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A PUBLICATION OF TAYLORS FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH



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**ENCOUNTER** GOD.  
**EQUIP** BELIEVERS.  
**ENGAGE** THE WORLD.  
**ESTABLISH** THE CHURCH.



## New Sunday Morning Schedule Coming August 21, 2022

We serve a wonderful Savior in Jesus Christ! He deserves nothing less than all our effort and strength to Change the World for His name. Change the World for Jesus! — Pastor Josh

### Band Led Worship

Life Groups: Nursery, Preschool, Elementary, and Adults

### Traditional Worship

Life Groups: Nursery, Preschool, Elementary, Students, College, and Adults

### Taylors Worship

Life Groups: Nursery, Preschool, Elementary, and Adults

WATCH FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS THIS SUMMER.



# SUNDAYS

[taylorsfbc.org/worship/services](http://taylorsfbc.org/worship/services)



**Traditional Worship: 9:00 am**

**Taylors Worship: 10:30 am**

**One Service at 10:00 am on July 3 and 31.**



## 9:00 am Classes

Nursery, Preschool, Elementary,  
Middle, High and College Students,  
Young Professionals, and Adults

## 10:30 am Classes

Nursery, Preschool, and Adults  
Kids Worship for Elementary — except for the  
first Sundays of the month

**Only Nursery and Preschool  
will meet on July 3 and 31 with  
one Worship Service at 10:00 am.**

**July 3 | 10:00 am**

## **One Service with Lord's Supper**

Nursery and Preschool Life Groups at 10:00 am  
No Other Life Groups will Meet

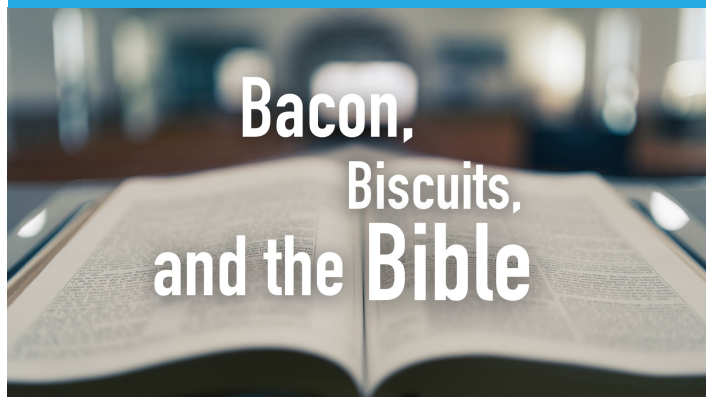
**July 31 | 10:00 am**

## **One Service**

Nursery and Preschool Life Groups at 10:00 am  
No Other Life Groups will Meet

# WEDNESDAYS

**Beginning June 29!**



Join us this summer on Wednesday mornings.  
Pastor Josh, Jerry Long, and Chris DeWease will  
lead us through the last words of Christ in John  
13-17.

Breakfast Served: 9:00 – 9:30 am\*  
Welcome/Connection Center

Bible Study: 9:30 -10:00 am  
Worship Center

\*Signup required for breakfast which includes  
Bacon, Biscuits, Pastry, Juice, and Coffee.

Sign up in the Church Center App or at  
[taylorsfbc.org/events](http://taylorsfbc.org/events).

# STAY CONNECTED

**What's Happening at Taylors**

## **Subscribe to Taylors FBC Emails**

Visit [taylorsfbc.org](http://taylorsfbc.org) and click "Subscribe"  
near the bottom of the homepage.

## **Download the Church Center App**

Google Play or The App Store.

## **Connect on Social Media**

@taylorsfbc | @taylorsstudents  
@taylorsclg | @taylorsrec  
@taylorswomen | @taylorschildren





Regeneration Student Choir and Taylors Students will be ministering at Lakewood Campground Resort in Myrtle Beach, SC.

