

## Sharing God's Love

*with the world through summer missions*

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by Dr. Ed Carney, Senior Pastor



Dr. Ed Carney

**PARENTS WANT TO KNOW** when is a child old enough to accept Christ as Savior and Lord?

Many parents take a “hands-off” approach when it comes to Christianity. Their claim is a desire for their children to decide for themselves. BUT the world will not be neutral concerning our children and we can’t afford to be either. **In Mark 10:14 Jesus says we are to bring children to Him.**

When? How old?

Age is not the main factor. When a child recognizes his or her sin and comes under the convicting power of the Holy Spirit, they should never be pushed away from Christ but toward Him. We need to give them the opportunity to respond without pressure or hindrance from adults or other children.

Polycarp, one of the early Christian martyrs, accepted Christ when he was nine. He was in his nineties when given a choice to deny Christ or die. He said, “Eighty and six years have I served Christ; He has never done me any harm; then why should I deny His name.”

Isaac Watts, the writer of “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” was converted at nine. Jonathan Edwards, who led the United States into a Great Awakening, was only seven when he became a child of God. Henry Ward Beecher, the powerful preacher, received Christ as his Savior when he was five. Matthew Henry, the commentator, found Christ at seven. E. Stanley Jones, the missionary to India, found Christ at seven.

Children are to be led by their parents to make life-changing decisions. That is why Charles Spurgeon, the great British minister, once wrote:

**Ere your child has reached to seven  
Teach him well the way to heaven.  
And better still the work will thrive  
If you’ll teach him before he is five.**

In June we will have Vacation Bible School for the children in our community! This is an opportunity to bring children to Christ.

*Ed*  
Ed



**on your mark  
get set . . . GO!**

**Game Day Central:  
Where Heroes Are Made**  
**June 11-15, 9 a.m. to noon**

Children four years old (born before September 1, 2002) through 5th grade.

Sign-up by the grand staircase or register on-line at [riverlandhills.org](http://riverlandhills.org).

For more information contact Ashlie Williams, VBS Director, at 749-1814, or to volunteer, contact Elise Kirkpatrick at 407-8348.

**RHU**

**RIVERLAND HILLS UNIVERSITY**  
**Equipping Believers For Priority Living**

Riverland Hills University (RHU) is the place where we equip believers with the essentials for church membership, spiritual maturity, and ministry. Though other courses may be offered, the basis for RHU are Class 101, Class 201, and Class 301.

**CLASS 101: Discovering Church Membership**  
**Saturday, June 24 and Saturday, July 22**  
**3:00 to 6:00 pm, Rooms 1 and 2**

Call Sharon at 772-3227 to register.  
Childcare available with registration.



**Know how, where, and with whom you can share Jesus!**

**Did you know...?**

More people live in India than in all of North America, Central America and South America – combined! There are more than 800 million Hindus in India, nearly three times the entire population of the United States. The seven countries of South Asia are home to about one out of five people in the world. Most have never heard the gospel even once!

**PRAY for these specific mission groups!**

**Romania**, June 28 – July 11  
**Judea Project**, Summerville area,  
 June & July

**Middle Schoolers**  
 in West Palm Beach, FL, July 8-15  
**High Schoolers in Puerto Rico**, July 7 - 15  
**Matoaka, West Virginia**, July 22-27  
**Lynch, Kentucky**, September 16 - 22  
**Okra Strut, Irmo**, September 29

**GIVE your time, talents and resources!**

**North American Missions Offering**  
**CHALLENGE GOAL MET: \$20,039.00 received!**

**GO on mission projects near and far!**

**NEW ORLEANS MISSION PROJECT**  
 Operation NOAH Rebuild  
 Rebuild homes in New Orleans July 8 - 14  
 Contact the Lexington Baptist Association  
 at 356-2543

**JUDEA PROJECT 2007**

**Where?** Moncks Corner area of SC  
**When?** July 19-22 (other dates available)  
**What?** Choose from a variety of projects  
**Who?** Individuals and families welcome  
**Cost:** \$50/person  
 Contact: Missy Carnaggio at 749-5497

# Adult Bible Fellowship Leadership Huddles

Each Wednesday at 6:45 p.m. in the Hospitality Room.  
 ALL ABF leaders should plan to attend.

