

BIBLE VERSE OF THE MONTH

Luke 6:38

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

July

1st Sunday: Luke 10
2nd : Luke 11
3rd: Luke 12
4th: Luke 13

August

1st Sunday: Luke 14
2nd: Luke 15
3rd : Luke 16
4th: Luke 17

KIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL

July

1st Sunday: John 2
2nd : John 3
3rd: John 4

August

1st Sunday: John 5
2nd: John 6
3rd: John 7

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THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

GAZETTE

WELCOME TO THE FIRST EDITION OF THE CHURCH OF CHRIST GAZETTE!



Welcome to the first edition of the Church of Christ Gazette! This newsletter is a way to keep you informed, connected and up to date with all the things that are happening at The Church of Christ.

There is no way that we can capture everything, but we are committed to sharing your celebrations, prayer requests, ministry happenings and honoring those we've lost.

We will work hard to make this newsletter relevant and something you look forward to, but this newsletter will not be a success without you, the members of The Church of Christ. So let us know what's going on with you, your family and your community. Send us all the things! Your articles, pictures and recipes. We can't promise to include them all, but we will try our best.

This edition focuses on the months of July and August and our next edition will focus on September and October. If you would like to submit an article, recipe etc. for our next edition the deadline is August 21, 2024.

Thank you to the Leadership of the Church of Christ for approving the revival of our church newsletter, formally The Church of Christ Digest, which was the vision of Bro. Calvin Fortune. And a huge thank you in advance to all of you for your support in making this newsletter a success.

Keep reading to see the first edition!

BIRTHDAYS AND CELEBRATIONS



JULY BIRTHDAYS

July 2

Sonya Nichols

July 4

Richard McQuillar

July 12

Marvin Sanders

July 13

Charlie McCants III
Robert Shannon Jr.
Shanekqua Holmes

July 16

Shawauna Solomon

July 17

Agnes Spann

July 20

Deloris Boyd

July 24

Bernie Spann

July 29

Timothy Holmes



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

July 16

Daric & Shawauna Solomon



BIRTHDAY SPOTLIGHT



HAPPY
Birthday 70th

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

August 1

Racheal Shannon
Catherine Morant

August 7

Jasmine Jefferson

August 21

Bryce Shannon



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Tonya Green
Marsha "Neicy" McQuillar
Mya Lewis
Monroe Lewis

SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS



WE EXTEND OUR

Deepest Sympathy to...

The Lisbon and Shannon Families in the loss of Bro. Keyon Lisbon

The Prescott, Scipio, Commander and Myers families in the loss of Bro. Joshua Prescott

The Brown Family in the loss of Bro. John Brown

The Durant & Green Families in the loss of Bro. Ronnie Durant

The Brown, Harkless, Nichols, Shannon and Solomon Families in the loss of Sis. Loretta Brown

The Harkless, Nichols, and Shannon Families in the loss of Bro. Roosevelt Harkless Jr.

The Solomon Family in the loss of Bro. Terrance Solomon

The McCray Family in the loss of Bro. Sylvester McCray III

SICK AND RECOVERING

Mother Mary Johnson

Sister Gracie Holmes

Mother Ruby Davis

Mother Nettie McQuillar

Deacon Robbie Shannon

*O Lord,
Hear Our Prayer*



WORDS OF THANKS

Would you like to send a word of Thanks for well wishes you received while sick or acknowledge the kindness show during your time of bereavement. This spot is for you. Send us your thank you and we will include it in the next newsletter.



YOUTH DEPARTMENT

Hello Summer Break, we've been waiting on you! Our mentees ended the school year with a bang! From various awards, achievements to breaking athletic records. The 2023-2024 school brought new and exciting opportunities for our youth department! As we reflect upon this year, we've accomplished so much this year. Our goal this year was simply to get back active, and fellowship more amongst each other.

Who are we: We are the Church of Christ Youth Department! Our focus age group is ages 3-21 or Pre-K students to college graduates. Our goal is to reach the youth within our church congregation. However, we love to fellowship with families/friends outside of our congregation as well.

Mission Statement: To inspire and encourage young ladies and young men to use their unique talents, gifts, and abilities for the glory of God. To encourage them to be an inspiration to their peers. To provide a Christian environment where young girls and boys can establish a strong relationship with God while building friendships and having good clean fun.

Core Values:

Faith Based, Mentorship, Wellness, Real- World Application, Family, and Outreach.

Our core values help us stay true to our mission statements and purpose in everything we do!

