# Dadeville First Baptist

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#### Pastor's Column

I opened the door to truck this afternoon and realized that summertime is here. While the ther-

mometer said it was "only" 90 degrees, the cab must have been 190. To me, there is only one thing worse, and that is getting out of my air conditioned cab and trying to see through fogged-up glasses. But those two things always remind me that the most important week of the year is just around the corner: Vacation Bible School. You might define VBS like I do: five days of highoctane, sugar-fueled, controlled chaos during which time the love of Jesus is demonstrated and taught to boys and girls who may never have another opportunity to experience that. Statistics tell us that if we don't reach our children with the gospel, the opportunities to do so decrease every year. That's why I call this the most important week – it is literally a matter of life and death. That's why we spend thousands of man hours and dollars to put together what some might think is just "spiritual babysitting." I promise you that it is much more than that. If you don't believe me, sign up to help this year. If you believe me sign up too, because we need everyone's help. An added bonus: you get to see Bro. Forrest fighting a dragon - I think!

See you soon, Bro. Ben

**VBS** 



June 5-9

9:00-12:00 Register for VBS at ...

https://fbcdadeville.myanswers.com/vbs2023/



#### Minister of Children & Families

Psalm 34:18 tells us, "The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit." I began pondering this verse before Mother's

Day. Mother's Day is a day that many look forward to and enjoy, but it is also a day that many find themselves brokenhearted. Perhaps it is a day of sadness for you due to the loss of your mother, a child, your dream of motherhood, or the fractured relationship you have with your mother. No matter what the circumstances, there is hope. Don't let the events of this broken world cloud your vision of how much God loves you. He sees you in your sadness and brokenness, and He loves you. We all face times when we are "the brokenhearted" and there are challenges along the road of this life. We are not promised a life without pain or hardship, but through it all, know that God has not forgotten you and He is at work in it all! So when those times come, know that God is near to you, trust in Him, and know that he is working it all out for our good and His glory.

Blessings, Bro. Forrest



## Minister of Youth & Discipleship

I wanted to say a big thank you to all the young men and women who helped build a ramp for one of the shooting victims from Dadeville

High School. The family was very appreciative of the sacrifice you made, and I was especially proud to see you guys work. FBC Dadeville was a blessing.

I also wanted to say thank you to FBC as a whole. You have done a great job giving to our community. Your willingness to sacrifice your resources, time, and energy has been felt by your staff and this city. Thank you for volunteering when you are tired. It has meant a great deal to hurting families. Your hard work will give us greater opportunities to talk with people in the future that we would not have had if not for your sacrifice. Thank you.

Bro. Hunter



### Minister of Music & Senior Adults

DANGERS AND DISTRACTIONS OF SUMMER

We might as well face it...sometimes summertime hazards seem to be here to stay. It is dangerous to ignore them, hoping they'll go away. These are some of these ailments and liabilities that seem to be with us every summer.

- 1. LOW TEMPERATURE: June, July and August frequently bring an unexpected temperature inversion. As the physical thermometer goes up the spiritual thermometer goes down.

  2. OVERCROWDING: This problem occurs mainly on Sundays and weekends overcrowding on the golf courses, the lake and highways, overcrowding everywhere, except the church parking lots.
- 3. SLEEPING SICKNESS: the summer variety of this illness has nothing to do with a tropical disease or corona virus. The symptoms include drowsiness and laziness. The brain and backbone seem to be affected. This particular kind of sleeping sickness occurs mainly on Sunday mornings.
- 4. SUNDAY AFTERNOON COMA: The hot weather aggravates this condition. It keeps a person from attending Sunday evening activities.
- 5. MIDWEEK AMNESIA: Warm weather brings on a higher incident of Wednesday night forgetfulness. Church members can't remember the time and place of our midweek activities. Be on the alert for these perils in your home this summer. You alone can decide how you will use your summertime.

Blessings, Charlie



June Birthday List available in the office.