

O C T O B E R 2 0 1 8

# The Suburban Connection

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## Fall Family Festival 2018

Wednesday, October 31 5:30 – 7:30 PM

It's that time of year again, where we come together as a church family to bless our community by providing a safe, friendly alternative to traditional Halloween activities.

This year we will have Trunk or Treating, inflatable games and bounce houses, candy, food and drinks, costumes, more candy, and most importantly a chance to share fellowship with each other and the people from the area who join us for the evening. Our prayer is that we will be successful at sharing the love of Jesus with everyone who enters our parking lot, and that they will see that love shining brightly in each and every one of us.

To make that happen, we need help from all of the congregation. People to decorate their vehicles and hand out candy to the children, maybe even setting up a little game or dressing up! People to cook and serve food. People to greet families as they arrive. People to mingle, being friendly and available to answer questions. People to help set up tables and chairs. People to put it all away at the end of the festivities. And people to bring candy...LOTS and LOTS of candy!!!

And we need the whole congregation to pray that every family who visits us will be touched in a wonderful way by the love that we freely share with them.

Karen Nicolas

### Save the Date!

#### AYM

**October 7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>**

Weekend Camping trip

**October 16<sup>th</sup>**

Passion Worship@ The Wave Church

**October 19<sup>th</sup>**

Field House Lock-In

#### OCC

**October 12<sup>th</sup>**

Preparation Day –  
wrapping shoe boxes  
& packing soap and  
wash cloths

#### Fall Festival

**October 31<sup>th</sup>**

Festivities begin @  
5:30 pm



## From The Pastor's Desk:

# THANK YOU SUBURBAN FAMILY!

First of all, **I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR PRAYING**. Prayer must always come before action. You see this happening all through the Bible. In Luke 6: 12-15, Jesus goes to a mountain and prays all night before choosing His disciples the next day. Before any decision was made about one service, we asked you to join us in prayer... and you did! Thank you! We believe that God moves, God guides, and God revives when His people pray. That is why we are committed to making prayer a top priority at Suburban. I can't tell you how precious our Saturday evening prayer time has become. Every Saturday night we experience the sweetness of His presence. How awesome would it be to fill our sanctuary every Saturday evening... we can do it! It would bring our Heavenly Father great joy to see that His children want to come just to spend time with Him.

**I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE**. Patience is not easy for us. Most of us don't like to wait. Galatians 5: 22 tells us that patience is the Fruit of the Spirit. Patience is something that God himself produces in us. God has been so patient with each and every one of us. Just think of how many times we have disobeyed Him, not trusted in Him, and even rebelled against Him. Yet, all the while our loving Father has been so patient with us - patiently calling us, convicting us and drawing us to Himself. When we are patient with one another, we display the character of our God. Throughout these past few months, you have been so patient as we sought the Lord. Thank you!

**I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR INPUT**. We have heard back from many of you through conversations, phone calls and letters that you have written. Thank you! This past Wednesday night we gathered to give everyone an opportunity to share. The overwhelming majority of you would like to stay with one worship service. Therefore, we will continue to worship together at one service. The overwhelming majority also wanted to continue with the current schedule of 9: 00 Sunday School and 10:15 worship. Please pray for Karen, the musicians and the choir as they work on a blended worship service. We asked for continued prayer and patience.

I'd like to close by reminding us of Philippians 1:6, "And I am sure of this that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ." I am sure God is continuing His good work and us and that one day He will bring it to completion.

For His Glory,  
Pastor Todd



## What's Happening In .....

### Sunday School

God promises that **“My Word will not return to Me empty but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.”** (Isaiah 55:11) Whether we have two students, or sixteen, we trust God that each of them is precious to Him and that He has something eternal He wants to accomplish in them through the teaching of His Word. This quarter the children are learning to know our Creator God who rescues those who seek Him and makes and keeps all His promises. We so appreciate all our parents who commit to bringing the children (and teens!) each week so they can grow in knowledge and relationship with their loving Father God.

