



## *Grandparents Club Meeting Dates*

**February 19**

**April 23**

**\* 9 am in the CAL Media Center \***

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## *Save the Date*

## *Grandparents Conference*

**March 21, 9 am - 2 pm**

**Northeast Christian Church**

Director of Spiritual Formation, Becky Wiley and Director of Biblical Unity, Deon Parker, team up for a day dedicated to our Grandparents.

Hear about topics such as Understanding Gen Z & Gen Alpha, findings from "The Anxious Generation", and the BEST teaching tool & relationship builder.

## Dates to Know

### ELEMENTARY

- Chapel Reminders, Grandparents invited!
  - 8:10 AM grades K-2
  - 8:55 AM grades 3-5

### MIDDLE SCHOOL

- February 3-7, Unity Week

### HIGH SCHOOL

- February 3, Juniors practice ACT
- February 6, Buff Puff Game

### ALL

- February 3-7, Unity Week
- February 13, 14 & 17, NO SCHOOL, Professional Development & President's Day
- March 31 - April 4, Spring Break

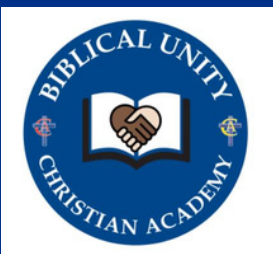


## ALL School Happenings... Biblical Unity

During the week of January 20th, our Director of Biblical Unity, Mr. Deon Parker hosted, 5 "Tables of Brotherhood (Unity)" lunches throughout our school system for students and employees. The title of this lunch was inspired by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s inspiring quote from his August 28, 1963 speech, where he shared his dream for people of all racial and gender backgrounds to be able to sit down at "tables of brotherhood" (i.e. enjoy impartial fellowship/unity).

These upcoming lunches are opportunities for students and employees to enjoy impartial fellowship with a group of their classmates/coworkers. During these lunches, participants will enjoy good food, hear good unifying music, hear Scripture read, hear unifying quotes, and take part in a group discussion about how our God-authored commonalities can assist us in our pursuit of Biblical unity at Christian Academy.

Grandparents, please encourage your children to pursue a more Biblically unified future than past generations have experienced. Through assessing all of our commonalities, we can gain necessary empathy for one another and hopefully, we will be less willing to divide from one another in ways that God does not endorse. And please share personal or cultural stories from your lifetimes that you observed or experienced Biblical unity taking place among humanity. Click [HERE](#) to learn more.







## ALL School Happenings... Providence School

World Down Syndrome Day is on 21 March every year. It is a global awareness day which has been officially observed by the United Nations since 2012. The goal is to help people understand and support those with Down syndrome better.

The date being the 21st day of the 3rd month was chosen to represent the triplication (trisomy) of the 21st chromosome which causes Down syndrome.

### HOW CAN GRANDPARENTS HELP??

- Sorting t-shirts. They arrive late February, early March. This can take two days to finish....depending on how much help and time.
- Help on March 21, maintaining the lunch area for teachers who serve in Providence (This is a big one)
- Help on March 20, sorting cookies into teacher bags ready for delivery the next morning. Around 750 to sort.
- The week before, decorate sock cookies

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# ALL School Happenings...

## Image of God Conference

As a Nonna of four, I wish I could join your Grandparent Club meetings, but unfortunately, my team meetings overlap with yours.

I've been at Christian Academy for nearly 25 years and have always believed having Grandparents in our building would be remarkable—and it truly is! Watching you love on your grandchildren's schools and teachers is such a joy. Your attention, and all the delicious food, is noticed and appreciated.

We strive to support our teachers professionally while ensuring that every interaction with your grandchildren is biblically immersed. When our teachers grow spiritually, they create Christ-centered environments where His love overflows. To that end, we're excited to host the Image of God Conference on February 13–14, with over 550 attendees, including Christian Academy staff and local Christian schools. Keynotes and breakouts will focus on Identity, Biblical Unity, Spiritual Formation, and Wellbeing. Please pray for these days, that our teachers will be encouraged and equipped to better love and guide your grandchildren toward Jesus.