- Building relationships and teamwork
- Information and training
- Explore the Bible Study Lesson Preparation

Your ABF exists to reach people and grow the church. It's not just about the fellowship and a few minutes of Bible study each week.

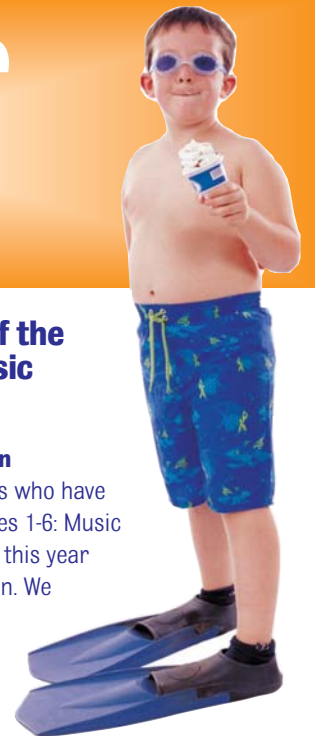
If you've ever participated on a sports team of any kind, played in band or sang in chorus, you know the importance of practice.

Your ABF is so much more important than any game. And we need everyone fully engaged every week. We also need "practice" time to get ready for Sunday.



**That's what these huddles are all about.  
 Leaders – make it a priority to be there!**

# summer is for kids!



**Kids for Christ**

**A week of Bible lessons, meeting new friends, and going cool places.  
 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

- Kindergarten – June 25-29, \$50**
- 1st and 2nd grade – June 18-22, \$50**
- 3rd and 4th grade – July 16-20, \$55**
- 5th grade – July 23-27, \$60**

Children who have completed K-5 through 5th grade come for a week of fun at Kids for Christ! Bible lessons, meeting new friends, going cool places around Columbia like Chuck E. Cheese, the Zoo, Adventure, Frankie's Fun Park and The Plex. Price includes T-shirt. **Contact Merri Christy Tolar at 772-3227.**

**Heroes of the Faith Music Camp**

**June 25-29,  
 9 a.m. to noon**

Calling all kids who have finished grades 1-6: Music Camp is back this year with lots of fun. We will learn and produce the musical "Heroes of the Faith" to be performed on the last day of camp. Music campers will find out more about real heroes from the Bible. \$25, includes t-shirt. **Contact Suzanne Lee, Camp Director, at slee@sc.rr.com.**

# Experience Riverland Hills

## preschool and children's ministry

### Sunday Mornings

For preschoolers and children. Sunday School is offered for boys and girls ages birth through 6th grade at 9 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. During the 11:30 a.m. service we have classes for birth through 4 years old. This is a time for children to have fun and learn in a wonderful Christ-centered environment.

### Wacky Wednesdays

Children who have completed 1st - 6th grade are invited to join us this summer on Wednesday evenings in the gym at 6:45 p.m. for Wacky Wednesdays! We will have a devotion time, play games, make crafts and have lots of wacky fun! Wacky Wednesdays begin June 6.

## youth ministry

### Youth Bible Fellowships

Get connected on Sunday morning!

9 a.m. - Middle School, The Attic

10:15 a.m. Middle School / High School, The Attic.

### YBS (Youth Bible Study)

June 12-14 (Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday) 6:30-8:30 pm  
Sheffield Subdivision

*(Please see Youth Newsletter for directions.)*

Grades 6-8 Umberger's Home – 13 Hillstone Ct. (781-7394)

Grades 9-10 Joye's Home – 428 Telfair Way (749-7475)

Grades 11-12 Gregory's Home – 115 Williamstown Way (732-6094)

## Carowinds

High School – Monday, July 23

Middle School – Tuesday, July 24

Student Cost: \$35 due July 13

Chaperone Cost: \$17.50

You must sign-up to ensure enough transportation.

