

Making Disciples of those **Nearest**, our **Neighbors** and the **Nations**

**OCTOBER 2017**



**THE** **TABLE**  
*Keeping Carmel Connected*

October, 2017

## Carmel Family,

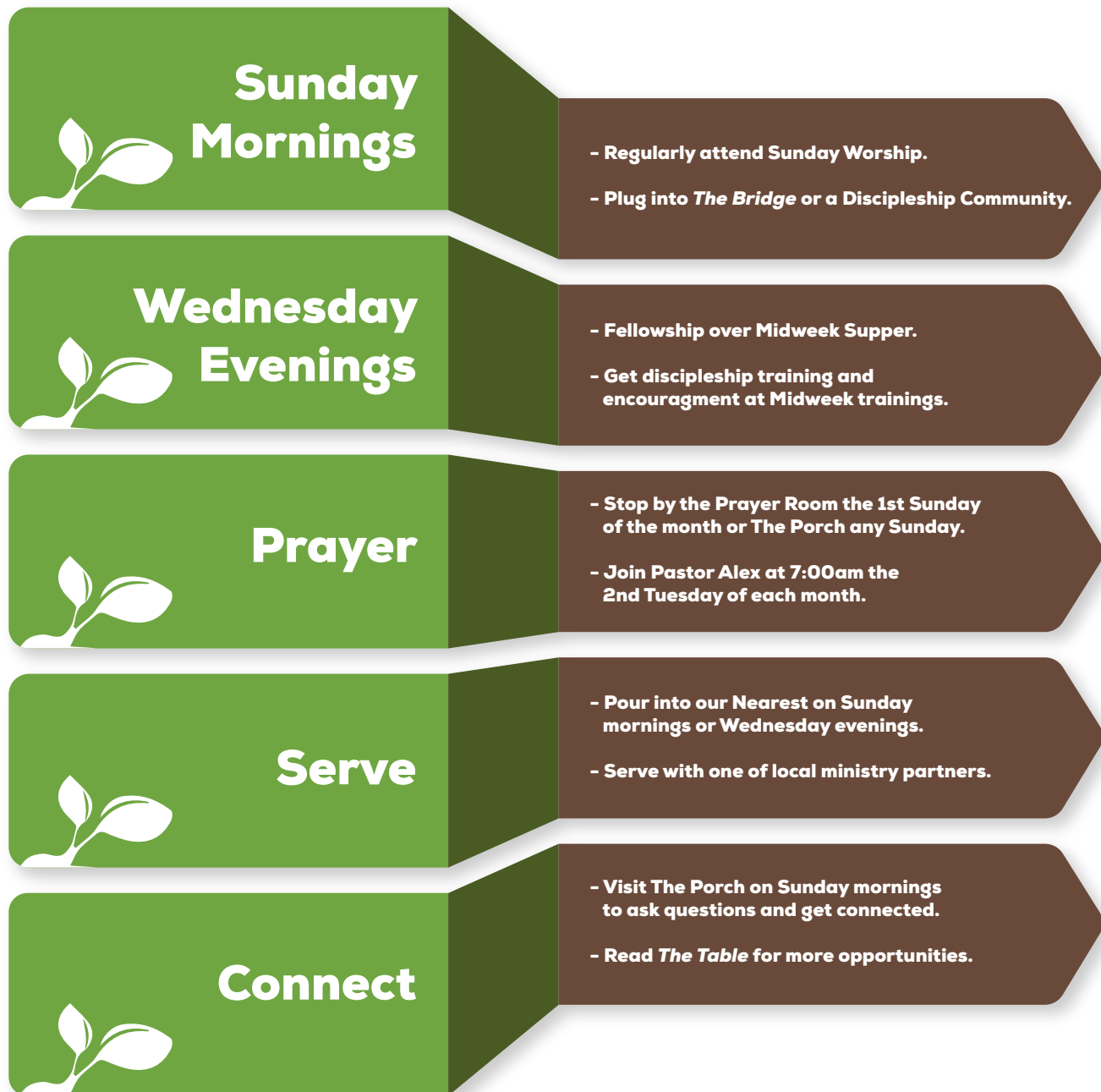
The headlines of September seemed extra heavy - hurricanes, floods, fires, earthquakes and terror attacks. But let these heavy images be a catalyst. A reminder of the urgency with which we have been commissioned to share the hope of Christ - be that in South End through a new Sunday evening service targeting young adults, in Texas mucking out flooded homes or in Florida serving meals to thousands displaced. It also gives us urgency to find our place of service at Carmel as well as finding our place of community in a Discipleship Community with fellow believers. Have you stepped into those 'sacred places' of service and community?

