



VBS 2026 Prayer Guide

On June 8-12, Wayside Chapel will host Rainforest Falls — the summer VBS event that points kids to Jesus while exploring the nature of God! Here, kids will discover what it means to be rooted in relationship with their Creator, a safe place in life’s storms. We are preparing for a week full of faith discoveries, memorable music, and epic adventures that help kids grow their faith!

Our invitation to You:

Every year, it takes an abundance of volunteers in many different areas to host VBS. Developing a team of prayer warriors who will commit to praying for the needs of VBS on a daily basis is very important. Without the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit, we may have a great week of fun, but we won’t succeed in our goal of equipping these kids with the knowledge and understanding that our amazing God is all-powerful and faithful. If you are willing to be part of our prayer team, we invite you to use this Prayer Guide to pray for our team, as we work to complete every detail in the planning phase and every facet of the five days of VBS, June 8-12. Together, we can experience the blessings of God as He changes hearts and minds to know that our God is awesome and to trust Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

**“Give thanks to the Lord,
for he is good! His faithful
love endures forever.”**

(Psalm 136:1)

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Before VBS

- Please pray that the VBS Lead Team will have wisdom and unity as they plan and prepare:
- No detail will be overlooked during the planning phase; and that they will stay focused on God as their guide, their strength, and their provider in every
- aspect of the process.
- The team will stay focused and unified on God's plans and purposes as they seek His guidance in every aspect of the process.
- There will be an abundance of volunteers to meet the needs at all levels, especially crew guides.
- All VBS workers will depend on and be sensitive to the love and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Monday, June 8

Bible Point: God is our Creator. Wow, God!

Bible Story: God creates the world. (Genesis 1)

Key Verse: "Praise the Lord, everything He has created, everything in all His kingdom." (Psalm 103:22)

Bible Memory Buddy: Tango

Prayer Requests:

- All aspects of the first day will run smoothly
- Any group changes will be processed quickly
- Everyone leading and helping with VBS will be filled with joy and enthusiasm
- The children will be excited to come to VBS and will feel welcomed, included, and valued.
- God will protect the health and well-being of everyone involved with VBS, and each person will be able to attend every day.
- Children will encounter God's power and creativity when presented with the beautiful examples of His creation.
- The kids develop a compassion as they listen to the mission's moment each day about the needs of the families of the Yanasha people of Peru.



Tuesday, June 9

Bible Point: God knows everything. Wow, God!

Bible Story: David celebrates all God knows. (Ps. 139)

Key Verse: "O Lord, you have examined my heart and know everything about me." (Ps. 139:1)

Bible Memory Buddy: Seymour

Prayer Requests:



Seymour

- Arrival and dismissal will run smoothly.
- The Holy Spirit will lead in everything that is said and done - giving light, wisdom, flexibility, and joy.
- Volunteers will know God better and love Him more through their serving.
- Children will understand that God knows them by name and desires a relationship with them.
- As the children take part in daily assemblies, they will be excited about the music, the words, and the lessons they are learning about our wonderful and amazing God.
- The Bible lessons will be easy to understand each day.
- Leaders and helpers will be sensitive to the needs of each child.
- Children will be excited to share the Bible stories and truths with their family and friends when they get home each day.

Wednesday, June 10

Bible Point: God is our safe place. Wow, God!

Bible Story: David hides from Saul (I Sam 23-24)

Key Verse: "Then I pray to you, O Lord. I say, 'You are my place of refuge'." Ps. 142:5

Bible Memory Buddy: Dottie

Prayer Requests:



Dottie

- Each leader and helper will have joy and enthusiasm.
- God will give wisdom in presenting the Bible lessons and how to answer the children's questions.
- All of the stories, songs, activities, and snacks will help the children to learn and remember that God has very special plans for our lives. Even in challenging circumstances, God can be our refuge and safe place.
- The kids develop a compassion as they listen to the mission's moment each day about the needs of the families of the Yanasha people of Peru.
- Children will be excited about raising money towards scholarships for the El Camino school located in that community, and they will be encouraged to know how these gifts will impact the lives there.

Tia

Thursday, June 11

Bible Point: God is love. Wow, God!

Bible Story: Jesus dies and comes to life to show God's love. (Luke 22:39-24:12)

Key Verse: "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! His faithful love endures forever." (Ps 136:1)

Bible Memory Buddy: Tia

Prayer Requests:



- Each leader and helper will have joy and enthusiasm.
- God will give wisdom in presenting the Bible lessons and how to answer the children's questions.
- All of the stories, songs, activities, and snacks will help the children to learn and remember that God has very special plans for our lives. His merciful love made a way for us to be in relationship with Him and His faithful love is shown by His presence in our lives.
- God will give wisdom and discernment to those counseling the children who make salvation decisions.
- Carlos and Meredith Block, our Mission Partners to the Yanesha community in Peru, will cast the vision for the school to the children in an engaging way and families will be enthusiastic about partnering with them.

Friday, June 12

Bible Point: God is forever. Wow, God!

Bible Story: God gives John a vision of heaven. (Revelation 7:17; 21-22)

Key Verse: "But we can praise the Lord both now and forever! Praise the Lord!" (Psalm 115:18)

Bible Memory Buddy: Howie

Prayer Requests:



Howie

- Children will begin to understand who the Holy Spirit is and the power we receive when we trust in Jesus.
- Children will begin to understand that God has a special and beautiful plan for each one of His children; and that life is good when we trust God.
- God will give wisdom and discernment to those following up with children that came back to talk about the Gospel.
- Lives will be changed; children, volunteer, and the Yanesha community, according to God's plan.



After VBS

Prayer Requests:

- **God will help these children remember the Bible verses and God's promises for life.**
- **The new, young believers will have someone to help them to continue growing in the Lord.**
- **Unchurched families will desire to find a church home and grow in their faith.**
- **That families who visit Wayside because of VBS will feel welcomed; and that some will choose to become part of the Wayside family.**
- **Volunteers will sense God's pleasure with their efforts, and He will bless them.**
- **Lives will be changed according to Jesus' plan, and the children will be excited to trust Jesus everyday and in all of their circumstances.**
- **Volunteers will feel appreciated and desire to participate next year.**

Thank you for being a vital part of our VBS team. We know that God is faithful to answer our prayers in ways that we could never think of imagine, and we trust the Lord to continue to guide us and provide for the needs of these children and their families daily. We are grateful for your prayer support and pray that the Lord will bless you abundantly - and in ways that will remind you daily of His promises to you.



Wow, God!

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