Please contact April in the church office (april@riverlandhills.org)

Meet at the church at 8:30 am. Return to the church at 8:00 pm.

Bring your swimsuit, towel, and sunscreen. You are responsible for your own items. You need extra money for lunch inside the park and dinner on the way home.

### www. (Wild Willy Wednesdays)

Summer Wednesday Nights

Meet in The Attic each week beginning June 20.

6:00-7:30 pm (Middle School & High School Together)

Please see the Youth Newsletter for details

of activities for each Wednesday during the summer.

### S<sup>3</sup> (Super Size Sundays)

Join us for an incredible time of fun, fellowship, and devotion. Summer Sunday Nights. All Sunday night events are off campus this summer. Please see the Youth Newsletter for event location. **Notice:** Student drop-off/pick-up at event location. (Middle School & High School Separate). 6:30-8:30 pm. See youth newsletter for more summer details!

## college ministry

### Weekly Bible Study

Wednesdays, 8:00 p.m., Room 207.

## young professionals ministry

### Weekly Bible Study

Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. Contact Bart Cook  
at bartleycook@gmail.com.

## SinglesMinistry

### Rock Bottom Concert & Cookout

Saturday, June 2, 2007

2:00 - 7:00 pm

Host: Martha Carter (348-6096)

### Independence Day Celebration

Saturday, June 30

1:00-11:00 pm – Cookout at 4:00 pm

We will provide the food; you bring your lawn chair, beach towel, and water gear.

### Southern Patriot Cruise

Saturday, June 9 – 7:00-11:00 pm

Cost: \$25.00 \$30.00 after June 4

\$35.00 the day of the cruise

Host: Mike Keys (318-8070)

### Brian Center Nursing Home

Ministry Visit

Saturday, June 16 – 10:00 am

Host: Elaine Green

### Singles Tennis

Saturday, June 16, 5:30 pm

Host: Mike Keyes (318-8070)

### Praise & Prayer Gathering

Sunday, June 24

Singles II classroom

We will go out to dinner afterwards.

Host: Jill Clark (407-8201)

### Thursday Nite Dinner

Thursday, June 21, 6:30 pm

Bonefish Grill

Host: Kathy Santos

### Finley Park Concert

Saturday, June 23

6:00 pm -10:00 pm

Bring a lawn chair and a snack or covered dish to share.

Host: Martha Carter (349-6096)

### On the Horizon!

June 28 - July 1

Romanian Mission

July 4

Independence Day

Celebration at Lake Murray

August 18

Day at the Beach – Folly Beach, SC

September 16 - 23

Kentucky Mission Trip

October 10 -14

Singles Fall Retreat

Lake Junaluska, NC

**Please see Singles 40+ weekly announcements and monthly newsletter for more details about these events!**

# Congratulations Class of 2007!



## June AT A GLANCE

### WEEKLY

#### SUNDAY MORNING

- Traditional Morning Worship** 9:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.
- Contemporary Worship** 11:30 a.m.
- Adult Bible Fellowships** 8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:15 a.m.
- Middle School Bible Fellowships** 9:00 a.m., 10:15 a.m.
- High School Bible Fellowships** 10:15 a.m.
- College Bible Fellowship** 10:15 a.m.
- Nursery and Preschool Sunday School** 9:00 a.m., 10:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m.
- Children's Sunday School** 9:00 a.m., 10:15 a.m.

#### SUNDAY AFTERNOON / EVENING

- \*Youth Super Size Sundays** 6:30 p.m.

#### MONDAY EVENING

- Foot Movements** 6:30 p.m.

#### TUESDAY MORNING / EVENING

- OASIS** Senior Adult Bible Study & Fellowship, 11:30 a.m.

#### WEDNESDAY MORNING

- \*Youth Meet, Greet and Eat** 11:30 a.m.
- Precept Bible Study** 9:30 a.m.

#### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON / EVENING

- Wednesday Night Meal** 5:00 p.m.
- Wild Willy Wednesdays - Youth** 6:30 p.m.
- Wacky Wednesdays - Youth** 6:00 p.m.
- ABF Leadership Huddle** 6:45 p.m.
- Mid Week Bible Study** 6:45 p.m.
- Adult Choir** 7:30 p.m.
- College Bible Study** 8:00 p.m.

#### THURSDAY EVENING

- \*Young Professionals Bible Study** 6:30 p.m.
- Precept Bible Study** 7:00 p.m.

#### FRIDAY MORNING

- Foot Movements** 10:00 a.m.

#### June Usher Team Schedule

June 3	Usher Team 1
June 10	Usher Team 2
June 17	Usher Team 3
June 24	Usher Team 4

\* These events are off-site

### College - Masters

Laura Yancey Jones	University of South Carolina
Robert Kinard	Webster University
Jordan Knight	Webster University

### College

Cameron Blakely	University of South Carolina (w/Honors)
Casey Brown	University of South Carolina
Melissa Eason	University of South Carolina
Abbey Hilton	Clemson University
Ryan Phillips	University of South Carolina
Ross Umberger	Clemson University

### High School

Whitney Amaker	Dutch Fork High School
Haley Baird	Irmo High School
Lizzy Bell	Irmo High School
Kevin Brown	Lexington High School
Sarah Cadarr	Irmo High School
Brooke Carson	Irmo High School
Doug Carter	Chapin High School
Ashleigh Carver	Grace Home School Association
Courtney Cogdill	Lexington High School
Vladimir Crumbo	Dutch Fork High School
Taylor Desseyne	Lexington High School
Heather Eason	Irmo High School
Keah Ellison	Irmo High School
Jennifer Foard	Irmo High School
Heather Hall	Irmo High School
Julie Johns	Irmo High School
Carolyn Joye	Dutch Fork High School
Garrett Lay	Irmo High School
Robby Lee	Dutch Fork High School
Seth Leslie	Dutch Fork High School
Michael Love	Irmo High School
Travis McKenzie	Irmo High School
Kristen Morley	Dutch Fork High School
Courtney Moss	Irmo High School
Will McWhirter	Irmo High School
Jennifer McLawhorn	Dutch Fork High School
Rebecca Patton	Irmo High School
Joan Aubrey Price	Irmo High School
Sierra Lynn Rossi	Irmo High School
Anna Saleeby	Dutch Fork High School
Stephen St. John	Dutch Fork High School
Travis Stewart	Irmo High School
Ashlynn Wells	Irmo High School
Jordan Watson	Irmo High School
Lindsay Yarborough	Irmo High School

# 55+ MinistryNews

## REGISTER NOW!

**Adult 55+ Fall Celebration  
October 15-19, 2007  
Ridgecrest, NC**

Join us for an inspiring time of worship, fellowship and spiritual renewal in the mountains of N.C. Dynamic Bible teaching, uplifting worship, breakout groups and loads of fun for seniors!

### Featured Speakers:

**Danny Singleton**, Pastor of Easthaven Baptist Church, Brookhaven, MS

**Larry Crabb**, Founder and director of NewWay Ministries

**Mike Harland**, Director of Lifeway Worship Music Group

**Bret Robbe**, Director of leadership for LifeWay Christian resources

*Special music by the Dixie Melody Boys, Southern Gospel group based in Kinston, NC.*

Cost for individual: \$365.00 (2 per room, deluxe). Cost includes program fee, room, meals and materials for conference. Deposit of \$178 due by July 1, 2007. For further information contact Dr. Tim Phillips at 772-3227.

## rhbc caregiving ministry:



### The Shut-In Ministry Team

Are you looking for an opportunity to serve others and share your faith in a caring, compassionate way? Do you know a shut-in who could benefit from a caregiving ministry?

