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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday 9am: Adult, Youth & Children Sunday School 10am: Adult Worship Children's Church	1 7pm: Men's Ministry Meeting - YRoom	2 7pm: Rooms 101-102 Victorious Overcomers 6pm: Divorce Care & DC4K Cleansing Stream 6:30pm - YR	3 JBQ - 5:45 GRAVITY Worship Practice 5pm 6pm: Choir 7pm: Sm Groups	4 VBS Planning Team @ 6pm In Jr Children's Ch. 6:30pm: Jail Ministry @ Albemarle Jail 7pm: Praise Band	5	6 Stephen Ministry Workshop Registration: 8am Presentation: 9am-1pm In Youth Room
7 AM: Communion AM: Bake Sale GRAVITY Beach Trip \$75 Balance Due GRAVITY Adult Leaders Meeting @ 4:30pm Room 102	8 7pm: Stephen Ministry CE	9 7pm: Rooms 101-102 Victorious Overcomers 6pm: Divorce Care & DC4K Cleansing Stream 6:30pm - YR	10 JBQ - 5:45 GRAVITY Worship Practice 5pm 6pm: Choir 7pm: Bible Study	11 VBS Planning Team @ 6pm In Jr Children's Ch. 7pm: Praise Band	12	13 Women of AFA Spring Brunch 10am-Noon In The Youth Room
14 AM: Family Service Mother's Day No PM Service	15 7pm: Men's Ministry Meeting - YRoom	16 7pm: Rooms 101-102 Victorious Overcomers 6pm: Divorce Care & DC4K Cleansing Stream 6:30pm - YR	17 JBQ - 5:45 GRAVITY Worship Practice 5pm 6pm: Choir 7pm: Sm Groups	18 VBS Planning Team @ 6pm In Jr Children's Ch. Senior Saints Lunch At Poncho Villas @ Noon 6:30pm: Jail Ministry @ Albemarle Jail 7pm: Praise Band	19	20
21 GRAVITY Parents' Meeting After AM Service In Youth Room; Mission Trip \$169 Balance Due GRAVITY Student Leaders Meeting @ 4:30pm Room 102	22 7pm: Stephen Ministry CE	23 Cleansing Stream 6:30pm - YR 7pm: Rooms 101-102 Victorious Overcomers 6pm: Divorce Care & DC4K	24 JBQ - 5:45 GRAVITY Worship Practice 5pm 6pm: Choir 7pm: Bible Study	25 VBS Planning Team @ 6pm In Jr Children's Ch. 7pm: Praise Band	26 Gravity Beach Trip - 5/26thru 5/29	27 BGMC Color Run
28 No PM Service Gravity Beach Trip - 5/26thru 5/29	29 Memorial Day Office Closed	30 7pm: Rooms 101-102 Victorious Overcomers 6pm: Divorce Care & DC4K Cleansing Stream 6:30pm - YR	31 JBQ - 5:45 AFA Preschool Graduation @ 9:30am GRAVITY Worship Practice 5pm 6pm: Choir 7pm: Sm Group Fellowship, Yth, Kids	Sunday 6pm: Worship Service Tuesday 12pm: Ladies Prayer @ Bea Cox's Home	1st Sunday Nursing Home Ministry @ Woodhaven 3rd Sunday Nursing Home Ministry @ Forrest Oakes	4th Sunday Nursing Home Ministry @ Bethany Woods

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“THANK YOU!!!!!!”

April was a packed month!!! And, without question, lives were transformed by the power of God and God’s people united to spread the Gospel message to our community and around the world!!! The entire Passion week brought the mighty message of salvation to our community and beyond. “Give Us Barabbas,” was powerful. Not only have I received dozens of comments from our community on the production, but over 2,000 folks have viewed the production on Facebook! Combine that audience with those in attendance at First Assembly... over 2,500 people were presented the Gospel! That’s ministry, not a show! Thank you to everyone who created the production, developed all of the details, built the scenes, and worked tirelessly to make “Give Us Barabbas,” an impact message!

April 23rd was Youth Ministry Day for the Assemblies of God nationwide. Our youth led and ministered to our AFA family all day. The praise and worship was wonderful; the Fine Arts message was excellent; and, Pastor Josh’s message was strong and powerful!! And, if you missed Uncle Harvey Tater Sunday night, you missed laughter with a mighty message on serving our Lord “...everywhere, anytime and in every way.”

And who will ever forget the incredible night of worship and praise with Jason Crabb and our own community choir, composed of choir members of more than six churches ...Thanks to everyone (Meals ministers, parking ministers, greeters, audio-visual teams, merchandise clerks, and music/arts ministry)!!! Your labor was as unto the Lord and will be rewarded by our Lord one day.

I heard this a number of times from various people: “How wonderful to meet new folks in our church and work along side of them in ministry. What a great way to get to know other people in our fellowship... serving our Lord.” Next time, you might want to find your place to serve.

**Expect great things in May too,
Pastor Bob**

**First Assembly...
a place to belong
a place to become**

Music Notes

WOW! That was incredible! We are praising God for the amazing things that happened over the last few weeks! *Give Us Barabbas* was amazing and it was all because of so many who sacrificed so much to put on such an incredible production!

The concert with Jason Crabb was great as well. What a fun time with other area singers and Jason....and his uber-talented band! Opportunities don’t come by like that very often and I’m glad we could host such an event!

Thank you...thank you...thank you...to all the volunteers that made both of these events so special for our AFA family and our community. I’m blessed to serve along side some wonderful people!

What’s next?!

**See Ya Sunday,
Stacy**



**Senior Saints
Thursday, May 18th
Lunch At Pancho Villas
@ Noon**

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

GRAVITY YOUTH JAM Ministries

School is almost out! Students are already starting to get into that summer mode and so am I!

There will be a short parents meeting on Sunday, May 21st following our morning service in the Youth Room to go over our summer calendar! The mission trip of \$169 is also due that day.

We will be having our Gravity Beach trip, Friday thru Monday, May 26th-29th. Please be in prayer for a mighty move of God, during this trip!! If you would like to sponsor a student we still have scholarships available.

I hope that you have a great Mother’s Day and a wonderful Memorial weekend!

Pastor Josh

**Women Of AFA
Sunday, May 7th - Bake Sale
After AM Service
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Saturday, May 13th  
Spring Brunch - 10am - Noon  
In The Youth Room  
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For More Info See Amy Mott

**Men’s Ministry
Monthly Meeting
Monday, May 1st & 15th
@ 7pm In Youth Room
Supper Provided
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**For More Information See  
Keith Reeder**

We in Kids ministry are entering into our busy time of the year and we are excited. God's blessing rests on our children!

The VBS creative committee is meeting Thursday evenings from 6-8pm. If you have input into the design and inner workings of VBS, please call me for an update of our progress and join us. I also would love to have some assistance in contacting the families of children who attended our October 31st Praise party and invite them to VBS. If God lays this on your heart, please give me a call.

On Saturday, May 27th, we are hosting our very first Color Run at Southside Fire Department. We will run or walk one mile raising money for BGMC. Our goal is \$1,000. Please join us or sponsor a runner.

We are planning to attend Kids Camp Monday-Friday, July 10th-14th. The cost for camp will be \$250 for camp and transportation. This will be a week of fun, fellowship and focus on God. Start praying and consider helping provide a camp scholarship this year. It is a wise investment.

There are other areas of Kid's ministry that would be delighted to include you. Please, if kid's ministry is your passion, give me a call.

We are so excited about Jesus! Let's work until He comes!

**Because He Lives,  
Pastor Lilly - 704.438.1395**