



Fall 2021

VBC Homeschool Co-op

Our second year of co-op has been great so far! We have a few returning families, lots of new ones, and we've even had a few join after the semester started. Our enrollment is 18 families with 41 students, preschool through 9th grade.

Co-op meets on Tuesday mornings, from 9:00 am to 11:30 am. There are six classes, and each class has three subjects that vary depending on the age, including art, music, PE, Spanish, and life skills. Parents help in each of the classes, and some teach a class. Each day begins with an assembly in the Worship Room followed by a short Bible lesson given by Bro. Larry, then everyone goes to their class. This ministry has been a great way for Victory Baptist Church to serve our community, and we've had fun getting to know these families!





Have you heard about Victory Kids??? Our children's ministry here at Victory has undergone a lot of changes recently! We said goodbye to Bro. Josh as he and his family followed God's leading to Pampa, Texas. Along with Bro. Josh went POGO, so we became Victory Kids! With the start of the school year we began the Gospel



Project. The Gospel Project will take our kids through the entire Bible in three years, giving our students a solid foundation and understanding of the Scriptures. We also started AWANA on Wednesdays! AWANA focuses on child discipleship and has an emphasis on

Bible memorization. If you see one of our kids running around, stop them and ask them about one of their memory verses! We had a Nerf Battle Royale in October and it was AMAZING!!!

We're still learning and growing, but we are excited about the growth that is ahead of us. We still need more help in our children ministries, especially AWANA, so if you feel like you could be used in that way, please come and talk to me. Thank you Victory for loving and supporting our children!





They say a picture is worth a thousand words, but I say these might be worth a little more.

These pictures tell a story of a God whose love, mercy, and grace has brought together a group of students to know and love one another and how that relationship is centered on the collective study of His Word.

The smiles tell of the joy of the Lord that is present among them.

The setting tells of a faithful body of believers who are committed to investing in their young people and giving them a place to worship and grow together.

These pictures mean more than I can say, because they are of people who mean more than I can say.



CALL Mall: Children of Arkansas Loved for a Lifetime

The CALL Mall is overflowing with love and donations from so many! The mall has continually received donations of clothing and items for foster children every week! I am so, so, so ... *thankful* to you, Victory, and to the Sherwood/North of the River area everyday for being supportive of the many children who have gone through the foster system in Arkansas!

The CALL had its training at our church during the month of July. We were able to provide lunches and snacks, without a cost to the families going through training. Our church does that every year and will again next September.

The CALL also had an informational meeting at Victory for parents who were interested in becoming foster parents. That meeting was held in September and was attended by several families! We always provide snacks for those meetings held at our church.

The money that was raised from the Yard Sale has been used to continually provide new underclothing and socks for the foster children. A friend made the comment, "as a foster child we shouldn't expect them to wear used underclothing when we as adults wouldn't want to wear someone else's underclothing!" That may not be the exact quote from her, but it still has the same meaning. Gently used socks that "almost look new"



have been available; however, we continually provide new socks.

We are now in the process of our second annual Toy Drive for the Santa Shop at Victory for foster families to give as presents on Christmas. Thank you for your support in toys or money! The volunteers in the Mall this year have been wonderful!! We love you all!

WINGS: Women IN God's Service

On October 23, over 70 meals consisting of BBQ chicken sandwiches, chips, and homemade cookies were delivered to our Super Seniors!! Thanks to all who prepared the chicken and baked cookies. Also, thanks to Carolyn and Bob Hanks, Eula Broadway, Cathryn Bradley, Jeanette Morgan, Jennifer Key, Beverly Skarda, Peggy Hallmon, Joe Owen, Bob Pennington, Annette Pennington, and Carole George for delivering these meals. A special thank you to June Owen who created beautiful autumn bouquets for those in assisted living and rehab. Hearts were blessed with good food and sweet visits!!

Our Pumpkin Decorating contest was a great success! We had 31 entries from kindergarten through 6th Grade. Ada Swilley won 1st Place in the kindergarten—3rd grade category with her white unicorn pumpkin. The 4th—6th grade category was won by Abram and Lulu McGinty with their Genie from Aladdin pumpkin. Winners received a \$20 Sonic gift card and candy.

Thanks to your generosity, we were able to send \$900 to provide a Christmas party and gifts for approximately 40-50 community children to whom Bro. Kim and Sis. Janice Williams minister!



