

## Thank You

What are some of the traits and characteristics of servants and leaders? Would the following list be acceptable: dedicated, loyal, prepared, sacrificial, motivated, caring, loving, etc.?

I believe you as a Sunday School Leader possess each of these characteristics. Thank you for using your God-given talents to minister to people in Sunday School each week.

Sunday School

leaders are the backbone of our church and our small group ministry. Without you making the weekly sacrifices

to teach, prepare to teach, and to minister to those in your class as well as guests, we would not be as focused on reaching our community for Christ.

It is an honor and privilege to work along side you each and every week. Please let me know of any way I can help you or serve you.

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## Vacation Bible School

June 14-18, 2010

It is almost that time of year again. Vacation Bible School is upon us. This year's theme is Saddle Ridge Ranch. Students will learn of Christ's love for them through a western theme.

What we need from you is help! We will have almost 300 children here each day, many of which do

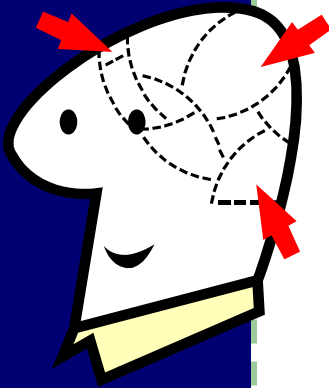


not have a personal relationship with Jesus. Vacation Bible School has always been one of the strongest evangelistic events of the year.

We need help in missions, in teaching Bible stories, in the craft area, in the music area, in recreation, a bus driver, registration,

snack time (my personal favorite), group leaders to take children from station to station, etc. There is a place for you no matter what your gifts are.

We provide the only day-time VBS in the area. June 14—18 will be here soon. Please contact the church office or Cyndi Chadwick for more information.



## Scripture Memory: A Missing Discipline

Think about all that you have memorized over the years. Now, think about what you have recently memorized. If you are like most people you can recall song lyrics, movie lines, passwords, credit card numbers, and much more. I am amused by the wide variety of things that somehow been captured in my mind.

One area I have failed in is to consistently memorize Bible verses. It seems to have been a lost cause since I finished my time in the Bible Drill days of my childhood. If we say we memorize important information, why then is the Bible not on the top of many of our lists?

Let's explore a few reasons Scripture memorization is important: **Memorization efforts accurately express my view of Scripture.** One reason many people do not memorize Scripture or to hide the Word of God in their hearts is simply because we don't value it as important. If we do, then we need to prove it by memorizing it.

**Scripture memory helps protect me from sin.** Psalm 119:10-11 states, "I have sought You with all my heart; don't let me wander from Your commands. I have treasured Your word in my heart so that I may not sin against You." Memorizing Scripture will focus my mind more on God than on things of this world.

**I'm setting myself up to hear God more clearly and effectively.** The Word provides a unique and effective means to hearing the Father. The more an individual knows the Bible, the better he or she can sense His presence and hear His voice. It sets an example to those around me. What a great example it would be to your class and the entire church if all our SS leaders began memorizing Scripture! **It keeps my ministry effective and relevant.**

God's Word is never changing and yet constantly relevant. Despite how culture changes, the Word will always be our most effective ministry tool.

**I put myself in a greater position to be obedient to God.** Christ's followers must commit their lives not only to studying the Word of God, but also to putting it into application. James 1:22-24 says, "But be doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. Because if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man looking at his own face in a mirror; for he looks at himself, goes away and right away forgets what kind of man he was."

**Will you accept the challenge as a Sunday School leader, one of the leaders of one of the largest ministries of the church and memorize one new Scripture passage each week? I will commit to you to start this journey as your Discipleship Pastor.**

**Who will join me?**

**May 2** Isaiah 53:6  
**May 9** Acts 16:13  
**May 16** Luke 12:8-9  
**May 23** Psalm 46:10

## Childcare Helpers Needed

Actually, this may be the wrong phrase to begin with, but we are not really looking for people to watch kids during worship. What is actually needed are adults, parents, uncles, grandparents, aunts, big brothers, big sisters, etc. who would have a heart to disciple children during the worship hours. If everyone in our church would

volunteer to disciple children during one of our worship hours 1 time a year, we would have enough people.

CBC love kids. It is evident everywhere we look how much space is dedicated to kids, how many resources are used focusing on kids, and through the already over 100 people who serve

weekly in Sunday School, GA's/RA's, and worship ministries. Please join with us to continue this effort during our worship times on Sunday morning.

For more information or to sign-up for a time, contact **Marsha Warren** (kids@cvillebaptist.com) or **Brad Lauer** (bradl@cvillebaptist.com).