Not only does this give us a sense of urgency for current days but it also reminds us of the faithfulness and sovereignty of our Savior for now and forevermore. The minor prophets from our Root 66 series have reminded us of this truth over and over again the last several weeks. We will wrap up the minor prophets later this month, take a 5-week detour, and then transition to the New Testament.

If you remember I gave you an acronym when we started this journey through the scriptures called **A.M.P.E.C.** to give a simple overview of the story. "A" stands for 'anticipation' to illustrate that, from Genesis to Malachi, all of creation longed for and anticipated a Savior to bring salvation to mankind. We have watched the goodness and faithfulness of God for the entirety of the Old Testament. Be encouraged Carmel. As He was faithful then, He is faithful today, and He will be faithful tomorrow. He is with you every step of your life and you are never alone or forgotten.

Love you Carmel,  
Pastor Alex

# are you gr<sup>+</sup>owing?



Details about all of these opportunities are available at [carmelbaptist.org](http://carmelbaptist.org).



Details for these and other events is available at [carmelbaptist.org/schedule](http://carmelbaptist.org/schedule)

<b>OCT</b> <sup>SUN 1</sup> <i>Root 66: Zephaniah</i> Lord's Supper Elder Prayer	MON, 2	TUE, 3 Mom's Time Out WOMEN: Evening Prayer Gathering	WED, 4 <b>Midweek</b> CarmelKidz Famjam	THUR, 5 WOMEN: Morning Prayer Gathering	FRI, 6	SAT, 7 <b>Marriage Summit</b>
	SUN, 8 <i>Root 66: Haggai</i>	MON, 9	TUE, 10 <b>2nd Tuesday Prayer (7:00am)</b>	WED, 11 <b>Midweek: Family Night of Worship</b>	THUR, 12 WOMEN: Morning Prayer Gathering	SAT, 14
SUN, 15 <i>Root 66: Zechariah</i>	MON, 16	TUE, 17 WOMEN: Evening Prayer Gathering	WED, 18 <b>Midweek</b> Student Family Night <b>Choir</b>	THUR, 19 WOMEN: Morning Prayer Gathering	FRI, 20	SAT, 21
SUN, 22 <i>Root 66: Malachi</i> Choir	MON, 23	TUE, 24	WED, 25 <b>Midweek</b>	THUR, 26 WOMEN: Morning Prayer Gathering	FRI, 27	SAT, 28 Nonprofit Leadership Summit
SUN, 29 <i>DETOUR: Sola Scriptura</i> Baptism Baptism 101 Class <b>Trip Luncheon</b>	MON, 30	TUE, 31	<b>NOV</b> <sup>WED 1</sup> <b>Midweek</b> CarmelKidz Famjam	THUR, 2 WOMEN: Morning Prayer Gathering	FRI, 3	SAT, 4
SUN, 5 <i>DETOUR: Sola Fide</i> Lord's Supper Elder Prayer	MON, 6	TUE, 7 Mom's Time Out WOMEN: Evening Prayer Gathering		<b>Carmel Serve Nov 2 - 5</b>		
SUN, 12 <i>DETOUR: Sola Gratia</i>	MON, 13	TUE, 14 <b>2nd Tuesday Prayer (7:00am)</b>	WED, 15 <b>Midweek</b>	THUR, 16 WOMEN: Morning Prayer Gathering	FRI, 17	SAT, 18
SUN, 19 <i>DETOUR: Sola Christus</i>	MON, 20	TUE, 21 WOMEN: Evening Prayer Gathering	WED, 22	THUR, 23 Campus Closed	FRI, 24 Campus Closed	SAT, 25
<b>The Pause</b>					<b>The Pause</b>	
SUN, 26 <i>DETOUR: Sola Deo Gloria</i> Baptism	MON, 27	TUE, 28	WED, 29 <b>Midweek</b>	THUR, 30 WOMEN: Morning Prayer Gathering	<b>DEC</b> <sup>FRI 1</sup>	SAT, 2
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**THE PORCH**  
The Place to Connect

**Questions about a relationship with Christ, baptism or membership?**

Stop by The Porch on Sundays or email Josh Fairbaugh at [joshf@carmelbaptist.org](mailto:joshf@carmelbaptist.org).

