall, the number has fallen by more than a thousand since 2014, and it is less than half of what it was in the early 1990's. For two years in a row, abortion in Arkansas has remained at its lowest levels since 1977, and Arkansas is now the second most pro-life state in the U.S., according to Americans United for Life. Arkansans are winning the fight to protect unborn children."

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Cox credited a series of pro-life laws passed in recent years with much of the decline in abortion. "In 2015 Arkansas passed one of the best informed-consent laws in the nation. It ensures women are given all the facts about abortion up front, including information about abortion's risks, consequences, and alternatives. According to state reports, over the past two years more than seven hundred women have chosen not to have abortions after being given that information. Last year the legislature improved this pro-life law and passed more than half a dozen others."

Cox said abortion in Arkansas could decline even more in the future thanks to last week's U.S. Supreme Court decision. "In 2017 921 drug-induced abortions were performed in Arkansas. Three years ago

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Arkansas passed a law requiring abortion facilities that do drug-induced abortions to contract with a physician who has admitting privileges at a hospital. Federal courts have upheld that law, and last week the U.S. Supreme Court chose not to hear a legal challenge against it. As a result, Planned Parenthood has chosen to stop doing drug-induced abortions in Arkansas for the time being. The Arkansas Legislature has passed good, pro-life laws. Attorney General Leslie Rutledge is defending those laws successfully in court, and the lives of unborn children are being saved as a result.”

Cox also praised the work of Arkansas’ pregnancy resource centers. “Pregnancy resource centers help women with unplanned pregnancies. They provide everything from ultrasounds and adoption information to maternity clothes, diapers, and baby formula free of charge. Pregnancy resource centers give women real options besides abortion. That’s why Family Council is working on a program to help provide funding for these centers. We hope to have that program in place within the next year.”

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Cox said Family Council will continue working to end abortion in Arkansas. “While we are glad the number of abortions is near historic lows, it’s important to remember that the vast majority of the abortions performed last year were on healthy women carrying healthy babies. Abortion is a tragedy. We intend to continue working to end abortion in Arkansas.”

*Family Council is a conservative education and research organization based in Little Rock, Arkansas.*



## UPDATE FROM THE WIEBES

(MHC Supported Missionaries in Mexico)



As with every change in ministry leadership, there are quite a few personal and collateral adjustments to be made by all parties involved. None-the-less, by adhering to the Holy Spirit’s guidance, the Wiebe team has managed to outlast the storm and safely reach the other side. Praise the Lord for calm waters again, and for fairly smooth sailing over the past two months.

One surprising development within the Monte Calvario congregation is a growing number of young adults (verses the traditional large presence of children and young teens.) Another shocking statistic revolves around the abundance of musically inclined individuals. (Over half of the regular attendees are proficient in at least one instrument.) Needless-to-say, this is an anomaly in most churches; yet here in small-town Mexico, our budding little group has been afforded the grand pleasure of trying to organize a feasible rotation in which all participants may glorify God and edify the Body with their various talents and abilities, in spite of—or rather because of—our presently reduced seating space. In a first-time endeavor, this newly formed young adults group applied their multiple skill-sets to great advantage in a Special Music & Drama presentation to honor their mothers on May 10th. [A month later and the excitement is still unabated.] A strenuous mountain hiking trip and a river excursion have further helped to slowly cement relationships within this diverse and complex group. With Father’s Day activities right on our heels, we expect to see greater strides in that direction.

### Communique Articles

I, along with others, would love to hear what is going on in your life! Do you have a funny story that you would like to share? Has God shown you something? Has He put something on your heart that you would like to share? E-mail or talk to me, Natalie, about what He is doing in your life so we can share in the Communique.