Please pray:

- for each student, leader and the Lakewood Ministry team to be prepared spiritually and mentally.
- that God will open doors for us to share the Gospel of Christ openly and without fear.
- for traveling mercies and good health for all involved.
- that all logistical things will work out according to God's will.
- that lost people will be saved.
- that each student will grow in their faith and love for the Lord.
- that everything that we need will be provided.







## The Praise Team and Sermon on the Mound







What a blessing to have Dr. Albert Mohler and David Mathis with us for our first annual Equip Sunday! Also, we were so thankful to have 10 of Those Bookstore on campus and to see so many enjoying the opportunity to buy books in person.

Thank you to all of our leaders, teachers, and volunteers who faithfully serve to equip our Body that we might Change the World for Jesus!



## Shop our Online Bookstore!

We continue our partnership with "10 of Those" through our online bookstore curated with books from our Ministerial Team plus many more!



*Only \$1 Shipping!*









Taylors Women's purpose is to see each of our Taylors women become women living out the Word of God in today's culture. We are excited to share some updates about upcoming fall events and what our plans are for the coming year!

## *Mom to Mom*

has wrapped up for the summer after completing a wonderful and successful year. Around 40 members of Mom to Mom decided to continue meeting this Spring after the Mom to Mom study had concluded for the year. They wanted to delve deeper into God's Word and they chose the Bible study entitled "Seamless: Understanding the Bible as One Complete Story" by Angie Smith to do just that. Here are some comments from some of the women that participated in the study... as you will see, it was a hit!

"I have enjoyed this study immensely! I have been able to connect more of the OT to the events that occurred in the NT. This study has given me more of a passion to study the Bible more in depth. This study has made a huge difference in my life and how I view the Bible."

"I knew nothing about the Bible before this. This study has been life changing."

"Not only did I enjoy understanding the Bible as one complete story, but I've really enjoyed the community and fellowship with Moms and ladies in all walks of life."

Mom to Mom looks forward to another year beginning September 14. Mom to Mom is a Bible Study created around the idea of moms reaching out to other moms, creating relationships between moms and mentor moms while studying God's word together. Come join us for a new year as we study the book, *Heart Talk on What Really Matters* by Linda Anderson.

## *Women in the Word*

will also be returning in the fall, beginning September 13 and 14 with a Tuesday night meeting time and a Wednesday morning meeting time. This fall we will be diving into *Spiritual Delights*.

Signups will open this summer!



Mark your calendar for our *Cultivate* event at 6:30 pm on August 30!

Join us as we look at and answer three very important questions: What does it look like to live rooted in Christ? How can digging into Scripture help you bloom? And what needs to be pruned to help you flourish?

We are excited to share an evening of uplifting community as we enjoy dinner together and hear from a panel of our ministers' wives. Come and learn about opportunities Taylors FBC has to study the Word, build community, and grow in your faith.

Register for Cultivate today in the Church Center App or at [taylorsfbc.org/events](http://taylorsfbc.org/events). Doors will open at 6:00 pm and childcare will be available with registration.





# LOVE TAYLORS *Partner*

## Refuge Sports

"Throughout history there have always been displaced peoples, refugees, and aliens in foreign lands. God commands his people: 'Do not mistreat an alien or oppress him. . .'" Exodus 22:21. "When an alien lives in your land, do not mistreat him. . . Love him as yourself. . ." Leviticus 19:33-34. These commands are among God's laws for justice, mercy, social responsibility, and protection of the weak. Ideals America has always stood for, but to our shame we have not always carried out.

"The Lord watches over the foreigner." Psalms 146:9 "God defends the cause of the fatherless and the widow, and loves the alien, giving him food and clothing. And you are to love those who are aliens." Deuteronomy 10:18-19. "As Christ's ambassadors, God surely expects His church to advocate and minister to His concerns – whether to the widow and orphan, or to the foreigner." – Refugesports.org

Refuge Sports is just one way Taylors FBC partners with the lowly and represents Christ to the least of these. There have been two recent events when Taylors FBC has partnered with Refuge Sports to impact the lives of these young children.

