

# Children

The Psalmist said, "Behold, children are a gift of the LORD, the fruit of the womb is a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one's youth. How blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them; they will not be ashamed when they speak with their enemies in the gate" (Psalm 127:3-5).

I absolutely love the meaning of this passage. King Solomon, the author of Psalm 127 and the wisest man to have ever lived, speaks about the treasure known as children. [Yes, parents who are closing in on the end of summer and back to school, even though they sometimes drive you crazy, they are precious!]. My children are all grown and now have families of their own, but they are still precious to me. I will always have them in my heart as my "Babies" (They don't like me saying it that way though). God blessed me with three precious gifts and now those "Gifts" have blessed me with seven additional "Gifts" (Grandchildren). God is indeed very, very good!

There is something in Psalm 127 that grabs my attention as a parent beyond the reality of children being a blessing. He says, "Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one's youth." What does this mean?

Picture an ancient soldier prepared for battle. His arrows are many. They are straight and strong. The tips are sharp and ready to do the job. When aimed correctly they strike the target and accomplish what the warrior set out to do. As a result the battle is won!

Today we face an enemy who is out to destroy (See 1 Peter 5:8). He is ruthless in his schemes and manners (See Ephesians 6:10-12). Our children are vulnerable. The parent must prepare. This gift(s) must be nurtured and strengthened for the battle (See Ephesians 6:4). The tip must be sharpened (See Romans 10:17). And when the arrow, our children, is launched, he must be aimed correctly so that the target is struck and success is achieved (See Joshua 24:14-15). The battle is for the hearts and minds of our young ones. We must make them ready. And when this warrior becomes old and tired, those arrows (Children) will be a defense and a comfort to him his family and the nation.

This past week we were privileged to host many area children for our annual Vacation Bible School. It is our prayer that for a tiny moment we were able to help parents "Prepare" their "Arrows" and to "Aim" them toward the target. Take care!



Terry D. Casey  
Preaching Minister

## Attendance/Offering/Last Week

Bible Class: **153/20** Sunday AM: **334/81** Sunday PM: **108** Wednesday: **113/18**  
Budget: **\$8,950**. Last Week's Offering: **\$14,767**. (Spanish attendance in blue)



## WELCOME VISITORS !!

### Shepherds:

Edwin Davis, Russ Garner,  
Michael Hursey, Gary Nix,  
Tom Stone, Jay Vitarelli,  
Lester Wolfe

### Deacons:

Mike Aldrich, Luis Alfaro,  
Allen Bitting, Terry Brown,  
Rodney Cobham, Doug Horton,  
Michael Dow, Roy Forrest,  
Dexter Hamilton, Dale Kennon,  
Bill Peeples, Warren Smith,  
James Teague

### Ministers

Terry Casey, D. Min., Pulpit  
Ulbert Romero, Spanish  
Jason Waller, Youth & Family

### Secretary:

Risë Smith

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## AWAKEN!

"You are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as others do, but let us watch and be sober."

1 Thessalonians 5:5-6

## West Broward Church of Christ

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## Schedule of Assemblies

### English

Sunday Bible Study 9:00 am  
Sunday Worship 10:00 am & 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Night Study 7:00 pm

### Spanish

Sunday Bible Study 11:00 am  
Sunday Worship 12:00 pm  
Wednesday Night Study 7:00 pm

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# News & Notes for August 10th, 2014