Donate Below

Three Easy Ways To Donate



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Let's Connect:

Email: Cocyouthdepartment1@gmail.com

Facebook: Follow us for updates/events at Church of Christ SC Youth Department

YOUTH CORNER



Skating in the New Year



Power of Prayer Session



Youth Day



College Tour



Autism Awareness



Financial Literacy Workshop



Black History Program



Junior/Senior Headshots



Bingo Night



Graduation Ceremony

CALENDAR

July

2024



Bone Cancer
Awareness
Month

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4 	5	6
7 1st Sunday - Sumter Service Sumter Campus	8	9	10 Prayer Meeting - Sumter Service Sumter Campus	11	12	13
14 2nd Sunday - Florence Service Sumter Campus	15	16	17 Prayer Meeting- Florence Service Sumter Campus	18	19 Youth Department Meeting-7:30 pm	20 Leadership Meeting - 8am
21 3rd Sunday - Lamar Service Lamar Campus School Supply Distribution- Immediately After Service	22 	23	24 Prayer Meeting- Lamar Service Lamar Campus	25	26	27
28 4th Sunday - Sumter Service Lamar Campus	29	30	31 Prayer Meeting- Sumter Service Lamar Campus			

August

2024



Appendix Cancer Awareness Month

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 First day of School	2 TAX FREE WKND	3 TAX FREE WKND
4 1st Sunday - Sumter Service Sumter Campus TAX FREE WKND	5	6	7 Prayer Meeting - Sumter Service Sumter Campus	8	9	10
11 2nd Sunday - Florence Service Sumter Campus	12	13	14 Prayer Meeting- Florence Service Sumter Campus	15	16	17 Leadership Meeting - 8am
18 3rd Sunday - Lamar Service Lamar Campus Ice Cream Social 	19	20	21 Prayer Meeting- Lamar Service Lamar Campus	22	23	24
25 4th Sunday - Sumter Service Cypress Campus	26	27	31 Prayer Meeting- Sumter Service Cypress Campus	29	30 BINGO NIGHT	31

Join us for a Back-to-School

Ice Cream

Social

Sunday, August 18, 2024

Immediately after service in COC Fellowship Hall



Enjoy ice cream,
cupcakes and
fellowship, while
receiving well
wishes for a
prosperous school
year from our
church elders.

Can't wait to see you
there!

Sponsored by the
Youth Department



BINGO NIGHT

Join us for an unforgettable evening of excitement, camaraderie, and the thrill of the win at Bingo Games! Get your dabbers ready and mark your calendars for an evening filled with anticipation and fun.



Friday, August 30 2024
at 7:30 PM



CoC Lamar
Fellowship Hall

Sponsored by the Youth Department

5 Ways To Stay Hydrated



Set a daily water goal and “drink” reminders on your phone throughout the day.



Drink before you're thirsty. Don't wait until you are thirsty to drink. Keep a reusable water bottle with you for access to fresh water throughout the day.



Drink other fluids like decaffeinated coffee or tea. Avoid fluids with high amount of sugar and caffeine.



Eat more fruits and vegetables daily. Consume foods with high water content, such as watermelons and cucumbers.



Infuse water with refreshing fruit.

Drink Up!



July is...

Juvenile Arthritis Awareness Month:

July is Juvenile Arthritis Awareness Month, dedicated to making everyone aware that kids get arthritis, too! Kids as young as a few months old can be diagnosed with arthritis, and the effects of the disease can be devastating. And while a lot of progress has been made in treating it, there's still a lot more to do to get to the bottom of this painful and debilitating disorder. Groundbreaking research and treatments funded by the Arthritis Foundation mean health care providers have multiple options for JA treatment and support, and research continues for new and better ways to manage the disease. So this month, help spread awareness about the 300,000 kids nationwide who suffer from Juvenile Arthritis

A Healthy Outside, starts from the inside

-Robert Ulrich

August is...

National

wellness

Month

Celebrate National Wellness Month during the entire month of August. It's time to prioritize your self-care, reduce stress, and create healthier habits to feel like your best self!

#NationalWellnessMonth



CONGRATULATIONS!



