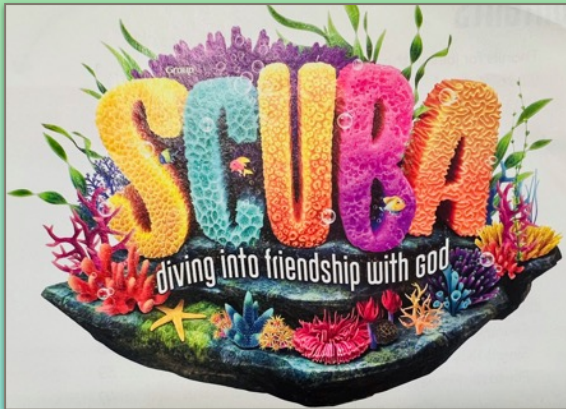


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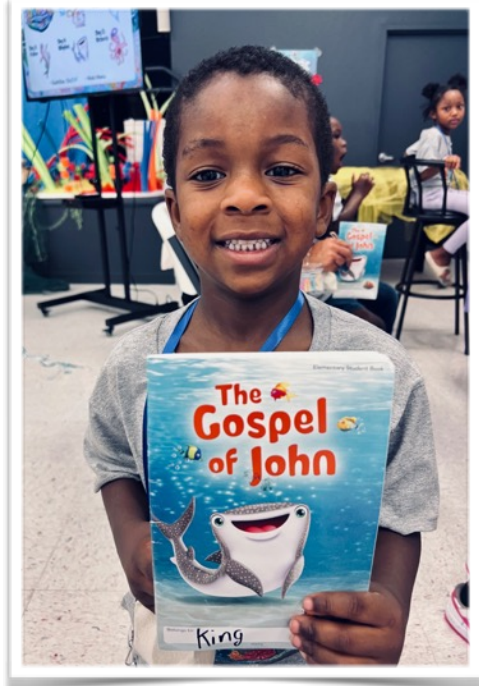
A Recap On Vacation Bible School at Crossroad Baptist



We want to thank Crossroad Baptist Church for hosting our kids at their Vacation Bible School SCUBA; it was a huge success, well organized, and such a blessing to our kids. We had approximately fifteen to twenty kids attend each day. We provided meals and transportation. This VBS (Vacation Bible School) took us on an underwater adventure as we dove into the Gospel of John. The children rotated through learning stations throughout the day.

The first station I would like to highlight was Deep Bible Dive, where the kids were invited to use a flashlight to look inside the

tomb where Jesus was buried. The kids were then asked about their observation. They observed linens in an otherwise empty tomb. The question was raised: what happened to Jesus? One of our star students, J.J., answered that God raised him from the dead. Praise God! What fruit we are experiencing with these young disciples. It warms my heart and gives me such hope for the generations to come as this ministry, Christian Outreach Center, has poured the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ into these children.



Another station was the Imagination Station, where we learned that God is a forever friend. The kids did experiments to see what would sink or float in plain tap water. Then we did an experiment to see how much salt added to a glass of tap water would cause a chicken's egg to float. Five spoons of salt lifted the chicken's egg from the bottom of the glass. It was an object lesson that represented what God does in our lives when we allow Him to pour into us. God lifts us from the lowest of lows to the highest of heights.

There was also a station called Sticky Scripture, where kids were given scripture verses such as John 6:69, John 13:34, and John 14:27 to lock into their hearts. Our kids are very familiar with having a scripture station, as we have a memory verse every week; if they commit it to memory, they earn a small prize. **Psalm 119: 9,11: "How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your word... I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you".**



Lastly, the highlight of the entire event was the skit on the last day: Jesus Makes a Way. One of our kids, Skylar, held one end of a red streamer and the other end was rolled out for eternity. The streamer was torn into two pieces symbolizing the moment we die. Just when we had thought we had lost all hope for life everlasting, Jesus enters and standing in front of the cross, makes a way for the two pieces to be rejoined. This was a perfect visual that Jesus makes a way for us to have eternal life! The visual caused strong emotions within me, and I couldn't

help but shout out, "thank you Jesus"! Then the entire room began shouting, "Thank you Jesus"!

Following that heartfelt moment, we ended the day by turning on some worship music and "jamming with Jesus".

What a beautiful experience for the kids and our ministry leaders, but none of this would be possible without your partnership with Christian Outreach Center. Your generous donations allow us to reach these kids that would otherwise be lost to the culture, to the world, and to the enemy. It is our job as Christians to teach the commandments of the Lord to

our youth for generations to come, so that they will be blessed. **Deuteronomy 7:9 says, "Therefore, know that the Lord your God, He is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments".**

Thank you for your continued partnership, prayers, and commitment to the next generation. May you and yours be blessed mightily in the name of the Lord and may His mercy and grace shine abundantly in your life.

In Christ,

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