Your prayers for our teachers, leaders, and families are a beautiful calling from God. Thank you for flourishing as a group and serving our schools so well. Enjoy your "Grands" on their days off in February—I'll be working! 😊

Linda Rafla, Head of Academics

**2025**

**IMAGE of GOD**  
CONFERENCE

**KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

- SAM ALLBERRY**  
Associate Pastor, Immanuel Church Nashville  
Author, Speaker
- JAMAAL WILLIAMS**  
Lead Pastor, Soliman Church Midtown  
Author
- LAINIE MONTGOMERY**  
Director of Spiritual Formation, Association of Christian Schools International
- KRISTA BOAN**  
Licensed Professional Counselor and Speaker

**IDENTITY**  
**UNITY**  
**SPIRITUAL FORMATION**  
**WELLBEING**

**13-14**  
**FEBRUARY**  
**8 AM - 4 PM**  
GRACELAND CHURCH  
3600 KAMER MILLER ROAD  
NEW ALBANY, IN 47150

**WEBSITE AND REGISTRATION**

**BREAKOUT SPEAKERS**

- DR. MICHAEL HAYKIN
- ROBERT CUNNINGHAM
- DR. TIMOTHY PAUL JONES
- TROY JACKSON
- CASSI MARTIN
- MIKE COSPER
- TYLER MCKENZIE
- MITCH WILEY
- KURT SAUDER
- LUKE ALLISON
- JONAH SAGE
- SCOTT FEIL
- JEN DUPIN
- COLLEEN RAMSER
- DR. KEVIN CHAPMAN
- BRENDA WESCOTT
- MELISSA PATRICK

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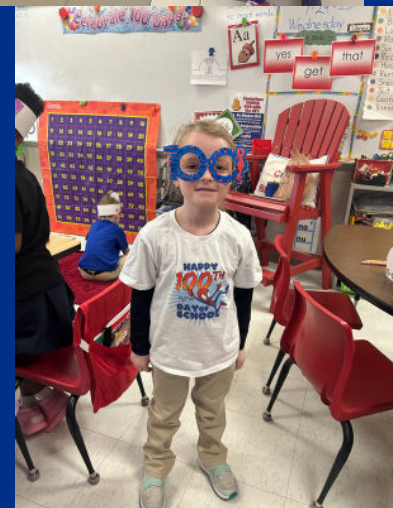
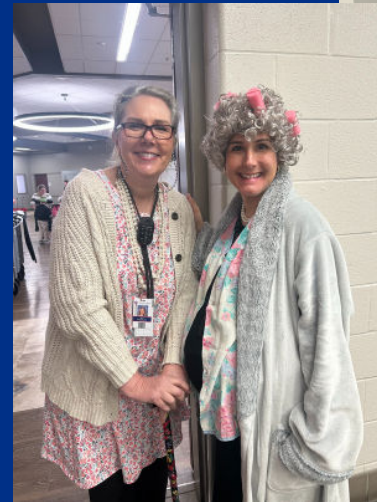
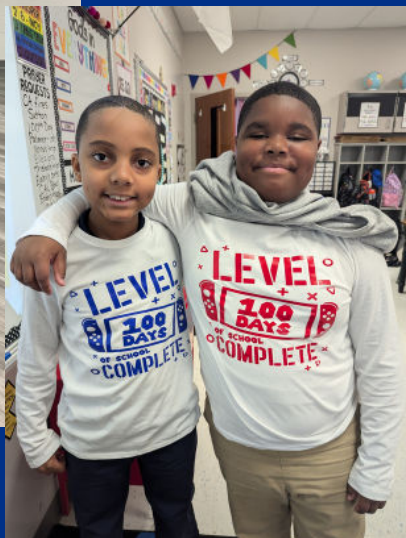
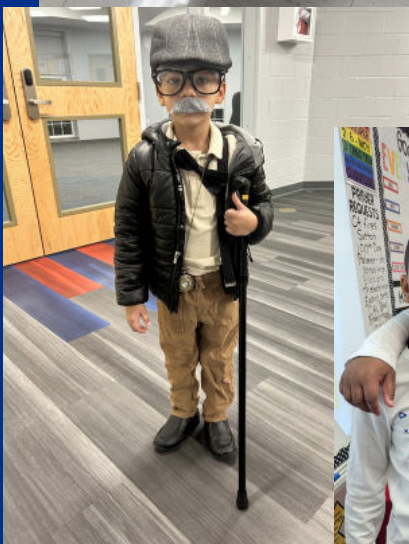