**Connected to Carmel?**

Come to *The Bridge* on Sundays at 9:30 or 11:00am in Room A235. This eight-week experience invites people who are new to Carmel (or not yet engaged in a Discipleship Community) to participate in conversations about life in Christ. New class begins October 22.

**Want to know what is happening at Carmel?**

Visit us online at [carmelbaptist.org](http://carmelbaptist.org) or on social media for the latest news. Subscribe to our weekly Tuesday Enews under the About Us tab at [carmelbaptist.org](http://carmelbaptist.org) or text NEAREST to 22828.

**the bridge**





Note these special events that will help you grow as a disciple of Christ in learning and living.

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**WEDNESDAYS**  
Dinner and Fellowship

**Discipleship training (and encouragement for ALL ages)**  
\* On October 11 we'll all gather together for Family Night of Worship!  
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OCT 10 NOV 14 DEC 12  
COME FOR 15 MINUTES OR THE WHOLE HOUR

2ND TUESDAYS  
**MORNING PRAYER**  
PRAYER LEAD BY PASTOR ALEX  
7:00 - 8:00AM IN THE WORSHIP CENTER



**Short Term Mission Trip Luncheon**

Get a sneak peek at upcoming mission trips, ask questions, and get connected to trip leaders.  
RSVP at [carmelbaptist.org](http://carmelbaptist.org)

**Sunday, Oct 29, 12:30 - 2:00pm**

**CARMEL SERVE**

A weekend when all ages from Carmel Love + Serve our neighbors.  
November 2-5  
See page 8 for details.

**Thursday, Nov 9, 7:00 - 9:00pm**

*carmel women*  
*Evening of Empowerment*

**2nd Annual Women's Evening of Empowerment**

RSVP at [carmelbaptist.org](http://carmelbaptist.org)


An evening for women, by women, to support the empowerment of women overcoming poverty and human trafficking. See page 8 for details.

*the* **bridge**

Connect with others who are new to Carmel through this 8-week interactive experience.  
Sundays at 9:30 and 11:00am  
**Begins Oct 22**

**DETOUR:  
The 5 Solas**

Explore and celebrate the Reformation  
Sundays mornings Oct 29 - Nov 19  
See backpage for details

 **baptism<sup>101</sup>  
CLASS**

Explore biblical basics of baptism.  
Sunday, October 29 @ 11:00am



as a disciple of Christ in learning and living

Complete details are available at [carmelbaptist.org](http://carmelbaptist.org) or web address noted below.

## Grow through Community

Connect with other believers who can encourage your spiritual growth. Learn more at [carmelbaptist.org/connect](http://carmelbaptist.org/connect)

## Sunday Resources

### Stop by The Porch

If you have questions about getting connected at Carmel, a relationship with Jesus Christ or baptism, please stop by The Porch in the Gathering Space (right outside the Worship Center) on Sunday mornings. A member of The Porch team looks forward to assisting you.

### The Bridge: Begins October 22

Offered at both 9:30 and 11:00am. Connect with others who are new to Carmel and learn about the essential beliefs of our church fellowship during this 8-week interactive experience. Room A235.

### Baptism 101: October 29 @ 11:00am

At Carmel, we believe and practice believer's baptism by immersion. If you're not sure what baptism is, or you've never been baptized and are interested in learning more, join us for this class that covers the biblical basics of baptism and how we practice baptism at Carmel. For Adults and Students. Room A243.

### New Member Class: offered November and January

A three-session class that familiarizes new members with the mission and vision of Carmel, and provides opportunities to connect to various ministries of the church. The class is designed for those who want to commit to membership at Carmel. Visit The Porch to learn more.

### NEW Discipleship Community Offerings Sundays at 11:00am

**Hills and Valleys DC:** explore the parables of Jesus; led by Sean & Shannon Mitchell and Todd & Jenny Neal (Room S310)

**High View DC:** a discussion on Jerry Bridge's *Fearing God*; led by Alison Littauer Brown, and Bryan & Robin Woodell (Room S301)

**WEE Connect DC:** for parents of preschool-aged children who seek to make connections, build relationships, and walk alongside one another (Room D101)

### Sunday Reminders

- The **Lord's Supper** is celebrated the first Sunday of every month.
- Traveling? At home sick? Our 9:30am service is available via **Facebook Live**.
- Off-site parking with **door-to-door shuttle** service is available from Elizabeth Lane Elementary from 7:15am - 12:45pm.
- The Carmel **Media Center** is open 9:00am - 12:45pm.

