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## THE FREEDOM OF FORGIVENESS

What is the greatest gift you have ever received? I could make a list longer than my arm of incredible blessings that the Lord has brought my way. My list of blessings would include my wife, my children, my supportive family, my loving church family, and all the basic necessities of life. But if we really boiled everything down, one inescapable fact remains: we are nothing without a relationship with Jesus. All of our efforts in this life have no eternal value outside of our relationship with Him. It is entirely wrapped up in the greatest gift we have been given – forgiveness through the shed blood of Jesus Christ.

The reality of the priceless gift of forgiveness escapes us most of the time. We are so often like the unmerciful servant found in the parable of Matthew 18:21-35. The wonderful gift of forgiveness has been lavished upon us. Our Heavenly Father has wiped the slate

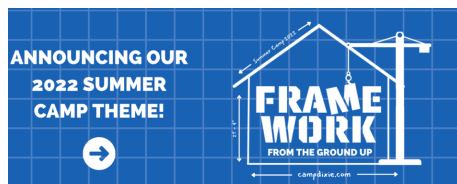
## Ministry Happenings ...

**Hickory Grove AC Church, Four Oaks, NC is :** Calling all kids grades preK-5! Join us



for a Food Truck Party this summer July 24-28, 6:00pm-8:30pm, free dinners at 5:30pm. Click the link or message us for more info <https://hickorygrove.mycokesburyvbs.com/register-child>

## 2022 Summer Camps



**Super Kids Retreat | Ages 4-7 | June 17-18**

**Kids Camp #1 | Grades 2-4 | June 19-24**

**Kids Camp #2 Early Session | Grades 5-6 | June 19-24**

**Kids Camp #2 | Grades 4-6 | June 26-July 1**

**Teen Camp #1 | Grades 7-9 | July 3-8**

**Teen Camp #2 | Grades 9-12 | July 10-15**

**To register click here: [Camp Dixie](#)**

Serving youth ages 7-18 at our annual summer camp. Studying scripture, making new friends, exploring new skills and interests to glorify God.



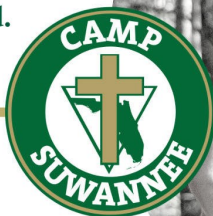
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**Sr. Camp: July 10-16 – Directors: Liz Vann & Shane Mumford**  
**Jr. Camp: July 17-23 – Directors Jeannie Thomas & Jeff Pannone**  
**Click here for more information: [Camp Suwannee](#)**

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clean and paid for all our sin, just as the wicked servant of this parable received forgiveness of his debt from his master. Once this servant was cleared of his massive debt, he immediately found a man indebted to him for a trivial amount. But the wicked and unmerciful servant had no compassion or forgiveness for the one who owed him a minor debt.

What is a minor debt? Well, to understand minor we must recognize that God has forgiven us of far more than we could ever realize. Our debt was beyond impossible, yet Christ, through his sacrifice, took our debt upon Himself and set us free. You see, any offense we may face in this life is truly minor compared to what we have been forgiven.

The incredible shame is that so many of us harbor these hidden hurts, allowing them to build walls of division in our lives. Look around you. You will see families divided, Christian brothers and sisters divided, churches divided, husbands and wives divided, largely because we are so unwilling to forgive. When it comes to forgiveness, we are much more interested in receiving it than offering it to others.

The unmerciful servant faced the wrath of the master for his lack of forgiveness. It says, *"this is how your heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother from your heart."* (Matthew 18:35)

Rev. Joe Pritchett

## Ministry Happenings ...



**Blakes Chapel AC Church**, Hampstead, NC, is holding VBS- *"Knights of North Castle: Quest for the King's Armor"*, invites participants to be strong in the Lord and in the strength of God's power by exploring how we put on the armor of God. Join us for Vacation Bible School July 31st-August 5th. We will have adult and children's classes!



**Northside Community Church**, Knightdale, NC, will hold "Make Waves" VBS on June 12–15. Save the date for VBS! All preschool and elementary children are invited to participate as we "Make Waves"! It'll be a great week together as we see how God can use each of us to change the world around us.

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## Coming Events...

June 17-18	Super Kids Retreat-Camp Dixie, Fayetteville, NC
June 19-24	Kids Camp #1-Camp Dixie, Fayetteville, NC
June 19-24	Kids Camp #2 Early Session-Camp Dixie, Fayetteville, NC
June 26-July 1	Kids Camp #2-Camp Dixie, Fayetteville, NC
June 26	Adventual Heritage Sunday
July 10-16	Sr. Camp—Camp Suwannee

### **Philippians 1:4-6**

<sup>4</sup> In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy <sup>5</sup> because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, <sup>6</sup> being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.