Upstate Fun Day was an activity that was held at the Taylors Rec Picnic Shelter. The event is designed for upstate refugee families. We had a fun filled day of games and activities along with some delicious ice cream! The event was a great opportunity for us to serve the families and offer a time of fellowship.



**Love Taylors is what we do at Taylors FBC for our community —  
we serve our neighbors, build on-going relationships, and share the love Jesus.**





## Our second annual Grill it & Kick it evening for Moms and Sons!

The event centers around creating a time for moms and sons to have a fun night outside together. We grilled out, played kickball and ended the night with a water balloon fight. We are so thankful to everyone who came and hope to see even more of you next year!







## GUEST SERVICES SPOTLIGHT

### **We are thankful for our Shuttle Team!**

Thank you, Fred Bryan, team leader, Andy Farr, Barry Templeton, Dennis Tonnsen, Kaleb Ross, Michael Bishop, Robert Knepp, Rodger Arledge, Roger Newton, and Scott Barnes, for faithfully serving our church body and Christ, with joy each Sunday! We are so glad to have each of your smiling and friendly faces welcome our guests to Taylors FBC each week!



Pray for the children and leaders at the Very Best Summer, June 6 - 9, as they learn from the Book of Acts!



Pray for students and leaders as they are at FUGE the week of July 18. Pray they will see that they are God's masterpiece and learn how that impacts their lives!



# OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Celebrate new members, anniversaries, stewardship, and more.

## Welcome New Members

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**Denise Schure**  
Joined May 1, 2022  
By Letter



**Jerry and Mary Edwards**  
Joined May 1, 2022  
By Letter



**John and Linda Pattillo**  
Joined May 1, 2022  
By Letter



**Keri Hunt**  
Joined May 1, 2022  
By Letter



**Rich and Libby Vaughan**  
Joined May 1, 2022  
By Statement



**Michael Whitesel**  
Joined May 1, 2022  
By Letter



**Nicolas Alvarez**  
Joined May 1, 2022  
By Statement



**Shirley Atkins**  
Joined May 1, 2022  
By Statement



**Wendy Williams**  
Joined May 1, 2022  
By Statement



**Daniel Chelbezan**  
Joined May 8, 2022  
By Statement



**Zach and Jessica Penn**  
Joined May 8, 2022  
By Statement



**Katie Vanderkooi**  
Joined May 8, 2022  
By Letter



**Marah Wise**  
Joined May 8, 2022  
By Statement



**Chris and Laura DeWease**  
**Hannah Kate**  
Joined May 22, 2022  
By Letter  
Also Pictured: William



## In Memoriam

Donald Krause

March 25, 1939 - May 3, 2022

## Stewardship

### APRIL

#### Month to Date

Budget Receipts: \$452,021

Actual Receipts: \$470,481

Actual Spent: \$461,683

#### Year to Date

Budget Receipts: \$1,808,083

Actual Receipts: \$1,572,505

Actual Spent: \$1,674,297

## Ways to Give

Give in the Church Center App or at [taylorsfbc.org/give](https://taylorsfbc.org/give).

During the week, bring or mail your tithe or offering to the Church Office.

On Sundays and Wednesdays, place your contribution in one of the Giving Boxes or in the basket as you exit the Worship Center on Sunday.

## Sunday Statistics

	5/1	5/8	5/15	5/22	5/29
Nursery.....	50	51	45	48	46
Preschool.....	66	64	48	62	63
Elementary .....	58	66	73	69	64
Students .....	103	89	71	84	72
College.....	31	17	7	0	36
Adults .....	660	503	594	585	580
Life Group					
Total .....	1,062	896	941	945	865
Morning					
Worship* .....	1,391	1,325	1,181	1,285	1,168