Saturday, December 16 @ 7:00pm



Tickets on sale at [carmelbaptist.org](http://carmelbaptist.org)

### Choir Invitation!

All are welcome to come make a joyful noise and be a part of the Carmel Worship Choir!  
**Sunday, October 22.**

Required rehearsal is Wednesday, October 18.  
Questions?

Email [lem1@carmelbaptist.org](mailto:lem1@carmelbaptist.org).

## Midweek - It's not too late to make Wednesdays a BIG Deal!

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Join us Wednesday evenings for a midweek dose of discipleship training and encouragement! Complete details online at [carmelbaptist.org/midweek](http://carmelbaptist.org/midweek)

**Supper: 4:45 - 6:30pm** (\$5 per person OR \$20 max per family - for family members living in the same home)

**Carmel Students Midweek:** 6:00 - 7:45pm (Note: fellowship from 6:00 - 7:00pm followed by Worship)

**Preschool & CarmelKidz Midweek:** 6:15 - 7:30pm (Note: 6:15pm start time!)

**Adult Programming: 6:30 - 7:15pm** (Join us - no registration required!)

- **Discover & Invest Your Spiritual Gifts:** Discover your gifts and find specific ways to use them at Carmel.
- **Intergenerational Discipleship Community:** Living Outside the Box: How to cultivate intentional transformational communities that glorify Jesus.
- **Breaking Through the Barriers:** How to live a life on mission, on message and on purpose.
- **Navigating Your Finances God's Way:** Biblical principles for managing your God-given resources.
- **Adult Bible Study:** Explore God's Word and encourage one another through prayer. Note: This class begins at 6:00pm.
- **Parenting Roundtables:** Preschool parents begin October 18. CarmelKidz parents meet on Kidjam nights. Student parents meet weekly.
- **Discipleship Community (DC) Leaders:** Pray together, encourage one another, and receive ministry-specific training.

### Volunteers Eat Free!

Become a Midweek Supper Volunteer - it's fun AND you eat at no cost!  
Midweek Supper Volunteers serve from 3:30 - 5:30pm or 5:30 - 7:30pm and help serve food, carry trays, pour drinks and keep the Worship Center tidy.

To volunteer, email [lancef@carmelbaptist.org](mailto:lancef@carmelbaptist.org)

**Everyone is invited to our Midweek**

CARMEL FAMILY  
**NIGHT  
OF  
WORSHIP**

**Wednesday, Oct 11**

**6:30pm in Worship Center**

## Carmel Men

[carmelbaptist.org/men](http://carmelbaptist.org/men)

- Subscribe to Man Mail for encouragement delivered to your inbox every Friday morning.
- Battle sexual sin in a confidential, on-going support group for men pursuing purity.

## Carmel Women

[carmelbaptist.org/women](http://carmelbaptist.org/women)

- Be encouraged as a preschool mom the 1st Tuesday of each month at Mom's Time Out
- Be inspired and shop at the 2nd annual Evening of Empowerment
- Pray with other women at a morning or evening Daughters of the King gathering.
- Save the date! All women are invited to Winter Gathering, at Carmel - January 16, 23, 30 from 7:00 - 8:30pm.

## Christmas Events open to ALL (hosted by Senior Adult Ministry)

[carmelbaptist.org/senior-adults/](http://carmelbaptist.org/senior-adults/)

- Thursday, November 9: Lunch + Christmas Card Writing for Missionaries
- Thursday, December 14: Brunch + a Christmas Performance
- Wednesday, December 20: Christmas Caroling to Carmel's Homebound

## Carmel Home Educators

[carmelbaptist.org/resources](http://carmelbaptist.org/resources)

- Mom's Brunch with guest speaker Christy Kennedy on Saturday, November 4th at 10:00am.



# grow as a disciple of Christ in learning and living

## Grow through Prayer

Join with others for prayer at one of our recurring prayer gatherings on Sunday mornings, Sunday nights, Tuesday mornings, Tuesday evenings, Wednesday nights and Thursday mornings. For details on these gatherings as well as our Prayer Room, Prayer Walks and the Carmel Family Prayer list, visit [carmelbaptist.org/prayer](http://carmelbaptist.org/prayer)

## Grow through Serving our Nearest

Use your God-given gifts, talents, and abilities to glorify Christ and strengthen His Church.