If so, our Shut-In Ministry Team invites you to join us in our ministry to the shut-ins of Riverland Hills. An information/orientation meeting will be taking place in the near future, so look for further information coming soon.

**Contact Dr. Tim Phillips at 772-3227 to learn more.**

# Oasis



Every Tuesday – Fellowship Hall – 11:30-1:00 pm.

## Oasis “Summer Series” begins June 5.

This will be a ten-week study entitled “Slaying the Dragons.” We all struggle with “dragons” that seek to slay us and keep us from serving God. Romans 8:37 says that in Christ, we are more than conquerors. Come join us as Dr. Phillips teaches life application lessons on how to become a dragon slayer. **If transportation is needed contact Suzanne Patterson at 772-3227. Lunch is \$1.00 per person.**

**Week 1: Temptation**

**Week 2: Stress**

**Week 3: Relational Conflicts**

**Week 4: Failure**

**Week 5: Alcoholism**

**Week 6: Hopelessness**

**Week 7: Spiritual Dryness**

**Week 8: Painful Memories**

**Week 9: Panic Attacks**

**Week 10: Negative Thinking**

## celebrating 40 years of childcare!

Riverland Hills Day School celebrates 40th Anniversary



**ON SEPT. 9, 2007,  
THE DAY SCHOOL  
IS CELEBRATING  
FORTY YEARS OF  
CHILDCARE.**

Since 1967, RHBC has offered a weekday preschool program growing from a morning only “Kindergarten” program for five year old children

to the Day School we have today with 130 children enrolled from the ages of two to five. This ministry of Riverland Hills Baptist Church has reached thousands of children in the Irmo/St. Andrews Community. We invite former children, parents, and staff to participate in this day of celebration. Other information will follow during the summer. **If you would like more information or have photos you’d like to share, please call Lynne Moser at 798-2716.**



## Upward Cheerleading Camp



Riverland Hills is hosting an Upward Cheerleading Camp the mornings of July 9-13. All children who have completed K5 – 5th grade may participate. This camp is designed to strengthen cheerleader skills and to promote salvation,

character, and self-esteem. **For more information, please contact Buffy Whitaker (jeremywhitaker@bellsouth.net) or Joel Sellers (joel@riverlandhills.org).**

It's going to be an incredible week, so don't miss out!



## Mark Your Calendars

### 55+ Walking Club

Thursday mornings, 7:00 a.m.,  
Columbia Centre. Meet in the food court.

### Men's Pick-up Basketball

Age 18+, 6:00 a.m.,  
Friday mornings, RHBC gym.

### Foot Movements

Mondays, 6:30 p.m., and Fridays,  
10:00 a.m. Contact Elaine Marlow at  
625emarlow@bellsouth.net.

## Memorials / Honorariums

### APRIL 22, 2007

TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Blake Neal** by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dickson, Mr. and Mrs. George Magruder, Rhoda and Jim Rice, Gina and Donnie Slaughter, June and Dave Herndon, Janice and Stephen Stuerke, Bob Brandt Stations, Inc., Jim and Pat Watson, Emery and Amelia Smith, Bill and Kathy Cogdill, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Watson. TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Frances Weathersby** by Mr. and Mrs. George Magruder. TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Louise Pitts' mother** by Rhoda and Jim Rice. TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Lola Lashway's nephew** by Rhoda and Jim Rice. TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Jenelle Martin's mother** by Ron and Jeanie Feaster. TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Myrtle Gore's brother** by Ron and Jeanie Feaster. TO BENEVOLENCE in memory of: **Blake Neal, Jenelle Martin's mother, Alma Cook's sister and Myrtle Gore's brother** by Ike and Francis French. TO BENEVOLENCE in memory of: **Alma Cook's sister, Thelma; Myrtle Gore's brother, Harry Gibb; Pat Burgess' husband, Bill; Angie McClam's husband, Pete and Kay Moore's husband, Ron** by Helen and Mac Brooks.

