

Spring 2010

The Summit

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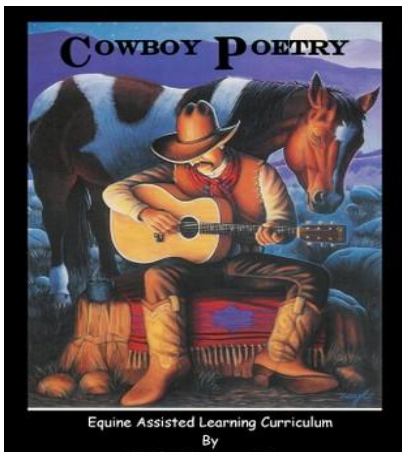
The Summit Church will offer an enrichment program for children ages 4-11 years old. It will be on Tuesdays from 10am-1pm, beginning June 15th and running through July 6th.

For more information or to register please email info@thesummitpc.net or call 770.460.3335.

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Cowboy Poetry a Summer Program

Cowboy Poetry a Summer Program for ages 8-16 to be offered at The Summit. They will be Academic Skill Reinforcement/Development *Writing~ Speaking~ Listening* and Character Education/Life Skills *Respect~ Forgiveness~ Honesty~ Friendship*. This is all Wrapped around a western, cowboy culture theme, inspiring imagination. **It is OUTSIDE in nature, engaging students in activities with HORSES.**

Cowboy Poetry is an innovative, strengths-based learning model, used in school systems, with families and organizations across the country, that supports academic enrichment, promotes the acquisition of development assets, and teaches positive life skills. Each session involves small group discussions of a Life Skill; hands on activities involving one of the academic skills; supervised, experiential activities with the horse (NO RIDING is involved, no experience with horses is needed); and fun, creative activities that develop and enhance verbal processing skills.

WHEN: Every Tuesday, July 13-August 3 10:00am-1:00pm
(Bring a sack lunch; drinks provided by program)
Bonfire Celebration, Friday Evening August 6

COST: \$125 for 4 sessions; and bonfire celebration

LOCATION: The Summit Family Resource Center, 1373 Highway 92 South, Fayetteville, GA 30215

LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE, REGISTER NOW BY CALLING:

Lisa Freeman, 404.281.9497, OR Email Lisa: freefalling181@aol.com

VBS

Vacation Bible School will be July 18-20th from 6-8pm. There will be guest speakers for the Adult Class. The children will have games and activities around the theme of "Saddle Up @ The Summit." Mark your calendars.

Sermon Series:

The Second Act
"God's Mission in the 21st Century"

April 11th "God Recruits"
1 Peter 1:13-16

April 18th "God Equips"
Acts 1:8

April 25th "God Deploys"
John 17:18;20:21

May 2nd "The Whole World is
Our 'Territory'"
Luke 4:18-19

May 9th "Follow Me"
Luke 9:1-6

Pentecost Prayer Vigil

There will be a Prayer Vigil on Saturday, May 22.
There will soon be a sign-up in the Information Center. Watch for more information.

FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER NEWS

The Summit Family Resource Center is hosting a Mother's Day Luncheon for the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, on Thursday, April 29th, at 11:30 am. There will be entertainment provided by a group from the Southern Crescent Chorale, and a special presentation by a professional storyteller. Mother's Day Baskets for the Grandmother's will be provided by the local chapter of the AARP.

EARTH DAY IS APRIL 22ND. We will be collecting used electronics to be recycled for cash, to raise funds for summer camp scholarships for children of the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Support Group. Look for the special green bin in the Fellowship area of the church where you can drop off your used items. See the flyers near the bin for a list of recyclable items. *Love Your Earth* and help a child have a fun summer camp experience, at the same time.

The Summit Family Resource Center received a grant from First Book Atlanta to provide books to children in our tutoring program and children at Inman and Brooks elementary schools. We will be distributing the books in May.

If you would like to help out with one-time special events for the Family Resource Center, we can really use your ideas and enthusiasm! Contact Carole Foran, 770-487-7655; carole4kids@mindspring.com

We need tutors to help out with elementary grades reading and math. The tutoring program meets each Wednesday for one hour at the Summit, and follows the Fayette County school calendar. Contact Carole Foran, 770-487-7655; carole4kids@mindspring.com

Catalyst News

The Youth are talking about "Depictions" this month. They are looking at how movies and media depict, Satan, God, Christ, and the Disciples.