CLASS OF
2024

NOT PICTURED

SYDNEY BROWN

JAHMEA WHITE



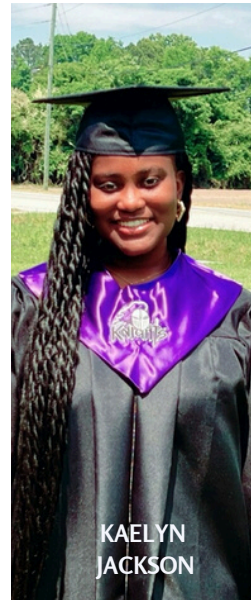
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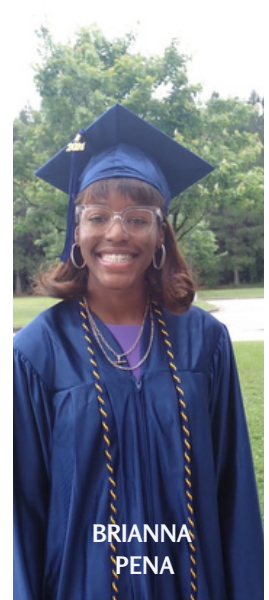
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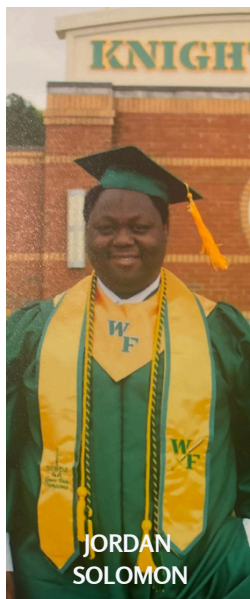
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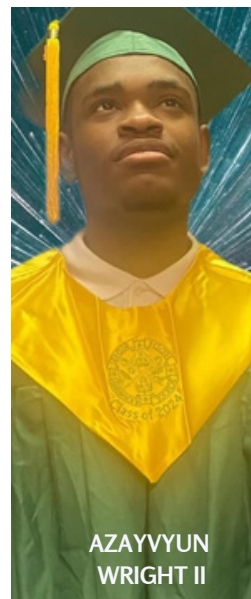
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JORDAN
SOLOMON



AZAYYUN
WRIGHT II



JOSHUA
WHITE



A Prayer for Graduates

At this exciting time of changes and challenges, no matter what life brings, may you always be:

Gracious, your life a reflection of our good and gracious God.
"Grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus," 2 Pet. 3:18
"May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit," Pm.1:25

Reliant, on God in every area of life, work, and relationships.
"Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding," Proverbs 3:5

Assured, of God's love, presence and protection always.
"Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you," Hebrews 13:5
"I have loved you with an everlasting love;" Jeremiah 31:3

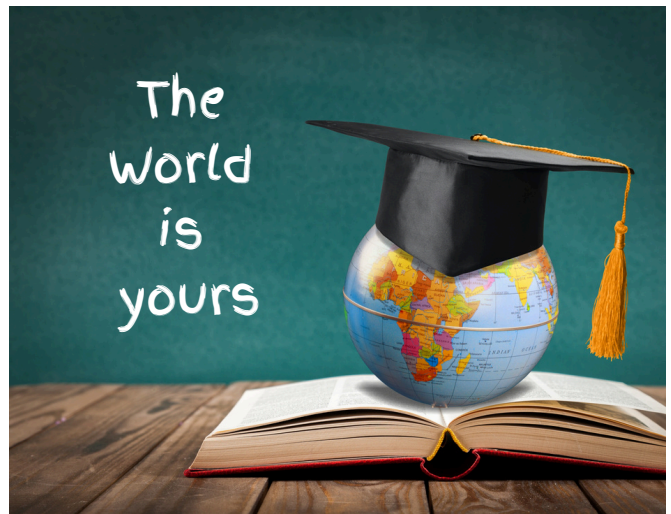
Diligent, remembering always—you serve the Lord Jesus.
"Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God," 1 Corinthians 10:31

Unwavering, in your commitment to what is right.
"So be careful to do what the LORD your God has commanded you; do not turn aside to the right or to the left." Deut. 5:32

Attentive to your Lord because he promises to guide you.
"Your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, "This is the way; walk in it." Isaiah 30:21

Truthful, never lying in any way to yourself or others.
"Truthful lips endure forever, but a lying tongue lasts only a moment." Proverbs 12:19

Eternally-focused, so all else in life is in proper perspective because:
"Only one life, will soon be past.
Only what's done for Christ, will last."



Easy Shrimp Fried Rice



Prep Time: 10 mins
Cook Time: 15 mins
Total Time: 25 mins
Servings: 4

Ingredients

2 tablespoons sesame oil
2 tablespoons olive oil
1 pound uncooked medium shrimp, peeled and deveined
1 cup frozen peas and carrots
1/2 cup frozen corn
2 cloves garlic, finely minced, or more to taste
3 large eggs, lightly beaten
4 cups cooked rice
3 tablespoons thinly sliced green onions
3 tablespoons low-sodium soy sauce, or more to taste
1/2 teaspoon salt, or to taste
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper, or to taste

Directions

Heat sesame oil and olive oil in a large nonstick skillet or wok over medium-high heat. Add shrimp and cook until they are bright pink on the outside and the meat is opaque, about 3 minutes, flipping halfway through.

Remove shrimp from the skillet using a slotted spoon, allowing oils and cooking juices to remain in the skillet. Place shrimp on a plate and set aside.

