



July 12th, 2020

When Jesus rode into Jerusalem, the crowd cried out and shouted praises toward Him. When the religious elite heard the crowd's response to Jesus, they scolded Jesus for letting it happen. Jesus' response was, "If they do praise me, the rocks will cry out." One of the primary purposes of gathering as Christians is to worship our God and Savior. He deserves it! After all, He is the creator, our life-giver, and our only hope beyond the grave.

These days it seems to be a slippery slope of when to gather and how we should gather as a Church. In our lifetime, it's never been an issue. Now we must discern between being good citizens as Scripture mandates (Romans 13:1-7) and being good citizens of Christ's Kingdom, as Scripture also mandates (Philippians 3:20). When should we comply and when shouldn't we comply?

Mostly, I reckon, it's a matter of conscience and requires some prayer and discernment to keep in step with the Spirit. But,

ultimately I personally want to gather and worship - I don't want no rock to cry out in my place! We are compelled by Scripture to "consider others above ourselves". Okay, I will wear a mask, no matter what I believe about it all, just to honor others who feel I should. No big deal for me - a little inconvenient, but that's about it. But, I will sing - not because I like to and it's my preference. But, I'm gonna sing and praise Him because, "He is worthy to be praised"! We all have our limits and lines we will not cross and there is mine.

I challenge you to seek and find ways to worship our God. "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching." - Hebrews 10:24,25

Peace and Blessings, Pastor Wes Davis



**MISSION ACCOMPLISHED**

**Middle School July 26th - 31st**  
(completed 6th-8th grades)  
**\$100 Due by June 22**

**Elementary July 16th -18th**  
(completed 2nd-5th grade)  
**\$50 Due by June 22**

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### HOW TO REGISTER

It seems nothing is ever as easy as we want it to be. So, we have a few special instructions for registering this year:

**1.** No PAPER forms. Due to COVID concerns all registrations are digital this year.

As normal there are two registrations for camp; one for the camp and another for Grace.

- Register with Grace on the Church Center app (download instructions are below) In the events tab, choose the camp for your student. Tap “register” at the bottom and follow the prompts.
- To register with the Camp click the link below to be redirected to the registration page.

<http://maranathabiblecamp.org/summer-camp/summer-registration>

**2.** NOTICE!!!! HERE IS THE MESSY PART!!

**Parents of new freshman or incoming 5th/6th graders!** MBC asks what grade your student is entering. Please answer according to the camp they are attending, not their actual grade. For example: Incoming freshmen will register as “incoming 8th graders” on the MBC site If you select “9th grade” only the HS option will be available.

(thanks to the Feldkamps, for pointing this out!)

**3.** AT THE END OF REGISTERING (with MBC), THERE ARE TWO OPTIONS FOR PAYMENT. CHOOSE "pay by check" AND PAY THE CHURCH (WE WILL MAKE ONE PAYMENT TO THE CAMP. )

### HOW TO PAY

To pay the church for camp, you can either pay digitally via the church app, or by check. If paying by check please put it in an envelope clearly marked for CAMP REGISTRATION and mark "CAMP FEES". or "CAMP" on the memo.

**CLICK THE LINK BELOW TO REGISTER WITHOUT THE APP**

(This is our first time doing registration digitally. Please bear through the growing pains with us as we are all learning something new.)

MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMP <https://gracecommunityriverton.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/430076>

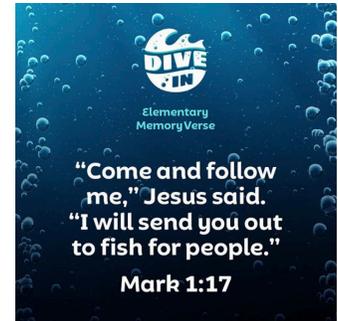
2nd -5th GRADE CAMP <https://gracecommunityriverton.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/429646>



# GRACE KIDS

## SUNDAY

“Dive In At Home” is an eight-week series created to do as a family at home. Each week includes a family lesson that parents can use with both preschool and elementary kids, as well as a preschool video and an elementary video that will help kids “Dive In” to the life of Peter and learn what it means to follow Jesus!



I am SO excited to finally share our VBS Alternative: The Summer Shindig happening July 28th-30th from 6:30-8pm.

I know this is different than what we had originally planned but I am confident your kids will have fun and be blessed throughout the 3 days.

Think of The Summer Shindig as progressive dinner of sorts (just without the dinner 😊). Each night our location will change but it will always include an activity, a snack, a guest speaker and a worship time. More details will be shared as the event gets closer but here is a sneak peak of the week:

Tuesday- Color Wars at the Church

All of the kids will be split into teams and compete in different games. We will follow it up with a powder explosion 🤪 I think this is going to be one heck of a way to kick start the event.

See an example here: [POWDER EXPLOSION VIDEO](#)

Wednesday- Pool Party at the Bingham's

Thursday- Party at the Park  
Schermerhorn Park  
3501 S Main Street  
Galena, KS

Registration is open NOW on the church app. Please register ASAP so that we can order everything needed to make this event happen for the kids.

### [SUMMER SHINDIG REGISTRATION](#)

Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend! Not a parent but would like to help- Contact me today 😊





# GRACE YOUTH

## KATALAMBANO

What is "CAT ON A BANJO?" It is actually called "KATALAMBANO" but we give it silly new names at the time.

