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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday 9am: Adult, Youth & Children Sunday School 10am: Adult Worship Children's Church	Sunday 6pm: Worship Service Tuesday 1pm: Ladies Prayer @ Bea Cox's Home	1 Living Free 7pm: Rooms 101-102 6pm: Divorce Care & DC4K Cleansing Stream Seminar-6:30pm - YR	2 JBQ - 5:45	3 7pm: Praise Band	4	5
6 TBQ 9am & 6pm Caring-N-Sharing Begins AM: Teen Challenge Leading P & W GRAVITY Adult Leaders Meeting @ 4:30pm Room 102	7 7pm: Men's Ministry Meeting - YRoom	8 Cleansing Stream Seminar-6:30pm - YR Living Free 7pm: Rooms 101-102 6pm: Divorce Care & DC4K	9 JBQ - 5:45 Gravity Worship Practice 5pm	10 6:30pm: Jail Ministry @ Albemarle Jail	11	12 WM OF AFA Birthday Brunch 10am - 12pm In The Youth Room 7pm: Couples Group Going Out To Eat
13 TBQ 9am & 6pm Youth-"Ice-Cream Sundays" @ Sonic After PM Service	14 7pm: Stephen Ministry CE Youth-"Espresso Monday" @ Sundries 2:30-4:30pm	15 Living Free 7pm: Rooms 101-102 6pm: Divorce Care & DC4K Cleansing Stream Seminar-6:30pm - YR	16 JBQ - 5:45 Gravity - "Pig-Out Wednesday" @ Waffle House After Service	17 Youth Swimming & Tubing @ Lake Tillery. \$12 Includes Gas & Food. Leaving AFA @ 10am. Returning @ 5pm Senior Saints Potluck Lunch @ Noon In The Youth Room 7pm: Praise Band	18 Gravity STL Yard Sale Drop-Off 5-6:30pm	19 Gravity STL Yard Sale 8am-Noon
20 WM of AFA Bake Sale & Deadline For Conf. FPU Preview Class @ 3:30-Youth Room Student Leaders Mtng @ 4:30pm Room 102 "Ice-Cream Sundays" @ Sonic After Service	21 Youth-"Espresso Monday" @ Sundries 2:30-4:30pm 7pm: Men's Ministry Meeting - YRoom	22 Youth Swimming & Tubing @ Lake Tillery. \$12 Includes Gas & Food. Leaving AFA @ 10am. Returning @ 5pm Cleansing Stream Seminar-6:30pm - YR	23 JBQ - 5:45 Gravity Worship Practice 5pm Gravity - "Pig-Out Wednesday" @ Taco Bell After Service	24 6:30pm: Jail Ministry @ Alb. Jail 7pm: Praise Band	25 Gravity Back2School Bash	26 7PM: Larry Orrell Ministry
27 AM & PM: Larry Orrell Ministry AM: Children's Christmas Choir Kick-Off Children's Church Slide Back2School Bash - 4pm Until Church Service Is Over	28 1st Day Of School 7pm: Stephen Ministry CE	29 Cleansing Stream Seminar-6:30pm - YR Living Free 7pm: Rooms 101-102 6pm: Divorce Care & DC4K	30 JBQ - 5:45 6pm: Praise Team/Choir 7pm: Small Groups 5th Wed. Fellowship	31 AFA Preschool Open House - 9am - Noon 7pm: Praise Band	1st Sunday Nursing Home Ministry @ Woodhaven 3rd Sunday Nursing Home Ministry @ Forrest Oakes	4th Sunday Nursing Home Ministry @ Bethany Woods 1st, 3rd & 5th Wed 7pm: Small Groups 2nd & 4th Wed 7pm: Bible Study

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“Keep ’em Learning...”

This year, we want to help our youngsters kick off school with supplies and materials. This month we will be collecting school supplies for our students (Below is a list of general supplies). If you can help, bring the supplies to the church and we will prepare them for disbursement. If you prefer to support this effort financially, just mark it "back to school," so that we will get it to those who will be blessed by your generosity.

Pastors Josh and Lilly will handle the distribution to our youngsters. Beloved, this is a real need!!! We have at least 25 elementary school children and about the same for our youth in middle and high school. Let's bless our youngsters.

