



## Go-Getter's Senior Adult Ministry

We had a great meeting in April. There were 62 of you who came out to fellowship, have lunch and enjoy the entertainment presented by the VOX Acapella Youth Group directed by Rachel Premo. We appreciate and thank all of you who brought dishes with extra food to share at our meal. The youth group were invited to eat and they really enjoyed our pot luck meal.

Our last meeting before our summer break will be Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. We have invited Mark Mason to entertain us with his songs and guitar. He has been with us several times in the past and we all enjoyed his music.

Mark your calendars and come out and enjoy our time together before our break for the summer. As always, please bring a dish filled with one of your favorite recipes to share at our pot luck meal. Thanks to all of you, our pot luck meals are the BEST!

Prisoner Kit Ministry – We appreciate so much all of your donations to this ministry. We are still in need of toothpaste (4 oz to 6 oz) and rolls of mints (such as Mentos, LifeSavers or Breath Savers). We will continue collecting these items in May, September and October so pick up an item or two when you are out shopping. Or, if you prefer, we will shop for you. Just place any donation in one of the white envelopes on the table at the Fellowship Hall door and mark it “Prisoner Kits”.

Let’s go into our summer break with a big BANG, so we will be looking for YOU on May 14th.

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## From Our Pastor, Stephen Carr

I have been looking forward to the month of May for quite a few months now. As many of you know, our family is eagerly awaiting the arrival of our newest addition, Esther Grace, at the end of May. I am so thankful that we have a church family that we can celebrate with and that we know prays for us regularly. I want to ask that you continue to pray for Matthew, Jeanne, and James as they prepare for Esther’s arrival.

I also want to ask you to help as Jeanne, who serves as our Children’s Ministry Leader, prepare to be out for maternity leave. The best way that you can help is by volunteering to serve in our Children’s Ministry. Jeanne is finalizing plans for our 2024 Vacation Bible School and there are a few more volunteer positions to fill. If you are willing to serve in VBS, please contact Jeanne as soon as possible to let her know your availability. If you are willing to serve on a rotation for our nursery and/or for Children’s Church, please contact Jeanne and let her know that as well. It is a blessing to be involved in loving and training the next generation so I hope that you will commit to serving in this vital area of Deer Park.

During the month of May, we will also continue to give reports from the Church Health Assessment Survey. Thirty church members invested the time to give the Church Health Assessment Team their input by filling out the Health Assessment survey. Your input has helped us learn more about four key areas of Deer Park. The survey focused on church culture, church growth, church leadership, and church doctrine. The Health Assessment Team is analyzing your input alongside the demographics around the church to determine how Deer Park can best love and reach our community. Please watch the weekly announcement bulletin for updates from the Church Health Assessment Team.

I am excited for the future of the Lord’s church at Deer Park. I look forward to faithfully following what the Lord leads our family of faith to do to be healthy as we seek to reach the next generation with the gospel.

I look forward to seeing you Sunday morning in Sunday School at 9:45 and worship at 11:00.

I love being your pastor!  
Stephen



**From Our Associate Pastor, Andrew Blalock**

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**As May arrives,  
I'm excited to share  
some upcoming  
events and updates  
for our youth and  
families!**

**Sundays May 12 and May 19 - Habits Series Wrap-Up**  
Our Upper Room Meetings continue with the final sessions of our "Habits" series from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Join us for food, fellowship, games, and teaching!

**Sunday, May 5 - Brandon Lake Concert**

Join us for an evening of music and worship at the Brandon Lake Concert at Credit One Stadium on Daniel Island. We'll gather at the church at 5:00 p.m. for pizza before heading over to the concert. Please note, this event is only for those who have already purchased tickets through the church. We'll return to the church after the concert, and there will be no other youth activities that evening.

**June and July Youth Gatherings**  
Stay tuned for updates on our youth gatherings in June and July. We'll be announcing a new time and location soon, so keep an eye out for more information!

**As always, if you have any questions or need more details about these events, feel free to reach out!**

**In Christ,  
Andrew Blalock**

**No Evening Activities on May 26-Memorial Day Weekend**



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**VBS Dates - Mark Your Calendar**

June 23rd-June 27th, from 5:30 P.M.-7:30 P.M.

**VBS Workday**

May 11th, in the Fellowship Hall from 10:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.  
We will be working on decorations for this year's upcoming VBS!



**VBS Donations**

We are asking the church to donate the following items to help with VBS this year:

- Pool Noodles
- Beach Balls
- White & Red Duct Tape
- Blue Plastic Table Cloths
- Blue & Green Party Streamers
- White Foam Poster Board

*All of these items can be dropped off in  
the Missions Corner  
outside of the Worship Center  
in the Children's Ministry Bin*

**Children's Church Volunteer Opportunities**

**Children's Worship Hour Volunteers**

The Children's Ministry is looking for a couple of volunteers to help with the Children's Ministry once a month during the Worship service.

**Children's Sunday School Teacher/Assistant**

The Children's Ministry is looking for volunteers on Sunday mornings to help with the children's Sunday School class, grades 1st-5th, with either assisting or willing to set up a rotation with Karen Faircloth.



# A.C. Corcoran Partnership

## Teacher Appreciation Week, May 6 – 10, 2024

Deer Park will be providing a meal and small gifts for the staff during Teacher Appreciation Week. Please continue to pray for the school staff as they finish another school year. Remember to thank a teacher (and school staff) for all they do!

## DP FoodShare

Many thanks for your generosity in providing hygiene products and liquid laundry detergent for FoodShare. Eleven families were served and there was plenty for all. The families are very appreciative and some are taking Bibles each month.

Continue to pray for the administration and teachers as they complete many requirements in the days leading up to summer break.

Thank you for your continued support!



GA's & RA's Recognition Service  
Sunday, May 19th @ 5:00 P.M.  
Fellowship Hall



## 2023 SPECIAL REPORT "He who promised is faithful." HEBREWS 10:23

11.3 million shoeboxes  
packed by people from 11 countries

5.1 million children  
participated in The Greatest Journey

2.9 million decisions  
made for Christ

**Honduras**  
Received shoeboxes from Deer Park Baptist  
Church!

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### SHOEBOX GIFTS ARE A GOSPEL OPPORTUNITY!

God continues to be faithful to use Operation Christmas Child and The Greatest Journey to open doors for Gospel outreach in places that have never heard about the eternal hope of Christ. Children worldwide are coming to faith in Jesus and sharing the Good News with family and friends. As they do, communities are being transformed by God's love, and churches are being started.

**\*Samaritanspurse.org**



## May Emphasis: Balls

**Tennis balls or Soccer Balls**  
Donations for soccer and tennis balls in bulk.  
(Soccer balls donated must be deflated.)

Other ways to participate:

- Volunteer to make needed items; instructions/supplies provided.
- Volunteer to help process donations monthly on 4th Fridays at 9:30 am.
- Contribute financially for purchasing items online in bulk and processing costs (\$10 per box, which includes an evangelism booklet).
- Pray for the children and families who received the 2023 shoeboxes.

Your support and generosity are greatly appreciated!



# MUFFINS

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# MOM

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Sunday, May 12th

Before Sunday School and  
before service!

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Calling all moms of our DP Kids to join us  
on Mother's Day for muffins and coffee to  
enjoy with your kids before church!