Visit [carmelbaptist.org/serve/nearest/](http://carmelbaptist.org/serve/nearest/) for details and to express your interest in these current serving opportunities:

### Joy (Special Need Ministry)

Adult Class Leader – Sundays 11:00am  
Buddy to Preschooler with Special Needs – Sundays 9:30 or 11:00am  
Adult and Children's Substitute – Sundays 9:30 or 11:00am

### Preschool Ministry

Greeter – Sundays 8:00, 9:30 or 11:00am  
Adult Volunteers – Wednesdays for Midweek  
Resource Team – weekdays at church or at home  
Childcare Worker (paid position) – Wednesdays during Midweek

### Starting Point Team

Parking Lot Greeters – Sundays 9:10-9:40am and/or 10:40-11:10am  
Greeters at Elizabeth Lane Elementary Offsite Parking – Sundays 10:40-11:10am  
DC Technology Assistants – Sundays 9:10-9:40am and/or 10:40-11:10am

## Administrative Updates

### Visiting Carmel During the Week?

Note these security procedures are in place because there are close 1800 preschoolers and K-12 students on campus during the week:

- All visitors must enter through the church Main Entrance or school Main Entrance.
- All visitors must obtain a visitor badge upon arrival and be escorted by staff. Church members, CCS parents and WEE School parents can be unescorted after check in.
- On Wednesday evenings during Midweek, there are multiple entrance points until 6:30pm, at which time everyone must enter through the Main Entrance. NOTE: the Student Auditorium doors are staffed and open till 7:00pm.

### October is Pastor Appreciation Month

Carmel's Personnel Committee encourages the Carmel Family to send an email or card to a pastor or ministry leader who serves you or your family. The Committee, on behalf of the church, will host an appreciation breakfast for our Lead and Ministerial Team members. but a sincere word of appreciation is a meaningful way to encourage those who lead and serve at Carmel. Find their email addresses at [carmelbaptist.org/leadership-team/](http://carmelbaptist.org/leadership-team/).

## Invitations from Carmel Christian School

Challenging the mind. Nourishing the spirit.

*"Let the wise listen and add to their learning..." Proverbs 1:5*



## Admission Open Houses

October 25 & November 7, Grades K-12, 9:30 am

November 16, Grades 9-12, 6:30 pm

**Carmel Christian** school

Serving 940+ Students Grades K-12  
[carmelchristian.org](http://carmelchristian.org)

CARMEL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL MIDDLE SCHOOL PRESENTS



October 13 & 14 • 7:00 PM

TICKETS: [CARMELCHRISTIAN.ORG](http://CARMELCHRISTIAN.ORG)



# NEIGHBORS

## Invitation to Disaster Relief

Interested in joining a disaster relief team? Let us know by emailing [neighbors@carmelbaptist.org](mailto:neighbors@carmelbaptist.org). A team from Carmel is being mobilized to depart Sunday, October 8 to serve the hard-hit, economically disadvantaged area of Nederland, a Texas coastal town. Additional trips are also being planned. We are actively working with the North Carolina Baptist Disaster Relief Team regarding efforts and opportunities in the coming months to serve in the Caribbean.



*"My message to the church: Go. Step out of your routine, break away from busy things to do more important things. Be a light to the world through blessing others. Be blessed in the process and be transformed. And be prepared to weep with the joy of the Lord. Who knows? You may find you really love stretching out of your comfort zone. :)"*

-Rob Z, Florida Disaster Relief Team

## CARMEL SERVE

**November 2 -5  
Sign Up NOW**

Calling ALL Discipleship Communities, families and individuals! Don't miss this weekend as we come together as a church body and serve alongside our ministry partners!

**Visit [carmelbaptist.org/carmelservice](http://carmelbaptist.org/carmelservice) to view volunteer opportunities and sign up!**

**OCT  
28**

## Nonprofit Leadership Summit

**Interested in or currently serving on a nonprofit board?**

Spend the morning of Saturday, October 28 at Carmel to get equipped to lead strategically from speakers Dr. Rod Cooper, Eric Pillmore, John Putnam, Kevin Cobb, Daniel Fogarty, David Johnson and Tony Marciano. Details and registration online at [carmelbaptist.org/for-charlotte](http://carmelbaptist.org/for-charlotte).

## Evening of Empowerment

**Thursday, November 9  
7:00-9:00pm**

Carmel Student Center Auditorium

Christmas is quickly approaching. Come purchase with a purpose! All women (13 years & older) are invited to an evening of stories, sweets and shopping focused on and benefiting women overcoming poverty and trafficking. Anna Hampton, author and mom who spent a decade living and working in Afghanistan, is our guest speaker.