\*Includes online attendance

## Staff Anniversaries

### JUNE

Kevin Batson — 14 years of service

Dick Kay — 5 years of service

Kay Lumpkin — 5 years of service

Lisa McGill — 5 years of service

Amanda McKenna — 5 years of service

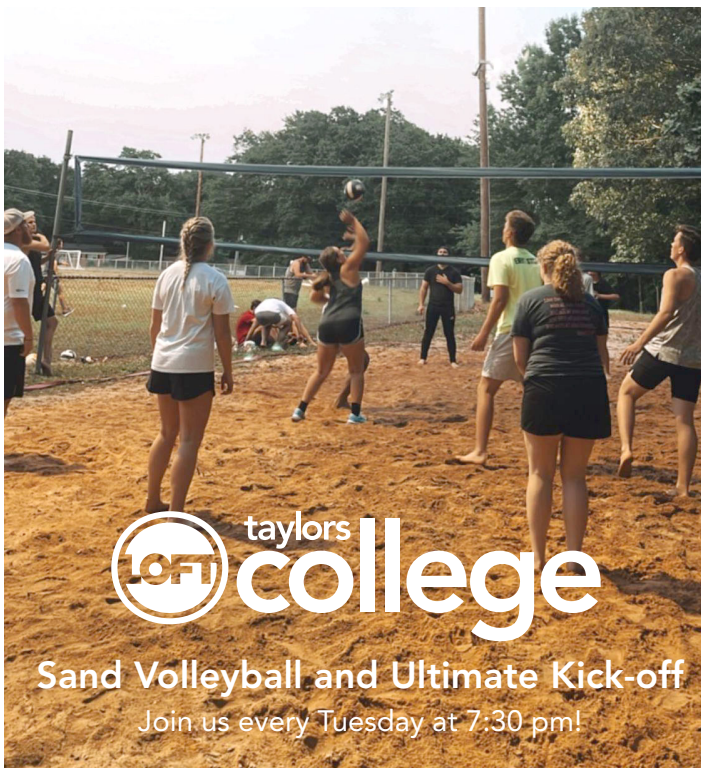
Kaitlyn Ross — 4 years of service

### JULY

Alex Smith — 4 years of service

Josh Duncan — 3 years of service

Beverly Vest — 8 years of service







# Southern Baptist Convention

Annual Meeting: June 14-15, 2022

Anaheim Convention Center, Anaheim, CA

There will be over one-hundred ancillary meetings, events, and gatherings throughout the week connecting leaders and laypersons from around the country to be encouraged, equipped and mobilized for Kingdom work. This meeting consists of representatives or “messengers” from cooperating churches, who gather to confer and determine the programs, policies, and budget of the Convention. Taylors FBC is allowed to be represented by twelve messengers. Those messengers (members) must be sent by and registered through our church.

If you have questions, please call the Church Office.

## Welcome our Executive Pastor



**Chris DeWease** was born in Greenville and grew up in the upstate of South Carolina. He is a graduate of North Greenville University and attended The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Chris was ordained at Marietta First Baptist Church in 2001. After college, Chris worked as a manufacturing manager for Milliken & Company. He has planted Spanish language churches in Marietta, SC, and Louisville, KY. He returned to South Carolina to serve as Senior Pastor at Blue Ridge Baptist Church in Greer. Before joining the Taylors First Baptist pastoral staff, Chris served as Executive Pastor at Lake Murray Baptist, Lexington, South Carolina.

Chris and his wife Laura were married in 1999 and have two children, Hannah Kate and William. Chris has a passion for strengthening relationships within the body of Christ, stewarding church resources to develop disciples with a desire to be engaged in missional living.

*What a blessing it is to be a part of the wonderful things the Lord is doing here at Taylors First Baptist Church. Our family is excited and thankful that you have called us to serve with you. I want to thank you personally for the hospitality shown to us as we transition to the church. My family and I are moving from Lexington, South Carolina, hoping to make our home in the Travelers Rest area. My wife and children will finish the school year and move to join me here very soon. We have already begun attending worship gatherings on Sunday, and we are looking forward to being part of the many ministries here at Taylors FBC.*

*I am thankful to use my financial, personnel, facilities, and administration ministry gifting in the role of Executive Pastor. I am grateful for the warm welcome that the support, ministry, and pastoral team have shown me. If you ever have any needs, please do not hesitate to reach out to me. My family and I are looking forward to meeting everyone and serving together to accomplish much for Christ here at Taylors FBC. — Chris DeWease*





# EVENTS AT TAYLORS

Sign up at [taylorsfbc.org/events](https://taylorsfbc.org/events) or in the Church Center App.