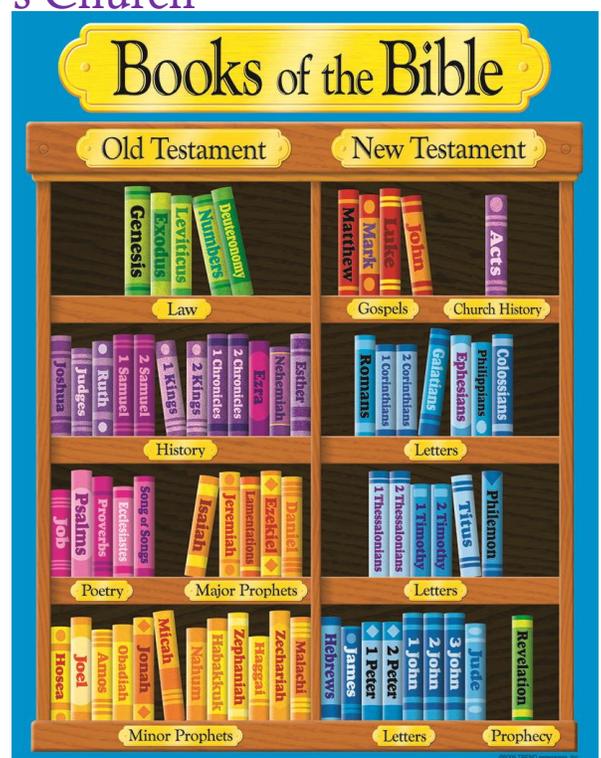
Jan Grills



# Suburban Kids Children's Church

We are more than halfway through memorizing the books of the Old Testament in Children's Church! Along the way the kids have heard an overview of Creation, God's care of the Israelites as He led them out of Egypt to the Promised Land, and the history of Israel up through King Solomon. If you've ever struggled to find 2 Chronicles, just ask one of our Suburban Kids to show you the hand motions they're learning that help them remember the order of the books as well as remind them of what each book is about. We're looking forward to learning the rest of the Old Testament and heading into the New Testament over the next few weeks!

Sarah Nelapaty





**SET UP A GAME! THE KIDS WILL LOVE THAT!**

**DECORATE YOUR CAR, TRUNK, HATCH, MOTORCYCLE, BICYCLE, WHATEVER YOU HAVE.**

**WEAR A COSTUME IF IT SUITS YOUR FANCY!**

**YOU WILL HAVE FUN. THAT'S A PROMISE! AND YOU WILL BE A BLESSING TO OUR COMMUNITY!**

**RESERVE YOUR SPOT NOW!  
SIGN-UP SHEET IS LOCATED IN THE FOYER.**

## SCC Church Staff



Rev. C. Todd Haynes  
Senior Pastor



Sally Harden  
Director of Youth Ministry



Sarah Nelapaty  
Director of Children's Ministries



**MISSION: WHY DO WE EXIST?**  
To glorify God, by making disciples of Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**VISION: WHAT WILL THAT LOOK LIKE?**  
A growing faith in God  
A growing love for God  
A growing love for others

**ACTION: HOW WILL THIS HAPPEN?**  
Drawing near to God  
Pursuing community  
Reaching our world

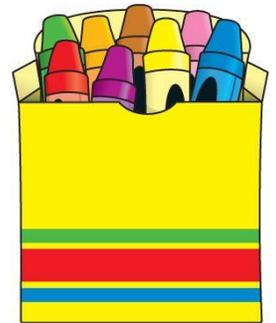
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# Suburban Mothers' Day Out Kids

We have had a wonderful start to our school year! The children really enjoy their teachers and new friends. Music class is a huge hit. It's been exciting to hear them singing their new songs. Music ignites all areas of child development and skills for school readiness: intellectual, social and emotional, motor, language, and overall literacy. It helps the body and the mind work together. Exposing children to music during early development helps them learn the sounds and meanings of words. Dancing to music helps children build motor skills while allowing them to practice self-expression. For children and adults, music helps strengthen memory skills. Enjoy singing and dancing with your little ones. It's a great way to burn energy, bond with your child and bring more joy to your house.

