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February 11, 2018 Today's Gatherings

Families with Children
11:30am in the Gym

Young Professionals Focus Lunch
12:30pm in the Large Conference Room

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- **Starting Point-** *Anyone interested in learning more about Celebration or joining the church | Today & February 18, 10:15am | Large Conference Room (in Ministry Central) | Join Pastor Doug for a look at what Celebration believes and why, get to know our leadership, learn about the many ministries we offer and how you can get involved! RSVP to jchesney@icelebration.org.*

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- **Young Professionals Community Focus Group-** *February 11, 12:30pm | Large Conference Room | Help shape the future of our Young Professional Community by enjoying lunch and sharing your ideas!*
- **Families with Children Community Gathering-** *February 11, 11:30am | Gym*
- **Legacy Community Gathering-** *February 18, 11:30am | Gym*
- **Families with Teens Community Gathering-** *February 25, 12:30pm | Gym*
- **New Horizons Community Gathering-** *February*

25, 12:30pm | Loft

- **Families with Preschoolers Community Gathering-** *March 4, 11:30am | Gym*

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- **T-Groups-** *Grow in a T(ransformation)-Group! Meet weekly with 2-3 others. Contact Mike (hellermsh@gmail.com) for Men and Jerri (jchesney@icelebration.org) for Women.*
- **College Home Group-** *Thursdays, 6:30pm | The Francis Home (3750 Bobbin Mill Rd.) | Dinner & Bible Study.*

Mobilize

- **Salt & Light Citizenship Ministry- Monthly Prayer and Action Meeting-** *Today, 4:00pm | Room 9. Pray for our Government Leaders- Tuesdays, 7:00am | 22nd Floor of the Capitol. Southeast Regional Patriot Academy- Future Leaders | June 11-13 | See PatriotAcademy.com for details and contact BarryJWebster@aol.com if you are interested.*

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Celebration Kids

First Parents Night Boot Camp Packs the Loft

On Friday, January 26, the After School Ministry had the overwhelming pleasure of hosting nearly 220 people at our first 'Parents Night Boot Camp'. We wanted to provide parents with an opportunity to get firsthand experience of what their children do at Celebration's After School Program. Some of the parents even claimed that this night took them back to their own childhood! Our primary goal was to give parents a bird's eye view of the love and dedication that our staff demonstrates every day in creating a nurturing environment that encourages imagination and lots of fun while teaching God's Word. We started the night serving pizza, playing games, scripture memory, Praise & Worship, experiencing chapel and listening to Pastor Tommy explain the importance of the colors yellow and red. He shared with parents the meaning behind the colors and how combining the critical influences of the light of the church (yellow) and the love of the family (red), the Orange strategy synchronizes efforts and shows a generation who God is, more effectively than either color could alone.

The night ended with the children leading their parents through their favorite activity rotations and



allowed parents a glimpse of what it means to be a child in our program. Based on our observations, they may have enjoyed a game of dodge ball against their children a little too much. We are so thankful for a wonderful facility and grounds that allow us the opportunity to host such meaningful and exciting events while serving truly amazing families.

Please check out the Celebration Kids Facebook page to see a video of this incredible night!

Welcome to the Celebration Kids Team



Jessica McNeil, Media Intern. She adds a special touch through photos and videos to all of our ministry events. Jessica uses her gifts to help highlight our ministry through photos and videos.



Emily Tretter, Children's Ministry Intern. Emily is a member of our After School staff and has stepped in to help lead BLAST, KidStuff and special events. Emily loves working with children and brings great passion and energy to the team.



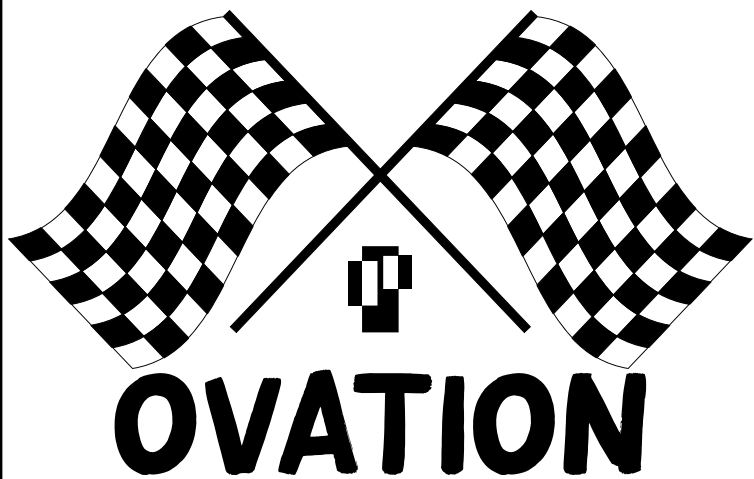
Wes Cunningham, Children's Worship & Tech. Wes has been leading in other areas at Celebration and has a passion to serve kids and their family. He has been a leader in getting our Special Needs ministry started as well.

We are blessed to have Jessica, Emily and Wes on the team and look forward to watching them grow in ministry.

Goodbye and THANK YOU!

