



# June 2023 Newsletter

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## Vacation Bible School

*June 5-9, 9 am—noon daily*

Kids in Pre-K—entering 5th grade are invited to join us for “Twists and Turns.” There is no cost. Preregister on Realm.

## Middle School Madness

*June 5-9, 9 am—noon daily*

Students entering 6th-9th grades are invited to join us for Bible study and fun daily activities. Cost is \$20/student. Register and pay on Realm.

## Camp Collide Youth Camp

*Fri, June 16—Tues, June 20*

*Latham Springs Camp, Aquilla, Texas*

Camp is for students who have completed grades 6-12. Cost is \$215 per student. Space is limited, so you must sign up by June 6 to guarantee your spot. For scholarship info, contact Andrew.

## Men's Breakfast

*Sat, June 10, 8:30 am, Fellowship Hall*

Men are invited to join us for breakfast. Tickets are \$5 each. You can sign up & pay through Realm or at the table in the Gathering Hall.

## Movie Night at the Plaza

*Sat, June 17, 6:00 pm*

*Plaza Theater (521 W State St, Garland)*

Join us for the movie *True Spirit*. Snacks and drinks will be provided. There is no cost, but you must register in advance (Connection Card, Realm, or call church office). We will receive donations for local missions.

## Ladies' Bunco Night

*Thurs, June 15, 6:30 pm, The Gathering Place*

Ladies, join us for an evening of fellowship!

Bring a snack or drink to share if you can.

RSVP on Realm or by calling the church office.

## Preteen Camp

*Mon, June 26—Tues, June 30*

*Mt Lebanon Camp, Cedar Hill, Texas*

Kids who have completed 3rd—5th grade are invited to go to camp with us! Cost is \$200/student. Parent information meeting is Wed, May 31 at 6 pm in the Seminar Room. For questions or scholarship info, contact Sarah.



I've heard it said that as you get OLDER, time moves FASTER. Wasn't it just a few months ago that we said goodbye to summer...and now it's hot again? While not officially upon us, summer activities are almost here—so buckle up, get involved, stay connected...**and tell His story!** The fun begins with our biggest Children's Ministry event of the year: **Vacation Bible School** is on June 5-9, so pray for God to do great things in young hearts...and, make sure to bring some kids, grandkids and/or neighbors to enjoy **Twists and Turns! Student Camp** (Camp Collide) follows on June 16-20 at Latham Springs. Then, we move straight into **Pre-Teen Camp** (June 26-30) at Mt. Lebanon. If you want to sponsor a camper so they can attend, please talk with Sarah or Andrew...**and thanks as always for supporting and encouraging the next generation!**

As you know, our primary, church-wide emphasis for 2023 is now underway and continues through October—what we've entitled **NORTHLAKE CONNECTS**. This community-engagement effort stands on four pillars, one focus for each week. Week 1 is devoted to **Reaching Your One**—leaning into relationships beyond the church by showing love and sharing faith. Week 2 brings the excitement of **HomeGrown**, where small groups come together to enjoy fellowship and watch *The Chosen*. Week 3 involves **Church-Wide Activities** (see calendar for details). Finally, week 4 promotes the value of REST by **Practicing Sabbath**. As we've seen already, holidays sometimes shift that basic schedule, but we invite *all* our members to seek community by building relationships (INSIDE and OUTSIDE the church building). *Join with me to make NORTHLAKE CONNECTS a life-changing movement here at Northlake!*

Finally, I want to take some time to exercise some pastoral privilege—with transparency and heartfelt concern: ***Our greatest need as a church, as a culture, as individual disciples is God-centered, self-denying, heaven-seeking PRAYER!*** It's so easy for us just to go with the flow, doing what we've always done...even though we recognize (and can't ignore) that what we're doing is no longer working. We need His power, His vision, His presence, His grace to discover His plan...which takes intentionality; *it's hard to FIND something for which you're not LOOKING!* One of the first places God has led your **Vision Team** is to this irreplaceable need. Will you join us in (re)discovering prayer—both individually and corporately? *Please* make time to join us for PrayerFIRST on Wednesday, June 7 (we'll pause in July and August, then resume in September). We're also considering some prayer guides, prayer vigils and other activities that can bring us to our knees...to hear His voice and awaken His blessing. Remember, Jesus said that we should *"seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness"* (Matthew 6:33).