Andrea Hoover



Using Magnetic Trays for Letter Recognition



## Men's Ministry

Due to the uncertainty of the weather associated with Hurricane Florence, the September 15th meeting of the Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study was cancelled. Therefore, the study of the Book of the Acts will now begin on October 6th. The Book of Acts is Luke's account of the Apostles' obedience to Jesus' commission to spread the Gospel and make disciples of all nations. The book Documents the actions of key apostles, especially Peter and Paul, in the establishment and early expansion of the Christian church. It centers on the influence of the Holy Spirit. The Book can be divided into two sections: the ministry of Peter in Jerusalem and Samaria (Acts 1-12) and the ministry of Paul and his missionary journeys throughout the Roman Empire (Acts 13-28). It chronicles the transition of the preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to an exclusively Jewish audience to taking it to a wider Gentile population. It begins with Jesus' ascension into heaven and concludes with Paul's imprisonment in Rome. As always, the in-depth, word-by-word, verse-by-verse, chapter-by-chapter Bible Study will be conducted at 8:00 AM on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of each month in the Church's Fellowship Hall. It follows a home-made breakfast of scrambled eggs, sausage, grits, biscuits, sausage gravy, fruit, and coffee prepared by ministry members. It is an outstanding opportunity for Bible study, prayer, and fellowship. It is open to all men, church members and non-members. All are invited to enjoy a good breakfast, good fellowship, and the Good News found in God's Word. Plan to attend and bring a friend.

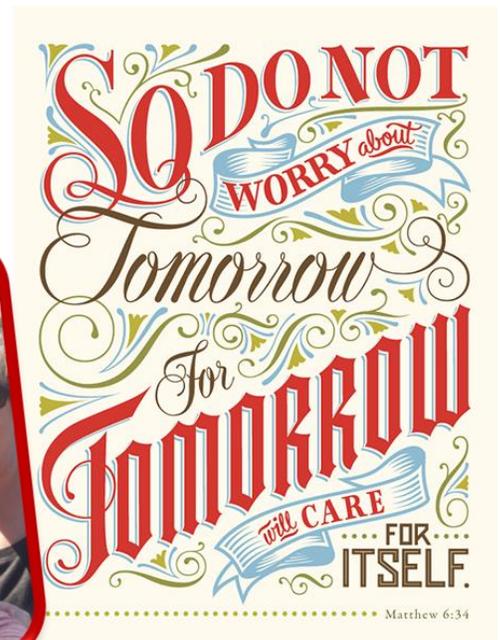


Bob Grymes



## Life Group Ministry

Thursday nights are a joy for the Haynes family because it's Life Group night. The evening is filled with laughter, refreshments, prayer, and Bible study. This fall Pastor Todd decided to pick different passages to study every week. This past week we looked at Matthew 6: 25-34 when Jesus encourages us to live by faith and not to worry.



## Operation Christmas Child

Thank you to everyone who made snacks for our Kick-Off at Green Run Baptist and for those who attended and manned some of the display tables. Our next event is a Preparation Day on Friday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. **One immediate need is snack and sandwich size baggies that zip closed.** We'll be wrapping shoeboxes, packaging soap and washcloths and anything else to get ready for the Packing Event on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

Our collection for **October** is **DOLLS, CARS, AND GAMES.** Yo-yos, Slinkys, matchbox cars and trucks, baby dolls, dominoes, marbles, pick-up sticks, etc. are all great for the gifts. We only have about 6 weeks left before the drop-off time so be working on filling your box. Our church goal is **MORE** than we packed last year. Last year we stuffed 537 shoebox gifts, so we have a great job before us.

We are going to the Charlotte Processing Center for Operation Christmas Child during the first week of December. If you are interested in going, please let me know as soon as possible. We will have a planning meeting after worship on October 7<sup>th</sup>. Your only cost will be food, hotel room and transportation. I will be happy to answer any questions you may have (424-9869).

Lynn Cooke

### AN OCC STORY TO PONDER

"One thing in the box I won't forget was a picture of a girl and her letter: Heather Roberts from Enon, Ohio. We started writing letters and to this day, nearly 20 years later, we're friends." Nanor, Middle East



## Seniors Ministry

Our last meeting was held Thursday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. The guest speakers were David Williams and his associates, representing JenCare Senior Medical Center. They explained what JenCare has to offer for seniors. Afterwards everyone enjoyed a covered dish luncheon.

The next regular meeting will be held Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup>. Watch the Sunday Bulletin and the seniors bulletin board for more details.