**Register at [carmelbaptist.org/evening-of-empowerment](http://carmelbaptist.org/evening-of-empowerment)**

# NATIONS

## Disciple Maker Headed to Thailand

Alyssa Miller has called Carmel home for almost 5 years, but last month she left Carmel to head to Thailand.

### My Story

I grew up in the church, however it wasn't until May of 2013, when I moved to Charlotte and joined a discipleship community that **I was challenged to look at my relationship with Christ and make my faith my own.** God led me to begin a weekly Bible study and then called me to use my passions of sports and kids to glorify Himself. He provided an opportunity through a Carmel mission trip to Ukraine in 2015 to help at a sports camp for kids. **I returned from Ukraine**

**forever changed.** God was working in my heart to put a fire in me to reach those who had not yet heard of the love of our Savior, Jesus. It was encouraging to be attending a Church that is so passionate about missions as can be seen through our "nearest, neighbors, and nations" mission statement. July 2016, I went to Ethiopia with Sports Friends for two weeks to help with their sports camps. While there, God clearly revealed to me my future, telling me, "this is what you were created to do." **God prepared me to move to Thailand to put into practice the mission He placed in my heart.**



### Ministry through Sports + Church Planting

I have moved to Thailand to serve with Charlotte-based SIM, specifically in their **Sports Friends** (a ministry of SIM). Sports Friends stimulates a vision for **local churches to use sports** as a platform for reaching youth with the gospel. Sports provide a natural environment for discussing character issues and life lessons like self-control, honesty, teamwork, etc. These conversations often transition to the truths of the Bible. Sports Friends comes alongside local churches to train Christian leaders to coach, live, lead, and minister for the glory of God. Once each leader completes training, they go into communities to form youth sports teams. The relationship between a player and coach is powerful and transformative. It is through this relationship that a coach can demonstrate God's love and impact the lives of youth for eternity. **There is currently no formal girls sport ministry in Bangkok so I have the opportunity to help create and lead this program,** and then connect participants to the local church.

### My Prayer Requests

- Please pray for **encouragement for the Sports Friends Team in Thailand** as the missionaries work to break down spiritual barriers.
- Please pray that **the Thai youth** would experience and embrace the transforming grace, truth, and love of Jesus Christ
- Please pray that **I find a strong community of believers** who will be able to provide stability in this time of transition

To receive updates and prayer requests from Alyssa, email [alyssa.miller@sim.org](mailto:alyssa.miller@sim.org)

### Short Term Mission Trip Luncheon

Get a sneak peek at upcoming mission trips, ask questions, and get connected to trip leaders.

RSVP at [carmelbaptist.org](http://carmelbaptist.org)

**Sunday, Oct 29, 12:30 - 2:00pm**



"Bin" Lookin' for an Opportunity to be Generous?!

# Carmel COLLECTIONS Live Generously



New bins – built by our friends at Beds for Kids and placed along the Neighbor's wall – will facilitate month-long collections of needed supplies for local ministry partners and ongoing collections of nonperishable foods for the Christian foodbank Loaves & Fishes (which has a distribution site at a local ministry partner) and clothing for various partners.



This month, we are gathering these needed supplies for  
The Pregnancy Resource Center:



Large Baby Blankets  
Diapers – Size 1 or 2 (32 count)  
Wipes  
Infant Body Wash, Shampoo, Lotion  
Receiving Blankets  
Bib

Pacifiers  
Baby Hats  
Baby Socks  
Infant Sleepers  
Baby Outfits (on hangers if possible)

Interested in getting involved with the work Carmel is doing with local ministry partners?  
Email [neighbors@carmelbaptist.org](mailto:neighbors@carmelbaptist.org).

## Thank You Pastor Alex!



We thank God for His faithfulness and provision in sending Pastor Alex to Carmel 5 years ago. We have seen, in so many ways, how God answered our prayers in, and through, Pastor Alex and his family. Thank you for always speaking His truth, desiring our transformation and caring about our individual growth. We can say with grateful hearts that "As a result of your ministry, they will give glory to God. For your generosity to them and to all believers will prove that you are obedient to the Good News of Christ. And they will pray for you with deep affection because of the overflowing grace God has given to you." (from 2 Corinthians 9:13-14).

Today, we take this opportunity to pray this blessing from Numbers 6:24-26 over you: "The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace."