Looking Forward:

There will be a Youth Fund Raiser on May 22. Watch for more information.

Catalyst Mission

There will be a Youth Council meeting Wednesday, April 28 at 8:00pm. The Youth will be going to North Carolina this July. Hein Veinerling has a mission ministry in his church in N.C. They will be helping with remodeling and building projects for those in need.

Small Groups

Small groups are taking the month of April off for Spring break and will resume in May. Our goal is to unite everyone in the Church through the fellowship of small groups. These groups are an excellent way to join each other in learning God's word and growing in our faith. If you would like to start a new group, please contact Rebecca Dyes. The following is a list of the current small groups:

Sunday Mornings 9am-10:30am Currently reading "The Purpose Driven Life" Contact Sandi Wilmesherr

Wednesday evening 7pm-8pm Bible Study Contact George Cleek cleekg@bellsouth.net

Wednesday evening 6:30pm-8pm Currently reading "The Bad Girls of the Bible" Contact Rebecca Dyes rebecca798@yahoo.com

Wednesday evening 6:30pm-8pm Catalyst Youth Group Contact Tyler Brock (706) 402-5106

Thursday mornings 9:30am-11am Morning Prayer Group

Ministry Teams

Our ministry is only as strong as all of us together. Our goal is 100% participation. Prayerfully consider where you can serve and contact the appropriate Elder.

Worship

Elder: George Cleek
H. 770.461.1997

Discipleship/Nurture

Elder: Deborah Hossbach
H770.632.9324

Fellowship/Life Groups

Elder: Rebecca Dyes
H. 678.576.2264

Outreach

Elder: Anne Burks
H. 770.716.7539

Mission/Ministry

Elder: Lee Peek
H. 770.631.1627
Elder Carole Foran
H. 770.487.7655

Administration

Elder: Eric Dahl
H. 770.460.8413
Elder: JP Robichaux
H. 770.632.6188

The Session meets at 7:00pm on Tuesday nights .Anyone interested in becoming a member at The Summit is invited to this meeting.
Session Meeting dates:

May 4
June 8
July (no session)
August 10



Cultivating Community

We lived in southern Virginia at the beginning of our ministry. Chatham was a wonderful tobacco farming community. Spring time there was absolutely beautiful. One of my greatest pleasures was to ride along the highway with my windows open and smell the aroma of the fresh soil that had been tilled. Pretty soon the plants would go in the ground and the work of cultivating the crop would begin in earnest.

As the days grew warmer and the plants grew larger there was more work to be done. There were many prayers offered for the crop, which was the livelihood for most families. The tops of the plants had to be tended to by hand. This is called "suckering." It is a dirty job, but if the plant is going to be healthy and valuable it has to be done. The in the fall when it was time to get the crop in and take it to market it required everyone's help. Neighbor would help neighbor. Schools would take a holiday so the kids could work in the fields. Finally the trucks were loaded and taken with anticipation to market.

It may be a stretch but this seems to have some similarities to the life of a church. In his book, The Purpose Driven Life, Rick Warren talks about *cultivating community*. "Only the Holy Spirit creates real fellowship between believers, but he cultivates it with choices and commitments we make. Paul says, 'You are joined together with peace through the Spirit, so make every effort to continue in this way.' It takes both God's power and our effort to produce a loving Christian community."

Frequency is one of several characteristics that Warren identifies as being important to community. He says you must have frequent, regular contact with your group in order to build genuine fellowship. Relationships take time, just as the seed takes time and care. The Bible tells us, "Let us not give up the habit of meeting together, as some are doing. Instead let us encourage one another. Attending church is a 'habit'. A habit is something you do with frequency not occasionally. *You have to spend time with people-a lot of time-to build deep relationships.*"

It takes commitment because we can often think of ways that it is not convenient. We are the church because we believe the work we are doing here is vitally important. The first Christian church met together every day! "They worshipped together regularly at the Temple each day, met in small groups in homes for Communion and shared their meals with great joy and thankfulness." Acts 2:42

Your presence is an encouragement to those around you. Hope to see you this Sunday!

Pastor Sandi