## XYZ Fellowship

June 13 | 11:15 am

"Xtra Years of Zest" meets monthly for fellowship, entertainment and lunch. The June meeting features volcalist, Lyn Westafer, with pork loin for lunch. Sign up by June 8! XYZ will not meet in July.



## Sand Volleyball and Ultimate

Every Tuesday at 7:30 pm

## Greenville Drive

June 12 | 3:05 pm | \$12  
Signup required!

## Day Hike to Triple Falls

July 10 after Worship  
Signup required!

## Unofficial Disc Golf Tournament

July 21 | Watch for Details



## Summer Picnic

June 11 | 4:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Taylors Rec Picnic Shelter

Join us for BBQ pulled pork and chicken, mac and cheese, baked beans, rolls, and drinks.

Cost: \$6

Sign up by June 8!

# PINE COVE CITY



## Day Camp

June 27 - July 1

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

For children who have completed  
K5 through 5th Grade  
Sign up in the Church Center App  
or at [taylorsfbc.org/events](https://taylorsfbc.org/events)

We have 25% off scholarships!  
We also need 1 volunteer nurse and 2  
host homes for the camp counselors.  
Contact [children@taylorsfbc.org](mailto:children@taylorsfbc.org)





**Tumble Weekly Classes**  
Wednesdays, June 15 - 29 | \$25

**Dance Weekly Classes**  
Thursdays, June 9 - 23, or July 7 - 21 | \$25

**Dance Camps**  
June 10 or August 4 | \$25

**Tumbling Camp**  
July 11, July 18, or July 25 | \$25

**Grant Harrelson Basketball Camp**  
July 11-14 | \$95

**Cheer Camp**  
July 13 | \$25

## KIDS CLUB ADVENTURE DAYS

TAYLORS REC PICNIC SHELTER



Little adventurers, 5 years old through 5th grade, are invited to join us for outdoor fun and learning! Treasure trail, outdoor crafts, games, STEM activities and more; all with a focus on Christ!

June 14, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

July 6, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

August 9, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Cost is \$10 per Camper



## JUNE AND JULY Group Fitness Class Schedule

### MONDAY

**Cardio Mix**  
9:15 - 10:00 am

**Pilates**  
10:00 - 11:00 am

**Stretch & Tone**  
11:15 - 11:45 am

**Beginner  
Line Dance**  
6:00 - 6:30 pm

**Advanced  
Line Dance**  
6:30 - 7:00 pm

**Simple Yoga**  
7:00 - 7:45 pm

### TUESDAY

**Strength  
Training**  
9:15 - 10:00 am

**Cardio Mix**  
10:00 - 10:45 am

**Stretch Class**  
11:30 am - 12:00 pm

**Boot Camp**  
5:30 - 6:30 pm

**Zumba**  
7:00 - 8:00 pm

### WEDNESDAY

**Yoga**  
9:15 - 10:15 am

**Beginning  
Line Dance**  
10:30 - 11:00 am

**Advanced  
Line Dance**  
11:00 - 11:30 am

**Stretch & Tone**  
11:30 am - 12:00 pm

### THURDAY

**Low Impact  
Interval**  
9:15 - 10:00 am

**Pilates**  
10:00 - 11:00 am

**Boot Camp**  
5:30 - 6:30 pm

**Zumba**  
7:00 - 8:00 pm

### FRIDAY

**Strength  
Training**  
9:15 - 10:00 am

**Pilates**  
10:00 - 11:00 am

**Stretch & Tone**  
11:15 - 11:55 am

### SATURDAY

**Zumba**  
10:00 - 11:00 am