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## INSIDE THE CLASSROOM

May 1st is designated as the National Day of Prayer! Let's keep all of our schools/students/teachers/parents lifted up in prayer. May those students that have participated, and are participating in CSM classes, become closer to our Lord Jesus Christ. Pray for students to finish well as the school year approaches it's end.

\*What a great last month it has been at **MBHS**! **Mr. Ellis** expressed his thankfulness for the providence of God, as students reached an understanding of Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection during the Easter season, which lead up to Resurrection Sunday! Most of his students had never heard the true meaning of Easter. This provided a great opportunity to be able to explain from the Scriptures what Easter is truly all about. "It was a great joy and blessing for all of us", exclaimed Mr. Ellis.

\***Mr. Spivey** and **Ms. Prunier** had **SJM's students** continue with their spring semester Connection Project, making Easter/Resurrection Day cards for the residents at Angel Oak. They enjoyed designing and choosing inspiring scripture for their cards.



1 Peter 1:3



John 11: 25—26



Matthew 28:6

After **SMS students** finished Lesson #31, "He is Risen", the Easter treats for students from a group of **Surfside Presbyterian ladies**, was even more meaningful. The students enjoyed the candy, Easter bookmark, and a special gift inside their "tombs." They also were treated with a guest speaker, Vince Variale, about a lesson on Maunday Thursday.



Mr. Variale teaching the class.

\*God has been moving in the hearts and lives of the students at **NMBM**! They had 23 professions of faith during the week of April 7th as they taught about the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus. This came at such a great time as lessons were zeroing in on Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. A mom of one of the CSM 6th grade students called the school wanting to speak to **Ms. Plummer**. She wanted to share that she had seen changes in her son's life since he's been in Bible class. She was so thankful he was able to take the class this semester and asked if she could send a picture of him kneeling to pray on the baseball field.



# INSIDE THE CLASSROOM cont.

\*At **Loris Middle, Mr. Stanley and Mr. Lane**, broke down the Lord's Prayer for students. They broke the prayer into 3 parts; Asking for what God wants, Asking for what we need, and Asking for what we want. Afterwards the students took the time to write their own prayers. This helped students to connect with the Lord who already knows their hearts. Some of their prayers that they shared were as follows:

- "I will be praying for you (Jesus) and the things you have been through. **Reese**
- "My friend is only making decisions now on what will make him 'cooler' not what will make him *look* 'cooler' in Your eyes." **Male student**
- "I want to be forever with you Lord and deliver me from evil." **Annslee**

Mr. Lane expressed that "Its not often that we pray as Reese did, concerned for what Jesus went through on the cross. And our hearts should always be asking for how we can be 'cooler' in God's eyes. Above all, we should value God and want to enjoy him forever!" These young student showed such thoughtfulness and wisdom in their prayers.

\* **Aynor Middle** was also at the point in their lessons of discussing the crucifixion of Jesus. **Ms. Skipper, Ms. Hughes and Ms. Fowler**, in each of their classes had students hold out their arms as long as they could, just to get a small glimpse of what Jesus had to endure. The next day they gave students the opportunity to nail any doubts, fears, pain, sin, commitments, etc.to the cross. Many students at that time prayed and surrendered their lives to Christ!. One seventh grade student had expressed, "I thought I knew most of the Bible, but ya'll taught me so much more!"



## On Board



- As Randy Hilburn has stepped down as the Executive Director, the board has offered the position to Ali Williams, and she has accepted the position.
- A discussion of replacing the open position of Program Director took place.
- A Job Description of positions is being revised and will be submitted during the next meeting.
- A **CSM Gala is being planned for August 14** targeting the Grand Strand area.
- Randy Hilburn was presented with a Going Away Gift as his work with CSM has been much appreciated.
- **Coastal Charitable Classic Golf Tournament** will take place on **May 12**.
- As **May 1 is the National Day of Prayer**, please be in prayer for the following:
  - \* For the hiring of more teachers for next school year.
  - \* Many students have lost loved ones due to a variety of tragedies or have loved ones that are very ill.
  - \* For those students that have given their lives to Christ and that they will continue to be discipled.
  - \*For finishing strong as the school year is nearing the end.
  - \* For Ali in her new position and for a new Program Director.
  - \* For Randy at Salem Baptist church as Senior Pastor.



**"I Thank my God Every Time I Remember you." Philippians 1:3**

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- ♦ Thank you to the **SPC CSM Helpers** for the student's Easter gifts and treats.
- ♦ Thank you to **Haley Gaskins and the youth group from North Strand Community Church** for putting together some school supplies for our students. Thank you, Haley, for coming out to spend the school day with us and sharing.
- ♦ Thank you to **Wampee UMC** for providing snacks for our NMBM-students!



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