The truth? It is a Greek word meaning: "to grasp", "to seize hold of", "to understand". It is the name for what was earlier called "MS church". Sunday mornings, all year long, we have a class for the MS students after the worship set. We head to the Youth Room where we study a Gospel Book, and teach tenets of the faith. Anything from apologetics (being able to defend why they believe in God) to "how to study the Bible". My desire is to both increase and decrease the mystery that is God's word—for student to both love and revere it. Katalambano meets every week **except** the last Sunday of each month which is Family Sunday.

CAT ON A BANJO SHIRTS! We are ordering cat on a banjo shirts! \$12 each need sizes from you ASAP Contact Aaron by text to get an order placed.

**BE SURE TO BE CONNECTED ON THE CHURCH APP TO KEEP UPDATED ON STUDENT EVENTS!**



**THIS WEEKS SWIM IS @ THE JOHNSON'S  
7222 SE 68th St. Riverton (behind Riverton FB  
scoreboard) 6:30-8:00**



## **MS CAMP IS NOT FAR AWAY!**

Click the link below for some great information on packing, COVID precautions, and the care the camp is taking to keep the kids safe and COVID free.

[BIBLE CAMP COVID PREPARATIONS](#)

We also have a new form we need filled out before camp. Click the link below to print one or grab one from the lobby

[COVID RELEASE FORM](#)



**When will we leave:** Camp is 1hr 20 Mins away so we plan to leave the church at 2:00

**When will we return:** We are scheduled to leave Friday at noon

**What to Pack:**

**Bible** & Pen or Mechanical Pencil(s)

Sleeping bag or twin bedding, pillow, & blanket. (Dorms are air-conditioned)

Toiletries, towels & washcloths for shower.

Modest swimwear (girls no bare midriffs), cover-up, sunscreen, & towel for swimming.

Clothing that can get dirty.

Plastic bag for dirty laundry.

Shoes other than flip flops for recreation. (Flip flops expose campers to avoidable injuries to feet and toes.)

Flashlight

HAND SANITIZER (3oz is large enough. They can refill it at camp if needed)

**Money** for Missions, canteen & T-shirt (shirts are not included in the cost of camp).

Prescription medications in original container, with readable current doctor's instructions.

Bug spray and sun block.

Back pack to keep items in while moving around the camp. (a cheap sack-pack will suffice)

**(Lots of kids bring a hammock to hang out ) More details on MS CAMP are coming**

**What not to Pack:**

Distractions such as video game systems ( Nintendo Switch), other electronics, etc.

Tobacco, drugs, alcohol, or other illegal sub-stances.

Immodest clothing

Guns (including airsoft/paintball) knives or fireworks

Silly string or other items for pranks.

Please Check out the Maranatha Frequently Asked Questions page (link below) for answers about sending mail, special dietary needs etc...

<http://maranathabiblecamp.org/summer-camp/faqs>

**We encourage parents to send mail to the students.** Especially if it has perfume or hearts written all over it. Boxes (care packages) are also allowed. We usually make them tell a joke or sing a song to get their mail. This will be a new fun experience fro them, just plan ahead and send it early so it gets there in time!!

Camper Name & Session  
c/o Maranatha Bible Camp  
18131 Highway WW  
Everton, MO 65646





# GRACEWOMEN

The women's group is doing a 6 week Bible study this summer on Wednesday nights.

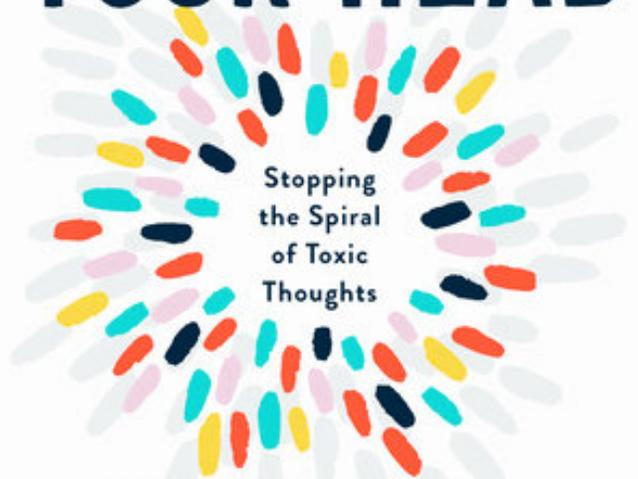
6:30pm at the church.

We are reading the book "Get Out of Your Head" by Jennie Allen, a study of Philippians. We watch a short video and discuss questions through small groups.

A study guide and book will need to be purchased and the cost is \$30 for both. Anyone concerned about the cost please speak with Holly Kufahl. There will be a sign-up sheet at the information booth after church and we can order these items for you.

Come enjoy fellowship and snacks with other women as we become more aware of our toxic thought patterns and ways to change them.

## GET OUT OF YOUR HEAD



Stopping  
the Spiral  
of Toxic  
Thoughts

**JENNIE ALLEN**

Best-Selling Author of *Nothing to Prove*

## SUMMER WEDNESDAY VIDEO SERIES

Clark Hall is leading a video series @ 7pm in the North KidMin classroom (room "D") All are welcome.



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