General school supplies needed for Elementary through High School are:

Book bags (without wheels); #2 pencils & pencil sharpeners; lead pencils & lead; pencil cases; scissors (regular & rounded tips); rulers; colored pencils & pencil crayons; boxes of 24 crayons; highlighters; washable felt markers (regular packs & 8 to a pack); broad tip markers; ink pens (blue, black & red); erasers (pink & white); whiteout; glue & glue sticks; spiral notebooks (wide ruled & college ruled); 5 subject notebooks; 3 ring binders 1 & 1 1/2 in.; 2 pocket folders; plastic folders with brads; index cards; composition books (regular & marble cover); loose leaf paper (wide ruled & college ruled; plain paper; subject dividers; staplers & staple removers; geometry sets; scientific calculators; pocket dictionaries; thesaurus; agenda books/student planners; tissues; hand sanitizer; and, combination locks...

Thank you in advance....and blessings on all of you.

**We are family,
Pastor Bob**

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a place to belong
a place to become

Music Notes

This year is flying by so fast! It has been a hot summer and many folks have been away on vacation and some are planning getaways before school starts! We are looking ahead to a busy second half of this year. September is our Missions emphasis month. It's always a joy to hear about how God uses our AFA family to impact the world!

October will be a special time this year as we commemorate Pastor Bob's 20th year of ministry at AFA! Make plans to be here for a special service on Sunday, October 8th. There will be a special reception the evening before. More details to follow. Then, in November we will begin rehearsals and casting for next year's production of "Give Us Barabbas". That will lead us into a wide open Christmas season...some big surprises to come that month!!

Enjoy the rest of your summer!

**See Ya Sunday,
Pastor Stacy**

**Women Of AFA
Saturday, August 12th
Birthday Brunch - 10am - 12pm
In The Youth Room**

**Sunday, August 20th
Bake Sale After AM Service**

For More Info See Amy Mott

**Senior Saints
Thursday, August 17th
Potluck Lunch @ Noon
In The Youth Room**

**For More Info See Pastor George
& Janice Mullen**

GRAVITY YOUTH JAM Ministries

I cant believe summer is almost over...it has flown by! The students are gearing up for school to start.

We still have a few more summer events coming up.

August 14th and 21st we have our "Espresso Mondays", from 2:30 - 4:30 at Sundries.

August 17th and 22nd we have two more swimming days on lake Tillery. The cost is \$12 per person and that's from 10am - 5pm.

On Saturday, August 19th we will have a STL yard sale from 8am-noon. We will be collecting items on Thursday, August 17th, from 9am-5pm and Friday, August 18th, from 5-6:30pm. If you have anything you would like to donate please bring it by!

Our last Ice "Cream Sundays" will be the 13th & 20th, at Sonic after our pm service, and the last "Pig-Out Wednesdays" will be the 16th & 23rd at Taco Bell.

I am so excited about what God has been doing in our students this summer and what he is going to do this coming school year. Please be in prayer that our students will shine the light brighter than they ever have!!

Pastor Josh

**Men's Ministry
Monday, August 7th & 21st
Monthly Meeting @ 7pm
In Youth Room
Supper Provided**

**For More Information See
Keith Reeder**

Praise God! What an awesome summer we have had!

Camp, praise you Jesus, was wonderful. We all wore ourselves out but what a time we had! The Albemarle kids were great! A big thank you to the counselors and to the church for all the camp scholarships. God bless you! You made a difference for Jesus. We were able to grow closer together and closer to God. We were encouraged and refreshed.

School will be fast upon us. Please give to our school supply drive.

August 27th we are planning our Sunday school promotion party. The kids are growing so fast and it is time for some to advance to our Youth ministry. At 10am we will have our Christmas Choir kick-off in the Children's Church. We will introduce this year's Christmas program. That evening at 4pm until the end of the evening church service we will have our **Slide Back2School** party. We plan another super huge water slide on our back hill. Come join the fun! Children you are welcome to bring a friend. :) Don't miss it!!

Many, many thanks to all of you who work faithfully in our children's department. The kids love you, and so do I! It's the daily walking like Jesus that brings the truth of the life of Christ into the hearts of our kids. They need a model, someone to admire, and an example to follow. Thank you for living as Christ like as possible. We are teaching and training the church of Jesus for these last days of battle. God bless you! Thank you church. We can't do it without you!!

**Because He Lives,
Pastor Lilly**