**Send Pastor Alex a  
THANK YOU!**

Email him at  
[pastor@carmelbaptist.org](mailto:pastor@carmelbaptist.org)

# praises



Welcome  
New Members to the Carmel Family!

The September 2017 New Member Class included: Aynn Erickson, Nick & Denielle Headley, Micah & Danielle Freeman, Travis & Emily Bucholtz, Scott & Whitney Peters, John & Melody Hogan, Leeta Kang, Jeff & Amy Hill, Craig & Rhonda McCall, Vincent & Michelle Caponi, Charlene Thomas, Tim & Meagan Beldner, Bob & Becky Meisel, Craig & Jennifer Bartlett, Ashlyn Bartlett, Andrew Bartlett, and Lee Ann Edmiston.

If you'd like to explore membership at Carmel, stop by *The Porch* on Sunday mornings or email Josh Fairbaugh at [joshf@carmelbaptist.org](mailto:joshf@carmelbaptist.org)

## Disaster Response Update

As of September 25, \$33,522.03 has been given to the Carmel Disaster Response Fund and 17 people have served on 4 teams in Texas and Florida.



## South End Praise

One year ago, Carmel collaborated with Church at Charlotte and Grace Covenant Church to reach the growing population of millennials living in the booming South End area of Charlotte! Justin Taylor - Carmel's former Young Adult Pastor - became the Outreach Pastor at Grace Covenant Church and has spent the past year focused on personal discipleship and relational outreach in South End. This has lead to a NEW Sunday evening service launched last month at Grace Covenant geared toward the South End community.

## Happy 45<sup>th</sup> WeeSchool!

The 2017-2018 school year marks 45 years of Carmel's Weekday Early Education (WEE) School serving our community through the discipleship and teaching of the next generation! We praise God for the almost 800 children who hear about the love of Christ each week from our team of over 150 WEE School teachers.





## Hello Preschool Families:

It was an honor to be able to share in the Milestone 1 celebration with you. Remember this special day always. The Preschool ministry is here to partner with you on this journey of discipleship. Proverbs 22:6, "Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it"

-Ms Rachel

Preschool Minister & WEE School Head of School

### Praise for Milestone 1:

Parent/Child Dedication

Our next Milestone 1 celebration will be held in February 2018. To learn more, email [cindib@carmelbaptist.org](mailto:cindib@carmelbaptist.org).



The following families participated in the Milestone 1: Parent/Child Dedication in September.

John & Diane Bach (Lydia & Maya)  
Sam & Charis Begley (Ava Marie)  
Lindsey & Josh Brown (Austin)  
Josh & Kelsey Elmore (Noah)  
Evan & Shelby Gentile (Whit)  
Tim & Olga Glukhoman (Colette)  
Erik & Hazel Haeuptle (Alek)

Randy & Mady LeBlanc (Norah)  
Matthew & Lindsay McNeely (Haines)  
Sarah & Scott Roux (Ethan)  
John & Jennifer Snyder (Augusta & John Prosper)  
Will & Nicole Tallent-Smith (Miles)  
Sean & Naomi Tipton (Sadie Claire)  
Roshan & Rachel Varghese (Fiona)

## Sunday Mornings - God's Growing Family

This month, Preschoolers will explore God's growing family from the book of Genesis. We'll visit a family "home" in Large Group Worship and learn more about Adam & Eve, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, and more. Together, we'll discover that God is our Loving Father and He has a good plan for all of our families!

## Midweek - The 10 Commandments

Preschoolers are learning God's Word. Not just stories, but literally about God's great book! So far we have learned that the Bible is special, contains 66 books inside and shares with us how God created everything. In October, Midweek Preschoolers will discover how the Bible gives us rules to follow...the 10 commandments.



## For Parents on Sundays at 11:00am

WEE Connect is a Sunday morning Discipleship Community for parents of preschoolers. Come make friends and learn more about God's plan for successful parenting beginning September 10 from 11:00 a.m. to noon in room D101 (across from the Preschool Welcome Desk). Pastor Jay Hancock, Carmel's Executive Pastor, will lead the class along with a team of others. Some of whom have preschoolers and others who have older children.



## Moms - Enjoy a Monthly Time Out!

Mom's Time Out is a first-Tuesday-of-the-month gathering that will encourage and equip you to thrive in this season.

Come for dinner, fellowship, mentoring and fun!