These programs are sponsored by the Seniors Ministry, but they are always open to people of all ages. Please plan to attend, bring a dish to share and invite a friend or neighbor to come with you!

The Seniors Ministry needs you! We need new members, new energy and new ideas. We are seeking new members, including some who would be willing to contribute their time and talents to the steering committee.

Dana Mosteller



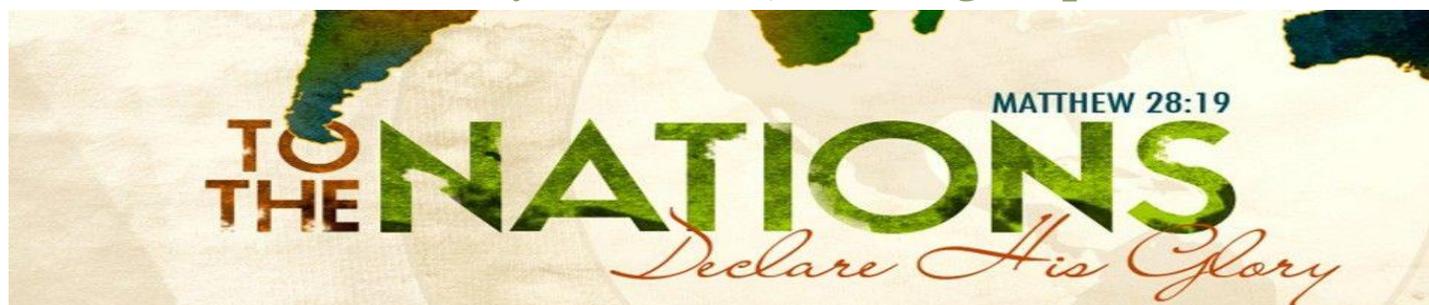
## Food Pantry Ministry

We will be having a **Packing Party** on **Wednesday October 3<sup>rd</sup>** at 7:00 p.m. in place of our normal Midweek Power, to assist in making bags for families in need on our community. We will place in each bag a "You're Invited" card and a personalized note letting each family know we are praying over them. In order to do this well, the Food Pantry needs continued **donations** of canned goods, soups, vegetables (something you would like to eat!). What an amazing opportunity to be the hands and feet of Jesus in our community!

Rebekah Pencook



## Outreach Ministry – St. Marc, Haiti Sign-Up Deadline



Remember that if you do not meet the October 7<sup>th</sup> deadline to sign up for the church-wide trip to Haiti July 1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019, you will not be able to join us next summer. Following the deadline, we will begin fundraising for the trip! Those that will be attending will be required to submit a **\$50** deposit by **October 31<sup>st</sup>**. All participants will receive an email with our projected event calendar until our leaving date and reminders immediately following the sign-up deadline. We are so excited for what the Lord is going to do through this trip!

## PRAYER PARTNERS REQUESTED



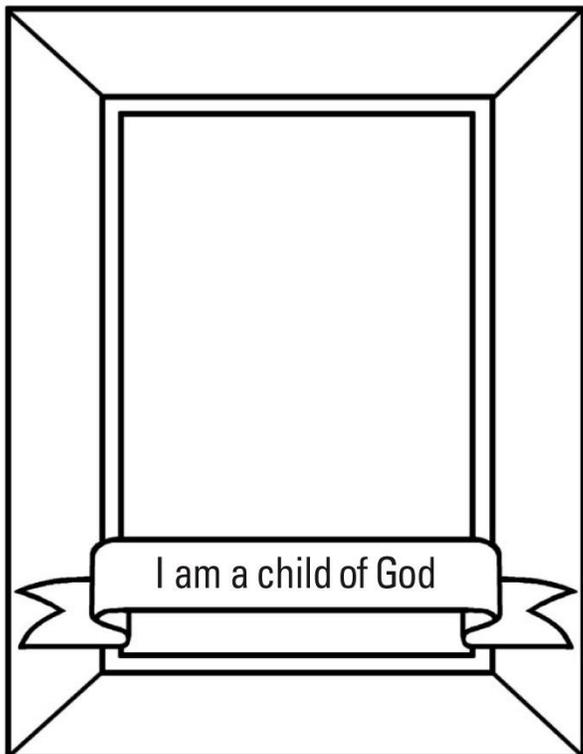
Help water the seeds being planted on our trip to Haiti by becoming a prayer partner for the trip! Rebekah will send out monthly emails informing you of prayer needs, and we would ask you to commit to covering all of those being impacted by the trip in prayer; both those attending the trip, and those in Haiti with whom the Lord has planned for us to share Christ's love. If you are interested in becoming a prayer partner, email Rebekah at [outreach@sccvb.org](mailto:outreach@sccvb.org) or if email is not the best way to contact you, call her at (757) 404-8105.

*Praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints. Ephesians 6:18*

JUST FOR...

# Suburban Kids

Directions: Draw your picture in the center of the frame and color the frame.



Directions: Answer the questions below.

Why do we go to church?

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What do you like about Sunday School?

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How can you serve others at home or at school?

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What is your favorite praise song?

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Scrambled Bible Verses  
Directions: Look up the Bible verse and put them in order. Sometimes only a portion of the verse is used.



1. Psalm 145:9 all good The is Lord to

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2. Proverbs 2:6 gives For wisdom the Lord

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3. Isaiah 26:4 the forever Trust Lord in

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4. Proverbs 30:5 God word of proves Every true

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5. Numbers 6:24 bless and the Lord you you keep

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6. Proverbs 3:5 heart in all your Trust the Lord with

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7. Psalm 119:105 lamp is for Your a feet word my

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## Fall Harvest

K X H B T C R C G L R T F J S  
 U O C G S E V A E L U P T N Y  
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 O R T M B J L B P R K K W S S  
 Q C R V U V P C Y P P D M F D  
 I I O M C A W S F M L A V A Q  
 Z I I R C L E H U M F E C L L  
 N X E O N L X P U Y D D S L S  
 H V R T P R E C W Q I N D Q J  
 D N X A T V K C U X C N U E T  
 S B M T N B A I J Q I I M T R  
 S C A R E C R O W W R C E X E  
 C Z F Z D D F M Z R K F W N E  
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LEAVES  
 FALL  
 ACORNS  
 WIND  
 TREES  
 APPLES  
 PUMPKINS  
 MAPLESYRUP  
 SCARECROW  
 CORN  
 RAKE  
 SQUIRREL  
 HAY  
 TURKEY

## AWANA Ministry

We have had a great start to our AWANA year. There are about 30 kids registered so far and lots of activities are planned and have already happened. Our main focus in October is having the AWANA kids help by stocking the Food Pantry with everything from Toilet Paper to various food items. This is always very exciting to them because they feel like they are contributing to those in need, and they also feel more a part of the Church family. In addition, some of our

leaders and kids will be participating in the 'Trunk-or-Treat.' Please continue to pray for our AWANA kids and volunteers. Pray that we all remain focused on helping the kids grow in the Grace and knowledge of our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ. Pray also that all that we do will be for God's Glory, and not our own. If there is anyone (young or not so young) who wants to be a part of this awesome program please contact myself, Kathy Jackson, or Carol Brooks.

Tim Jackson



## Ambassador Youth Ministry

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN: SEPTEMBER

This can't be possible? September is almost over? Feels like we just got started. Well, September is back to school season and the end of summer and the beginning of fall, even though the temperature doesn't feel like it. We started off the AYM year a little backward because of the nonexistent hurricane. So, our first night back we started our lesson plan of Romans 1. We looked at Romans 1:1, Paul was humbling himself, but also at the same time giving himself a level of authority. We all can claim this authority as heirs to the throne with Jesus. In the next couple of months, we will be going through Romans and listening to the Lord's teachings. We also had our AYM kickoff the next week. It was so cool to see all the families sitting down and eating together. I am so excited to see in the next year what the Lord has for our youth group.

Sally Harden

### WHERE WE'RE GOING: OCTOBER

- Oct. 7-8: Camping Trip
- Oct. 16: Passion Worship night @ the Wave Church
- Oct. 19: Field-house lock-in
- Oct. 20: Union Mission @ 9AM
- Oct. 31: Harvest Festival, No AYM.



**AYM Meeting every Wednesday night in the Upper Room @ 6:30 p.m.**