

# *what's happening at* Feb & Mar 2005 **Kids 4 Christ**

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## **Kids 4 Christ is "Cool After School"**

On February 1, Kids 4 Christ launched "Cool After School," a new tutoring and homework assistance program for children. Taught by K4C volunteers and retired teachers, Cool After School is intended to be a supplement to the education being provided by the county school system - a weekly half hour of one-on-one instruction provided by K4C volunteers and retired teachers. A little bit of special help to get kids past any school subjects they have trouble with and help them be more successful students.

The program is limited only to children who regularly attend Kids 4 Christ activities on Wednesday nights. Cool After School is also limited, for now, to only the first dozen children who sent in their program applications. This is so the volunteers can get all of the smaller details of Cool After School worked out before expanding to include more children. After spring break in April more slots will open up and other children will have an opportunity to sign up for the Cool After School program. If you would like to get an application or more information about Cool After School, please call Kids 4 Christ at (706) 639 3234 or e-mail [info@k4c.info](mailto:info@k4c.info) .

# K4C Goes Back to Camp

This summer Kids 4 Christ will again be sending children to spend a week at Camp New Dawn. Five children from each class (Kindergarten and up) have the opportunity to go to camp free of charge by learning 26 “Alphabet” Bible verses. The kids were given a list of the verses during January and have been encouraged to study them each week so they can earn the camp trip. The children in each class will be competing against each other and the five in every class who learn the most will get to go to camp - this is so younger children do not have to unfairly compete against older children.

In mid-May the teachers of each class will determine which of their students have earned the camp trip. Then the winning kids can pick which camp session they want to attend. Children’s Camp will be held June 5-10 and is open for any child in kindergarten through 6th grade. Middle School Camp will be held June 12-17 and is open for any child in 6th through 9th grade (6th graders can pick the session they feel most comfortable with). Any child in kindergarten through 9th grade can alternately choose Soccer Camp, which will be held July 17-22.

Camp New Dawn is held at New Dawn Farm in the Cove Road area near Kensington. Regular camp activities include archery, horseback riding, hiking, crafts, sports, water games, camping, and much more. Brochures for the camp and “Alphabet” Bible verse sheets are available through Kids 4 Christ. Camp New Dawn can be contacted directly by calling (706) 539 2324 or e-mailing [campnewdawn@earthlink.net](mailto:campnewdawn@earthlink.net). Children who do not earn a Bible camp trip through the K4C competition can still go to camp, but K4C will not pay for their trip or provide transportation. Interested parents can work out those arrangements directly with Camp New Dawn.

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## Lost Items at K4C

During the last few months many coats, hats, toys, Bibles, and other personal items have been left at K4C. Now the Lost & Found box is running out of space and items left in it will be thrown out or given away if not claimed soon. If your child has misplaced something it may be in the K4C lost box, so remind your children to check in the box when they next attend.

Parents should write each child’s name inside coats and hats to reduce the chance of them being lost. Children should also be discouraged from bringing unnecessary or valuable personal items with them to class so that they are not accidentally lost, broken, or stolen during K4C activities. CD players, cell phones, and other similar items may be confiscated if they cause a distraction during class.

## Words of Wisdom

*“God blesses everyone who has wisdom and common sense. Wisdom is worth more than silver; it makes you much richer than gold. Wisdom is more valuable than precious jewels; nothing you want compares with her.”*

*-Proverbs 3:13-15 (CEV)*

*“My child, use common sense and sound judgment! Always keep them in mind. They will help you to live a long and beautiful life. You will walk safely and never stumble; you will rest without a worry and sleep soundly. So don’t be afraid of sudden disasters or storms that will strike those who are evil. You can be sure that the Lord will protect you from harm.”*

*-Proverbs 3:21-26 (CEV)*

## Parents Involved With K4C

### **Wednesday Night Menu** **February & March 2005**

February 2nd: Nachos  
*Provided by Mr. & Ms. Shirley*

February 9th: Pizza  
*Provided by Timothy M. Mason*

February 16th: Hotdogs  
*Provided by Center Grove Church*

February 23rd: Chili  
*Provided by Ms. Marilyn & First Baptist Church Sunday School*

March 2nd: Sloppy Joes  
*Provided by Antioch Church*

March 9th: Pizza  
*Provided by Ms. Andrea & First Baptist Church Sunday School*

March 16th: Hotdogs  
*Provided by Kids 4 Christ*

March 23rd: Surprise Meal  
*Provided by Ms. Marilyn & First Baptist Church Sunday School*

March 30th: Mac n Cheese  
*Provided by Mr. & Ms. Shirley*

Kids 4 Christ encourages you, as the guardian or parent of a regularly attending child, to stop by the K4C building and see what's going on. Regular activities held by K4C are not intended for adults, but adults are always welcome to sit in and see what's being taught during Bible class. And of course every parent is welcome to attend special activities or go along with K4C volunteers on reward trips.