This month we have to say goodbye to Kara Murphy as our Children's Ministry Assistant. Kara has been an amazing part of our staff for the past nine years. She has served in preschool, Kinderschool and the last four years in Children's Ministry. She made BLAST, KidStuff, Upward, Adventure Week and so many other ministries come to life and lead them well. She has taken another job in town and we'll be leaving our staff, but staying a part of the Celebration family. Thank you Kara for making an impact in the lives of our children and families. You will be greatly missed.





LEADER OVATION RACE DAY

Today, 2pm

For all staff & volunteers and your family

Yes, this includes all Kinderschool, After School, BLAST, BLAST, Jr., Upward, Mops, Adventure Week, Communities and anyone who serves with kids at Celebration.

We want to say thank you !

**car racing | nachos | bouncers | prizes |
petting zoo | photo booth with classic cars |
mechanical bull | and tons of fun!**

My Kinderschool Story

By Danielle Austin

My husband and I are truly blessed to have two children enrolled at CBK. Each morning we walk through the front doors of the school we are greeted with warm smiles and tender greetings. It is easy to tell each teacher and staff member loves their job. The teachers have spent many hours with my children to make sure they are meeting their milestones while having fun in a safe and happy environment.

All the while and even more importantly, they are shepherding my children's hearts to know Jesus. My son, Collins (who is 5 years old), always mentions how thankful he is for his school and teachers in his prayers. It is evident to me that God is working through this ministry for his purpose. We are so thankful and appreciative for the CBK teachers, staff, and church.

UPWARD SPORTS

Family Night
Celebration
Sunday, March 4, 5pm

Thanks to the 80+ families who are a part of our 3-6th grade season. Thanks to all the coaches, refs and leaders who make it happen.

Special thanks to Tom Jones, Leigh Ceci, John McClung and Jeff Johnson.

These church members have faithfully volunteered their time as our referees and done an amazing job of ministering to our Upward families.



SMAC
5th grade trip
Sunday, February 18,
after church

We are heading to Sky Zone as we talk about Destiny and how God has a plan for each of us. Inviting all 5th graders and their parents to join us.

Sign up at the BLAST table.

• **A Women's Pregnancy Center's WALK for LIFE- Saturday, March 3 | Tallahassee Automobile Museum | Put your faith into action and ask your friends and relatives to sponsor you in A Women's Pregnancy Center's WALK for LIFE. Become a vital part of this ministry to women and men facing the possibility of unplanned pregnancy. Visit joinwalkforlife.com.**

• **France Mission Trip Interest Meeting- Wednesday, February 21, 7:45pm | Broom Tree Cafe | Epinal, France, June 1-11 (dates may change a day or two). Working with pastor Didier in community outreach and Old Testament teaching. Estimated Cost: \$2,200.**

This Week At Celebration

Sunday, February 11, 2018

9:00am Worship Service, Adult Groups, BLAST, BLAST Jr
 10:15am Worship Service, Adult Groups, Student Groups, BLAST, BLAST Jr, Starting Point
 11:30am Worship Service, BLAST Jr
 11:30am Families with Children Community Gathering
 12:30pm Young Professionals Focus Lunch
 2:00pm Celebration Kids Leader Ovation
 4:00pm Salt & Light Prayer & Action Meeting

Monday, February 12, 2018

5:30pm Upward Practices

Tuesday, February 13, 2018

5:30pm Upward Practices

Wednesday, February 14, 2018

6:30pm Adult Groups, Converge, KidStuff
 7:30pm Worship Rehearsals

Thursday, February 15, 2018

5:30pm Upward Games
 8:00pm Men's Basketball

Friday, February 16, 2018

6:00pm Dnow Weekend begins
 6:00pm Reunion Hispana Movie & Dinner Night

Saturday, February 17, 2018

Dnow Weekend

Sunday, February 18, 2018

Dnow Weekend

9:00am Worship Service, Adult Groups, BLAST, BLAST Jr
 10:15am Worship Service, Adult Groups, Student Groups, BLAST, BLAST Jr, Starting Point
 11:30am Worship Service, BLAST Jr
 11:30pm Legacy Community Gathering
 5:00pm Car Show Planning Meeting

Accepting Christ As Your Savior

Living for Christ is challenging, but accepting Him is as simple as ABC:

A-Acknowledge that you have sinned: "Sin" means "missing the mark." For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God (Romans 3:23).

B-Believe in Jesus: Believing in Jesus is more than just knowing he exists. It is placing total trust and faith in Jesus. Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved (Acts 16:31).

C-Confess Jesus as Lord: Confessing Christ means accepting His plan for your life. If you say with your mouth that Jesus is Lord, and if you believe in your heart that God has raised Christ from death, you will be saved (Romans 10:9).

Coming to know Jesus begins by telling God that you have failed to live up to His standards and need His help. You can receive Christ right now by faith through prayer. Prayer is simply talking with God. Here is a suggested prayer.

Lord Jesus, I want to know you personally. Thank you for dying on the cross for my sins. I open the door of my life and receive You as my Savior and Lord. Thank You for forgiving me of my sins and giving me eternal life. Take control of my life. Make me the kind of person You want me to be.

If these words express the desire of your heart, pray this prayer right now, and Christ will come into your life as He promised. If you've prayed this prayer, let us know. We'd love to help as you begin a new life in Christ. Text your first name to (850) 320-7153 and a member of our leadership team will reach out to you about your decision!

Connect With Our Leadership

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