## PRAYER LIST

Ben Ross; Anna Bell Williams; Barbara Waters; Henry Bosch; Rosemary Jimenez; Chuck Johnson; Randy Reed; Willie Koch; Alex Garner; James Teague family; Arias Family; Brandon O'Dell; Doug Kelley; Mary Gosnell; Chip Monk (Open Heart Surgery 8-12-14); Trovan Donald; Mitch Perlman; Connie Bell; Melissa Smith; Krystal Sirorski; Dwight Jackson; Trovan Donald; Kwasi Donald; Julie Aldrich; John Cormier; Anna Bell Williams; Pat Farris; Joan Johnson; Bob Middleton; Jack Bilello; Meada Jonas; Hank Liebe; Naomi Benton-Brown; Yvonne Scouras; Maureen Montantine; Evelyn Cobham; Veronica Wilson (Joan Johnson); Pat Williams; Willette Ingraham; Erica Schimek; Diana Rodriguez; Michael Parrish; Junior Wiggan family; Steve Smith; Jacqueline Johnson family; Nellie Clayton; Doris Price; Harold Barbara & Felicia Brunson; Jean Noel; Karen Johnson; Joyce Parrish; Gracetta Wilkins; Polly Owens & Courtney Cowser; Kathie Lunsford; Phyllis Day-Bowers (B. McDaniel); Robin Ledbetter; Anthony Hugley; Heather Smith; Vickie Osbourne (Derenoncourt Mom); Ethel Brace; Ron & Rodney Reed; Glenda Jones; Louise Cran (S. Benjamin); Anna (T. Biting); Stephen Watson family.

Keep In Prayer: Gloria Louis; Mark Jordan, Marge Logan, Todd Gruendel, Irelis Shapley, Ray Ivey, Noah Casey, Frances Salmon, Cindy Long, Amy Horton, Leandra Rolle; Rory Caskey.

## Remember Our Military:

Jess Aldred; David Cunningham, Levi Danforth, Brandon Edelstein, Ciara Ruiz; Naterika Benton-Stickland.



## WELCOME VBS FAMILIES!!

Thank you all for a wonderful week with your children at "SPY ACADEMY" Vacation Bible School. We trust your children enjoyed last week as much as we loved having them here. Please stay as our guest today for the luncheon and activities after morning worship. We hope our friendly welcome will encourage you to join us often.

## SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE



Today is the last day to bring in your school donations (Room 210) for Christian Homes for Children. They will pick up the supplies tomorrow morning. Thank you for your support.

## MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Saturday, August 23rd at 8 am  
Theme: "Praying for Emerging Adults"  
Please RSVP at the Information Desk

## BABY SHOWER LUNCHEON

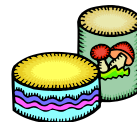
A potluck luncheon & baby shower is planned honoring Yale & Stasha Eichner (It's A Girl!) on next Sunday, August 17th at 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. All are invited to bring a covered dish and shower this first baby with love. Flyers are available at the desks.

## CHILDRENS BIBLE HOUR TEACHERS

8/17 Widlyn Daniels; 8/24 Amy Sebero. To help in September please see Katie Wolfe.

## FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Canned beans, Jellies, Ramen Noodles, canned meats, Ravioli, Soups



# INFORMATION PAGE:

## SUMMER SERIES

2014

Theme:

*"What Can You Do To Help Save Your Family?"*

Wednesday Nights

7:00 pm

August 13th

David Caskey

*"You Can Be a Student of the Word"*

Auditorium Class



## AUGUST

Today VBS Extravaganza Luncheon 11:30 am

Thurs. 14th Teen Event

## COMING EVENTS

### August

Today VBS Extravaganza Luncheon 11:30 am Fellowship Hall & Grounds  
Today Deadline for CHFC School Supplies  
Wed. Aug. 13 David Caskey, Speaker  
Sun. Aug. 17 Baby Shower Luncheon for Yale & Stasha Eichner 11:30 am Fellowship Hall  
Wed. Aug. 20 Rex Morgan, Speaker  
Sat. Aug. 23 Men's Fellowship Breakfast 8 am Fellowship Hall

## Today's Sermons

10 am *"Friendship With God"*  
John 15:12-17; James 4:7-10

## Order of Services Sunday, August 10th

Song Leader: Dale Kennon  
Song: 23 Our God, He Is Alive  
Welcome From the Elders: Russ Garner  
Song Medley: 103; 63; 155  
Opening Prayer: Michael Hursey  
Song: 287 There is a Redeemer  
Lord's Supper & Offering: Roy Forrest  
Children's Bible Hour  
Scripture Reading: Marvin Branch  
Scripture: James 4:7-10  
Song: 214 Have You Seen Jesus My Lord  
Sermon: Terry Casey  
Song: 948 I Am Resolved  
Song: 23 Our God, He Is Alive  
Closing Prayer: Doug Horton