So...WILL we? Will YOU?

*Bro. John*

## Recent Giving

April 30—\$12,386.18

May 7—\$16,515.20

May 14—\$13,518.36

May 21—\$13,393.10

**Weekly Need: \$14,151.00**

## Recent Bible Study Attendance

April 30—151

May 7—168

May 14—146

May 21—137



# June 2023 Calendar

Thurs, June 1—Food Pantry/Clothes Closet (1:00 pm)

Fri, June 2—Fun Day Friday (1:30 pm)

Sun, June 4—Texarkana Mission Trip Info Meeting (12:00 pm)

Mon, June 5—Fri, June 9—VBS/Middle School Madness

Wed, June 7—Deacons Meeting (6:00 pm)

Prayer First (7:00 pm)

Sat, June 10—Men's Breakfast (8:30 am)

Sun, June 11—Adult Director's Meeting (9:00 am)

Home Grown Groups (noon and 5:00 pm)

Wed, June 14—Senior Adult Monthly Outing (11:30 am)

Finance Committee Meeting (6:00 pm)

Thurs, June 15—Food Pantry/Clothes Closet (1:00 pm)

Ladies' Bunco Night (6:30 pm)

Fri, June 16—Fun Day Friday (1:30 pm)

Fri, June 16—Tues, June 20—Youth Camp

Sat, June 17—Senior Adult Lunch Outing (12:00 pm)

Movie Night at the Plaza (6:00 pm)

Sun, June 18—Father's Day

Wed, June 21—Movie Fellowship (12:00 pm)

Missions Committee Meeting (6:00 pm)

Fri, June 23—Fun Day Friday (1:30 pm)

Sun, June 25—John Carl's 16th Anniversary

Missions Dignity Sunday

Mon, June 26—Fri, June 30—Preteen Camp



## Happy Anniversary!

This month, we celebrate John Carl's 16th anniversary as Pastor. Thank you, Bro. John, for all you do for Northlake!

## Father's Day

*Sun, June 18*

Northlake wishes a very Happy Father's Day to all our dads! We are grateful for you and all you do for our families.

## Ladies Summer Activities

Thurs, June 15—Bunco Night at the church  
(6:30 pm)

Thurs, July 13—Book Club (6:00 pm)  
(*All My Knotted Up Life* by Beth Moore)

Tues, Aug 15—Cookie Decorating Event (6:00 pm)

## Mission Dignity Sunday

*Sun, June 25*

Mission Dignity is an organization whose mission is to help support retired Southern Baptist ministers who need financial assistance.

Look in your June 25 bulletin for an insert describing how you can help.

## Fun Day Fridays

*Most Fridays during the summer, 1:30—5 pm*

Kids who have completed K—5th grades are invited to join us for some fun outings most Friday afternoons this summer. A full calendar will be coming out soon.

## Summer Reading Program

Calling all readers from kindergarten through 6th grade who would like to join our library's Summer Reading Program! The program runs from June 4th to August 7th. If you want to be one of our readers, please stop by the library for your registration packet.

## Prayer First

*Wed, June 7, 7 pm, Seminar Room*

We meet each month on the first Wednesday night of the month to pray for our church, our community, and our world. Make prayer a priority by joining us!

## Pickleball

Pickleball is now meeting every Tuesday evening. Anyone who is interested invited to join us in the Multi-Purpose Center from 6—8 pm to play.

## Northlake Connects

*Week of June 4—Reach Your One—  
With whom will you share Jesus?*

*Sun, June 11—Home Grown Groups*

*Sat, June 17—Movie Night at the Plaza (6:00 pm)*

*Sun, June 25—Sabbath Rest*

## Movie Fellowship

*Wed, June 21, 12:00 pm, Room E-115*

Everyone is invited to bring a brown bag lunch and join us to watch *The Cokeville Miracle*, a movie based on a true story. On May 16th, 1986, in the small town of Cokeville, Wyoming, an entire elementary school was held hostage in one room. In the mayhem that followed, the bomb was detonated, but not one hostage was killed, and parents had to put their skepticism aside as children start to tell stories of how they survived.

## New Member

We welcome Billie Rogers back to Northlake! Billie joined by letter on April 30.