Add peas and carrots and corn to the skillet and cook, stirring intermittently, until vegetables begin to soften, about 2 minutes. Add garlic; cook and stir for 1 minute. Push vegetables to the side of the skillet, pour eggs into the other side, and cook to scramble, stirring as necessary, 3 to 4 minutes.

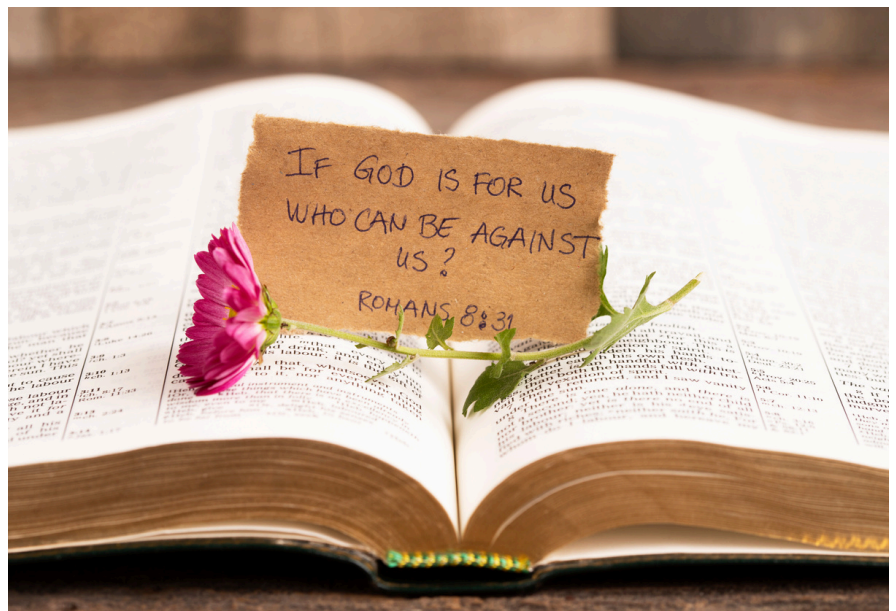
Stir shrimp, rice, and green onions into the skillet. Drizzle evenly with soy sauce, season with salt and pepper, and stir to combine. Cook until shrimp is reheated through, about 2 minutes.

Nutrition Facts (per serving)
Calories 552 Fat 19g Carbs
64g Protein 30g

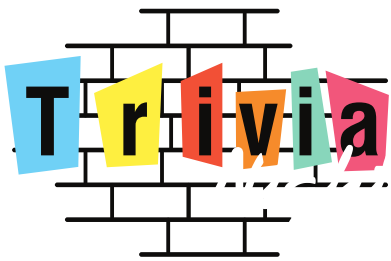


Dr Joseph and Dr Brenda Williams of Sumter, SC have a 501(c)(3), non-profit, charitable organization called The Family Unit Inc. The Family Unit Inc. Free Medical Clinic is held every first and third Saturday from 9AM until 1PM. The location of this facility is 9B Willow Drive, Sumter, SC 29150. Persons without health insurance and are between the ages of 18 years and 64 years old are eligible to receive healthcare at their clinic. Dr Brenda Williams cell phone number is: (803) 968-3375. She may be reached at this number. She asks that you like The Family Unit Inc. on their Facebook page. Appointments may also be made through their Facebook page.

A poster for Youth Victory Week at Bishopville Church of Christ. The poster is purple and white. It features a logo for Bishopville Church of Christ with a cross and the text "YIELD NOT to TEMPTATION". The event dates are August 2nd-4th, 2024. The schedule includes: Friday, August 2nd: 6p Devotional "Shun Evil Companions" Friendship or Friendslip! Saturday, August 3rd: 10a Morning Meditation "Be Thoughtful" Brunch, Shades-Scavenger & Skate \$10 Sunday August 4th: 10:30a Youth panel 11:30a The Praises Go Up! 1p Fun & Fellowship! The poster also features a photo of a family and the text "The Johnson Family".



BIBLE TRIVIA QUESTIONS



1. How many days did God take to create the world?
2. What was God's sign to Noah that he would never destroy the earth again?
3. What did God use to speak to Moses in the desert?
4. Who was the king of Israel anointed by Samuel after Saul?
5. Where did God give Moses the Ten Commandments?

BACK - TO - SCHOOL WORD SEARCH

X J G X B M M E F K H F Z U P
R O U E I O R M O I I K R N L
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MATH
NOTEBOOK
PAPER
PENCIL
PLAYGROUND
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STUDENT
TEACHER
WRITING



Find the word in the puzzle.
Words can go in any direction.
Words can share letters as they cross over each other.



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