Victory at the Zoo

In October, Victory took a trip to the Memphis Zoo, and several families made the trek. Did they have fun? We'll let the pictures answer!



Zoo, continued



Fall Fest

Victory's Fall Fest returned this year and was another success! We started filling the Candy Can at the beginning of October, and thanks to your generosity, it was full by October 31 with plenty of candy to supply all stations. We had inflatables, s'mores, a hayride, hot dogs, and Trunk or Treat with lots of fun games!

One small hiccup was when the hayride trailer had a flat halfway through one of the trips. The ride was cut short as guests had to vacate the trailer while it was repaired. It was a successful repair, and the hayride was up and running in no time at all!

The community showed up to enjoy the activities, and everyone had a great time!



VicTurkey Day

VicTurkey Day is an event that many of us look forward to each year. We had a lot of fun again this year! The food was delicious (thanks to Blue Coast Burrito and Two Sisters Catering), and the games were entertaining! Many thanks to Bros. Matthew, Larry, and Jason for organizing and leading the games. The winners of the Minute to Win It games were Leslie Foreman, Konnor Ireland, and Josh and Amanda Thomas. After a couple of tie-breaker questions, Team 2 won the Trivia Contest. Thanks to all those who were willing to participate for our entertainment!



New Members!

If you haven't met our newest members, be sure to look for them and welcome them to Victory!

John and Misty Greer join us by letter (Misty is Sandie Smith's daughter).

Debbie Waldrop joins us by baptism. She has been coming with her husband, Terry, who has been a member for several years.

MiKayla Trueman and Ada Swilley will both be baptized soon!



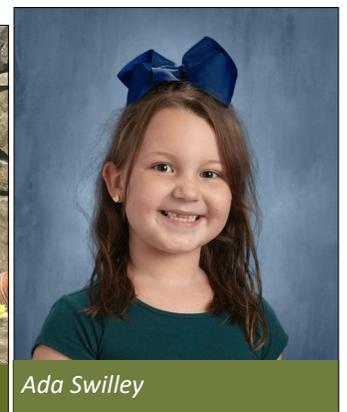
John and Misty Greer



Terry and Debbie Waldrop



MiKayla (KK) Trueman



Ada Swilley

RIM: Remote Island Ministries

After cancelling their trip to the states in 2020, Glen, Summer, and Juli were able to reschedule their visit for Summer 2021. We were glad to see them, and they were thankful to see many family and friends while here. Their trip home, which was expected to take a day and a half, actually took six days because of cancellations and rescheduling. However, they made it back to Palau safely and in good health!

Just before Thanksgiving, a container shipment arrived in the port of Koror for RIM, and it was unloaded directly onto the *Nativa*. Many thanks to those who provided these items for RIM's ministry! And, thanks to Worldwide Literature and Missionary Supply of Calvary MBC in Hamburg for shipping this and many other containers to RIM over the years! Their help has been invaluable to RIM's outreach!

Bro. Glen is planning a trip to West Papua, Indonesia before Christmas. While there, the damages the *Nativa* sustained to her hull in the April typhoon will be repaired. This will be the first time for the *Nativa* to cross the equator. They are looking forward to ministering in new areas in the southern hemisphere! Bro. Glen and Summer's children and grandchildren, Brent and Tammi, Huddy and Mila, plan to meet the *Nativa* in Indonesia in January. Please pray for health and safety during their travels!

To learn more about RIM's ministry, you can follow Glen Knight on Facebook. Bro. Glen also publishes a newsletter every two months, and you can find it on our website, victory1st.com, under the "Missions" tab.





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MDO: Mother's Day Out

Our Mother's Day Out program is still growing and thriving! In the last month we have enrolled four more students, bringing our total number of students to 30. We now have two teachers in our nursery, one-year-old room, and two-year-old room. This has allowed our director, Amanda Thomas, time to lead music and movement for each class or be a sub when extra teachers are out.

Thanks to Debbie and Jeff Lemaire our kids had several cute Thanksgiving crafts, and we have several Christmas crafts on their way!

We also have a Christmas program planned for Thursday, December 9, at 6:00 pm where the children will sing a few songs and Bro. Larry will share a quick



Christmas message. We would love for all our church family to join us to show our support for our MDO program!