**Mark your calendar for  
Tuesdays, October 3, November  
7 and December 5.**

Learn more and sign up at  
[carmelbaptist.org/moms-time-out/](http://carmelbaptist.org/moms-time-out/)

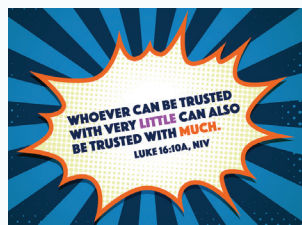
## Parenting is tough. Don't do it alone!

A "we" approach is better! Widen your circle for others to influence your child and allow them to be part of something bigger than just your family. A wider circle gives them a place to belong AND to experience the value of authentic community. That is why:

- Church matters
- CarmelKidz starts with **small groups** and ends with small groups.
- We ask parents to attend **Midweek Famjam** and join in our CarmelKidz **Round Table** discussions
- CarmelKidz leaders are called "**Another Voice**" who says the same things as parents do

-Sean

Children's Minister



### Midweek For Parents

Midweek - A Big Deal

This month's Midweek focus is **Stewardship**: **Taking care of what you have because it all belongs to God.** Imagine what would happen if we truly believed everything we own belongs to God. (Psalm 24:1) - our time, possessions and money?

**10/04:** Famjam

**10/11:** Midweek Family Night of Worship

**10/18:** Kidjam & Preteens + Parent Round Table (Stewardship)

**10/25:** Kidjam & Preteens + Parent Round Table (Moneywise Parenting)

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## firststep>>

### Have a CarmelKid Interested in Becoming a Christ Follower through Baptism? Come to FirstStep!

If you have a 1st - 6th grader who has expressed interest in salvation, becoming a Christ-Follower, or baptism, register now for FirstStep! This interactive, 4-week class offered in November on Sunday mornings is for both child and parent. Details and registration at [carmelbaptist.org/firststep](http://carmelbaptist.org/firststep).







## CARMEL STUDENTS



### Off to a Great Start!

On promotion Sunday (August 27) we welcomed students and leaders into the Student Center for Discipleship Community. Great energy and excitement.

Midweek on Wednesday nights is underway. Our current series **"Wanted or Worthy"** is all about where we find our worth and value. We have an incredible Savior that came to show us we are wanted and are made worthy through a relationship with Jesus. See you in the Student Center from 6:15-7:45pm. 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade.

NAV groups have begun. Over 140 students have committed to studying the book of John together Sunday evenings. Registration has closed but we open registration for our Winter/Spring semester in December.

-Ryan  
Student Pastor



## 7TH/8TH PANCAKES/DODGEBALL

SATURDAY, OCT 14 / 9-11AM / GYM

### Dodgeball/Pancakes

7th-8th Grade students/parents pancakes/dodgeball

**October 14**

9:00-11:00am. Auxillary Gym. Register online.



### High School Retreat - November 17 - 19

Students' lives are fast paced and always in motion. Jesus teaches us that hitting pause in the midst of our busy lives is crucial to staying connected with God. This weekend will be an opportunity for high school students to press pause and meet with God. We'll worship and study the Word, and have time to enjoy beautiful surroundings. We will also have some small group competitions that are sure to be a great time. Don't miss it!

**Register by November 8** at [carmelstudents.org](http://carmelstudents.org).

Location: Bonclarken Retreat Center in Flat Rock, NC

### Events

October 11 - Family Night of Worship

October 18 - Family Student Midweek. Parents come check out what the buzz is all about and join us for our Midweek service in the Student Center.

November 17-19 - High School Pause Retreat



### NEW Carmel Student Shirts Available

We have launched an all-new logo for Carmel Students. Stop by the cafe and pick up a shirt for just \$5 during Midweek.

**SOLA**  
**Scriptura**

Scripture Alone

**SOLA**  
**Gratia**

Grace Alone

**SOLA**  
**Fide**

Faith Alone

**SOLA**  
**Christus**

Christ Alone

**SOLA**  
**Deo Gloria**

For the Glory of  
God Alone

5 SOLAS

5 SOLAS

## DETOUR!

On Sundays from October 29 through November 26, Pastor Alex will pause his Root 66 series to celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation - a 16th century event that changed church history forever. The landmark moment occurred in October of 1517 when a monk named Martin Luther posted 95 theses on a church door in the university town of Wittenberg, Germany. Over time the "5 Solas" have come to identify the heartbeat of what the Reformation was all about. Together we will explore the "5 Solas" as they are just as important today as they were in the sixteenth century.

Let's commit to these five weeks of worship and study together.

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