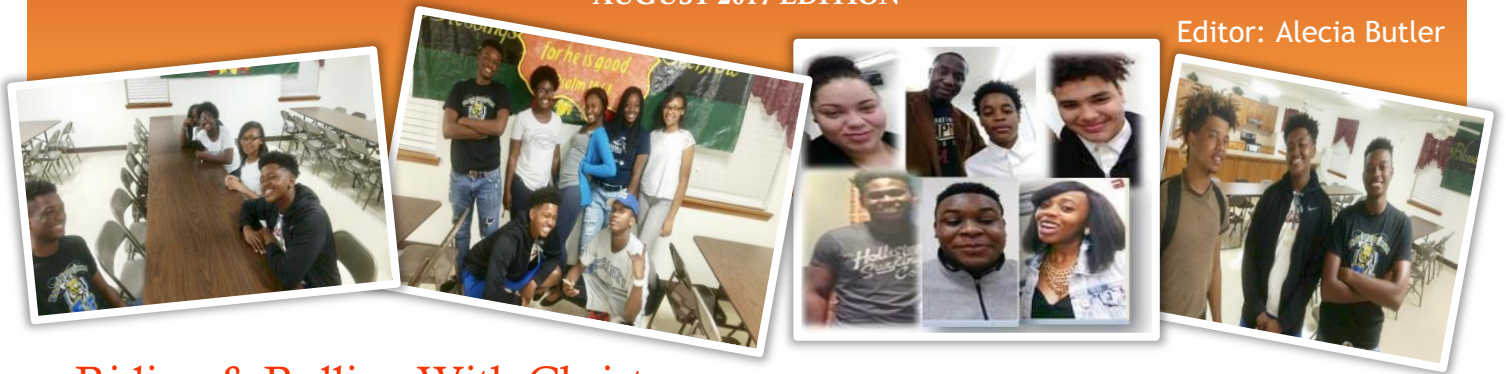


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Riding & Rolling With Christ

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Bright and early Thursday, July 27, 2017, Mt. Gideon Baptist Church youth boarded the bus to enjoy a fun filled trip in Arlington, Texas. On day one, our first adventure after arriving safely and checking in our hotel was a visit to The Parks Mall at Arlington. The mall was great! The mall features more than 180 stores, 25 restaurants and eateries, an ice ring, movie theater, and arcade. If you're ever in the area, check it out!

On Friday, day two, we loaded the bus with excitement for a fun adventure to Six Flags. We all had on our matching green church shirts. We were more than eager to conquer all the rides. After we entered the front gate, we put on sunscreen gearing up for a hot, hot, hot day. Temperatures were over 100 degrees but it was well worth the heat. The wait time for most of the rides and food was less than 30 minutes. There is something for everyone to do. The juniors/teens enjoyed the big roller coasters and thrill rides while the preschoolers/primary ages had fun on rides like the mini coaster, ferris wheel, swings, teacups and many others.

Saturday, day three, we ventured over to Hurricane Harbor to chill and cool down from the hot sizzling Texas sun. We did not hesitate to float down the lazy river while others hit the slides or took a splash in the wave pool. For the next 5 hours, we enjoyed ice cold lemonade, rainbow snow cones, soaking up some Vitamin D while stress, challenges, and peer pressures of life drift away. It was a stress free time without any worries. We fellowshiped with each other and had a great time riding, rolling, and floating with Jesus. We are taught to always keep Jesus at the center. "He is before all things, and in him all things hold together." Colossians 1:17 ESV

Sunday, day four, we checked out of the hotel at 10am and loaded the bus to depart. We stop in Marshall, Texas for a hearty meal at Golden Corral. We enjoyed the all you can eat buffet and our time of fellowship as we dined as a group. We arrived at the church around 7:15pm. Thank you God for our safe trip!

We, the youth of Mt. Gideon Baptist Church would like to thank Pastor Willis and our Church family for rewarding us with this opportunity to travel to Arlington, Texas. We are committed and encouraged to continue on the path of coming to Sunday school to learn and grow in knowledge and develop a close relationship with God. Thank you for the memories that will last forever and we are forever grateful. We love our Church and happy to have a wonderful devoted Pastor that believes in us and is shaping the future of the church in the youth of today.