Parents are also welcome to get directly involved with Kids 4 Christ by becoming volunteers themselves. Being a volunteer does not necessarily mean teaching a class - volunteers are needed to help fix food, be vehicle chaperones, help keep order during class, and even clean or do maintenance work during other times of the week.

All you have to do to become a volunteer is be willing to work, go through a brief interview process, and fill out an information sheet. (For safety some volunteers who work directly with children will be given background checks.)

For more information about becoming a K4C volunteer, please call (706) 639 3234 or see the K4C web site at [www.k4c.info](http://www.k4c.info).

### **Vehicle Policies**

To keep children safe, Kids 4 Christ has some specific policies regarding where and how they can be picked up or dropped off on Wednesdays. Please be aware of these rules:

- Children can only be picked up at a spot where a K4C vehicle normally stops: their own home or another location where pickups are regularly made. To have your child picked up at a new location, please call in advance (no later than 4:30 on a Wednesday).
- Any new child who wishes to attend must call in advance, be picked up in a place where K4C vehicles already go, or be dropped off by a parent.
- After class children can only be dropped off at their own home or the spot where they were picked up. If your child needs to be dropped off at a different location after class you should contact K4C in advance to set up that location.
- Parents, siblings, or other relatives who pick children up after class should wait until about 7:45 when the first three vehicle routes have been loaded. This reduces confusion during dismissal and ensures safety for children exiting the building.

# ***Schedule of Events***

## **February 1 - Kids 4 Christ Cool After School**

On February 1st K4C launched Cool After School, an after school tutoring and homework help program for children attending Wednesday activities. For more about Cool After School, see the front page of this newsletter. (Held every Tuesday after school for one hour.)

## **March 8th - Cool After School Session 1 Ends**

Cool After School ends its first six-week session on Tuesday March 8th. The after school program will resume after Spring Break.

## **March 30th, 6:00 - Illusions for The Lord**

On the fifth Wednesday of March, famed illusionist and “magician” Jerome Rewis of Chatsworth will perform at Kids 4 Christ. Mr. Rewis will do two shows, one for the older children and one for the younger. Parents and siblings are welcome to attend either show.

## **April 12th - Cool After School Session 2 Begins**

The second six-week session of Cool After School begins on April 12th. Parents interested in enrolling their children for this session should send in applications as soon as possible. This session ends on May 17th. Cool After School will resume again in August.

## **April 16th, 7:00 AM to 11 AM - Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser**

Kids 4 Christ will host a pancake breakfast fundraiser on Saturday April 16th from 7 to 11 AM at the K4C building on the corner of Withers and N. Cherokee. Adult plates will cost \$4, child plates will be \$2. Plates will include pancakes, sausage, and a drink (coffee, OJ, or milk). Tickets must be pre-purchased and will be available in mid-March, call (706) 639 3234 for details. All money raised will benefit the free programs of Kids 4 Christ.

## **April 16th, 2:00 - Kites in the Park Attendance Reward**

To reward children with good attendance in Jan-Feb-Mar for all their hard work, Kids 4 Christ will be taking those kids to picnic and fly kites in the Chickamauga Battlefield Park on April 16th. Pickup for this event should begin around 12:30, and the kids will be back home by about 5:00. Children can earn this trip through good attendance, meaning that they miss only once or less during the 3 month period. (Permission slip required.)

## **May 14th, 11:00 - Mothers Appreciation Brunch**

For mothers, grandmothers, aunts, and other women raising the children of Kids 4 Christ - a brunch to show how much K4C appreciates you. This event will include a meal, door prizes, and an inspiring presentation by Dr. Andrea Clayton. The brunch is free with invitation, so watch the mail for yours to arrive.

*These scheduled events may be changed or canceled as necessary.*

*For an up-to-date list, please see the Web schedule at [www.k4c.info/schedule/](http://www.k4c.info/schedule/)*



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