## HOW THE CONGREGATION CAN PRAY FOR VBS

WONDERING HOW you can help with Vacation Bible School this year? We need prayer warriors. As Oswald Chambers said, "**Prayer does not fit us for the greater work; prayer is the greater work.**" Here are some ideas to keep in prayer now and during our week of **June 26-30, 2023.** 

**Planning:** VBS is a huge undertaking. Pray for all of the details required in planning and running VBS and for God to provide all the needed supplies, finances, volunteers, energy, safety, and wisdom.

**Relationships:** Pray for lifelong relationships with Jesus to be formed and strengthened. Pray for Godhonoring relationships to be established.

Activities: Pray that every activity will clearly communicate Jesus' love and redemption and teach the kids more about the truth of God and His Word.

**Yielded hearts:** Pray that God would soften hearts and transform lives during VBS. Ask God to allow the gift of salvation, which comes only through Jesus Christ, to be received by both kids and adults.

**Fellowship:** Pray for any kids or parents who are discouraged, lonely, or struggling to really connect, to experience the fellowship of believers. Pray for them to feel encouraged, uplifted, and better connected, and ask God to give VBS leaders and our church a vision for intentional follow-up that continues those relationships and meets the needs of people.

**Outreach:** Ask God to multiply this outreach and pray for the moments when a salvation invitation is given. Pray that our mission outreach to Christian Caring Center (<u>www.ChristianCaringCenter.net</u>) and GTi HOPE (<u>www.gtihope.org</u>) connects our children to a worldview that helps them realize how big God is and that he works in their small world and the world at large. Pray they see how we can join with God in worldwide mission work.

**Region:** Pray that God will use VBS to impact our church and our entire region.

**Volunteers:** Ask God to place them in the best fit for their talents and abilities. Pray that they remain healthy physically, emotionally, and spiritually. That God gives them His supernatural strength and that the Holy Spirit speaks through each one. That the week is filled with love, grace, and mercy.

**Belief:** Pray that the Gospel will be proclaimed boldly and that God will enable even the most skeptical to believe in Jesus and put their trust in Him.

**Sunshine and Safety:** Pray for a week of good weather (no rain, not too hot, etc.) and for safety during all activities; travel times, and during drop-off and pick-up times. Pray that all remain healthy.