



HIGH - FIVE SOCIETY

October Newsletter

LAST MONTH

Last month, our Moms Morning group kicked things off at Sanity Coffee, enjoying delicious brews and sharing stories for support. Later, we visited The Sweet Cocoon, where the kids had a fantastic time! Parents connected to discuss advocating for our children's needs and fostering a more inclusive community.

A big thank you to 4-Seasons Forestry Mulching Services LLC for donating a bouncy house, corn pit, popcorn machine, and cotton candy machine. The kids had an absolute blast!

THIS MONTH

- October 2nd- Moms Morning
- October 9th- Beyond Academics
with Brandi Tanner
meet.google.com/ooq-odse-wap
- October 15th- Boo Bash
605 Lynton Dr, Cedartown, GA 30125
- October 19th- Spooktacular Bash
144 Essex St, Cedartown, GA 30125
- October 31st- Recreational Department @ 605 Lynton Dr, Cedartown, GA 30125

Please fill out our Satisfaction Survey in the link below to let us know how we're doing!

<https://forms.gle/nJWCPSiURXp14z4y8>

NEXT MONTH

- November 7th- Moms Morning @ the Waffle House in Cedartown 10:00 am
- November 16th- Friendsgiving @ 12:00pm @ First Baptist in Cedartown

Donations are still needed!!
-LOTS of Halloween candy & fidgets
Donations can be dropped off in person or if you would like to make a monetary donation, you can do so by:
-Website: www.highfivesociety.org
-Check - written to High-Five Society, we can pick up or it can be mailed to High-Five Society, PO Box 161, Aragon, GA 30104

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REFLECTIONS



High-Five Society's Service Spotlight:

Victory Baptist Special Needs Children's Church

Victory Baptist is our pick for this month's Service Spotlight in our newsletter.

We chose them because of their amazing special needs Children's Church, which, to our knowledge, is the only one in the county. About a year ago after much prayer and planning, Victory Baptist Church Children's Ministry, the Lost and Found, added a special needs classroom for kids ages 3 to 5th grade to their 11AM Children's Church. Kristy Gober, Children's Ministry Director, says that there was such a need within the Children's Ministry for this classroom but we wanted anyone involved to feel led to be a part of this ministry. It didn't take long before the perfect volunteer stepped forward to assume the role of lead teacher in the Special Needs classroom. Ms Amanda Culberson is a Special Ed teacher by profession and was already working as a regular volunteer in the Sunday Morning Children's Church and as a Sunday School teacher. When Amanda volunteered to lead a Special Needs Children's Church Class, there was no denying, God was working on all hearts and minds. There were already kids attending who greatly benefited from the environment created and the class has grown since its inception.

Currently on an average Sunday morning, for the 11 AM service, the Special Needs Classroom has an average of about 5 students. These students have mild to moderate special needs and range in age from 3 years to 5th grade. They hear a lesson and then work on activities that reinforce that lesson. The classroom has sensory toys and spaces along with a calm down area and their own bathroom. Along with Ms. Amanda, another volunteer, Ms. Ashley, helps each Sunday so the kids have consistency. Ms. Addi and Ms. Jess substitute when needed.

Ms. Kristy notes that "as with most organizations and ministries that depend heavily on volunteers, we would love to have more help in the classroom and so we could expand to add "buddies" for our students that are able to come into our group worship time."

High-Five Society's Service Spotlight: Victory Baptist Special Needs Children's Church Cont.

The classroom and program has been a work in progress. Right now the classroom is not equipped to handle severe and profound students but the prayer is to one day see God provide the space and the volunteer base needed to expand the ministry. Space is limited and therefore the number of kids they are able to accommodate is limited but there is a need in the community and the staff and volunteers are praying that God will provide a way.

Questions about the ministry can be directed to Kristy Gober by calling the church at 678-685-4570





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