

Saluting This Summer's Servants And Superheroes

Solomon spoke of there being a time for nearly everything in Ecclesiastes chapter three. Summer is generally that short period when demands of time and "out-of-the-norm" scheduling can challenge us to know as to which way is up. With the kids out of school, vacations to take, and the craze of "attraction distractions," it is hard to find time to do the other things that we should do.

Church attendance in the local congregation is often something that gets a hit in the summer time. One Sunday can bring a great attendance, while the following Sunday can have the looks of a mass exodus. Living in a metropolitan area along with the season itself helps us to understand that things are going to be this way. Yet faithfulness to God never takes a holiday. Attendance to the worship assembly is of utmost importance. If you can not be at home, seek a sound congregation while you are away. Besides the spiritual blessings it continues to provide, the constant of faithfulness continues to send the message to our children and friends, that though our scheduling is turned upside down, our service to God is always the same. Jesus still says we are to seek the kingdom of heaven first, and then blessings will flow, Matthew 6:33.

What a blessing it is that though many are busy this time of year, there are still those that somehow or someway still find time to serve sacrificially. The Buford congregation has some great servants! The elders still meet, to plan, to go to the hospitals, and to hold their fingers on the spiritual pulse of the congregation. Others continue to teach their classes, find time to attend gospel meetings and find a way to be involved in the work to the best of their ability.

The summer's Vacation Bible School is a good example of this. The time and effort put into its organization and accomplishment is a time-consuming feat. But what a labor of love! The theme, "Superheroes Of Faith" was fitly seen in those who brought it about this year. Many thanks are extended to **Jason** and **Katie Obert** for the time and effort put forth to organize and execute one of the best Vacation Bible Schools ever. A couple of weeks ago, Jason reported in *Glad Tidings* a list of those who coordinated events, and thanking all those who volunteered to help. We heartily AMEN his sentiments, and express to everyone how much we appreciate all the hard work and efforts made. The attendance was great, the classes were full, the messages of God were presented, the people were made to feel welcomed, and the good name of the Lord's church shined brightly in the community.

Summer is moving by quickly. School is just around the corner. May the Lord's work continue to grow and bless us all!

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