### APRIL 29, 2007

TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Blake Neal** by Gerald and Jane Smith, O'Neal and Donna Laird, Charlie and Phyllis Maier, Dr. and Mrs. Keith Kirkland, Keenan Energy Company, Shumpert Oil Company, Margie and Hosea Barrett, Wally and Linda Myers, Alan and Kathleen Shaw, Louie Prescott with Ginny Lou and Marion Smith, Tommy and Jody Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Quay Powers, Minnie Milligan with Larry and Marji Milligan, Rich, Renee, Randy, Leah and Cole Mitchell, Charles and Mary Catoe, Donna and Billy Broome – children and grandchildren, Billy and Sallie Benton, Irene Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Mathis, Sybil and Venson Anderson, Ann and Jack Burks, Ralph and Marcia Varnadoe and Pat Garner. TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Frances Weathersby** by

Ralph and Marcia Varnadoe, Irene Wright, Pat Garner, and Charlie and Linda Weathersby. TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Lauren Jones** by Gail M. Reed. TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Thelma Munn (Alma Cook's sister) and Myrtle Gore's brother** by Ralph and Marcia Varnadoe. TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Jenelle Martin's mother** by Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Mathis. TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Suzanne Patterson's father, Peggy Reading's sister, and Virginia Talbot's sister** by Raymond and Faith Efrid. TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Gail Duke's mother** by Pat Garner. TO ANNIE ARMSTRONG in memory of: **Pete McClam** by Angie McClam. TO BENEVOLENCE in memory of: **Alma Cook's sister, Gail Duke's mother, Mert Gore's brother, Jenelle Martin's mother, Blake Neal, and Sissy Padgett's mother** by Angie McClam. TO BENEVOLENCE in memory of: **Beulah Jones** by Lamplighter Sunday School Class. TO BENEVOLENCE in memory of: **Frances Weathersby** by Marcella McDowell. TO BUILDING FUND in honor of: **Praise Band** by Nancy Stephens Cooper. TO BENEVOLENCE in memory of: **Betty and Oscar Eargle's 61st wedding anniversary** by Linda Crain.

### MAY 6, 2007

TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Blake Neal** by Kathy Minshew and Hayzen Black, Cecil and Betty Neal, Mr. and Mrs. Barnett A. Allgood III, Jenny Corley, Pat and Milton James and Sandra and Joe Turbeville. TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Frances Weathersby** by John and Lisa Tjaarda. TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Louise Pitts' mother and Hoover Lanier's mother** by Jenny Corley. TO BUILDING FUND in memory of: **Jenelle Martin's mother, Anitsa Elsey's sister, Alma Cook's sister and Myrtle Gore's brother** by Sandra and Joe Turbeville. TO ANNIE ARMSTRONG in memory of: **Blake Neal, Frances Weathersby, Hoover Lanier's mother and Alma Cook's sister** by Don and Beverly Lindsay. TO BENEVOLENCE in memory of: **Myrtle Gore's brother and Alma Cook's sister** by Mr. and Mrs. Don Earles.

special summer music event:

# rhbc hosts musicians on mission

**We will host The Florida Baptist All-State Youth Musicians On Mission on Sunday, June 24th at 6:30pm.**

Come hear exciting, fun, and worshipful choral and orchestral music. Making their 25th annual tour, the group consists of approximately 75-100 youth from churches all across the state of Florida, ranging from the 9th – 12th grade, as well as a few first year college students. The group includes both choir and orchestra and is coordinated by Charles “Blimp” Davis, Associate, Church Music Department, Florida Baptist Convention. Rev. Stuart Condra was the former All-State Choral director in 2005 and 2006 on tours to Texas and West Virginia. Bring the whole family and join us to hear this group witness for the Lord through their music! Childcare is available for children birth through age 4.



## Florida Baptist All-State Youth Musicians On Mission 25th Annual Tour

**Sunday, June 24 – 6:30 pm**  
in the Worship Center

[riverlandhills.org](http://riverlandhills.org)

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