# Elementary Happenings...

## 100th Day of School Celebration!

The elementary school was filled with excitement and laughter as students, teachers, and staff celebrated the 100th day of school in style. Classrooms and students showcased creative displays of "100" in every imaginable way.

Teachers incorporated the milestone into lessons, challenging students with fun activities. The hallways buzzed with chatter as everyone reflected on how much they had learned and grown since the start of the school year. It was a joyful day, not only celebrating the number 100 but also the sense of community and achievement that made the school special.







## Middle & High School Happenings...

Both CAL HS FCA TimeOut and CALMS FCA hit the court this past week with a focus on basketball. Head Girls Basketball Coach, Nick Turner, shared what his team has been studying this season in the book of Hebrews. Basketball players from CAL girls varsity team shared Bible verses that God is using to strengthen them to compete.

JJ Washington from CAL boys varsity team shared his powerful testimony and pointed high school and middle school FCA athletes to keep Jesus center court in their lives! These kids sharing the gospel is what it's all about!





## High School & Elementary Happenings...

Many CAL Elementary students were visited by our High School Rocketry Club during STEAM classes. Rocketry Club members taught elementary students about rockets and the Engineering Design Process to complete their payload. Elementary students participated in the Science Buddies Parachute Experiment. High schoolers and elementary students had a BLAST learning together.

The High School students have two more classes with the Elementary students. Once completed this month, they will have served over 300 CAL Kindergarten, 2nd and 5th Grade students!







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## Christian Academy 2025 Gala



Join us for a unique opportunity to taste offerings from several local chefs as we celebrate and raise funds to support Christian Academy School System.

The Gala is Christian Academy's largest fundraiser, targeted to build community amongst supporters, share the mission of the school and raise funds to continue to grow and serve more students around the Louisville and Southern Indiana areas. We are planning a culinary event that brings together Louisville and Southern Indiana chefs from various backgrounds to create an unforgettable dining experience.

**[CLICK HERE](#)** to purchase single tickets or a table!  
I would love to see some of our Grandparent supporters there.

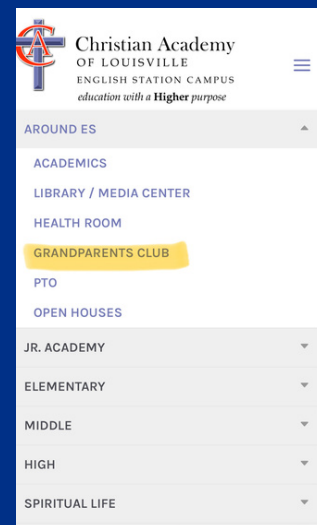


# GRANDPARENTS STAY CONNECTED

**Grandparents Club  
Facebook Group**  
[CLICK HERE](#)

**Grandparents Club  
Webpage**  
[CLICK HERE](#)

We're excited about our brand-new CAL Grandparents Facebook Group. Below is what the group page looks like. Please request to join and pay attention to all the fun things coming soon!



**Tell us about your  
Grandkids!**  
[CLICK HERE](#)





## Grandparent opportunities for the school year

The CAL Grandparents Club aims to foster intergenerational connections that can support our students' education. Our goal is to see more interaction between grandparents and students. Below are some grandparent opportunities to be involved inside and outside of the school.

### Providence School:

- World Down Syndrome Day - 3/21/25
- WDSO T-Shirt distribution help
- WDSO lunch for teachers - Help serve the teachers lunch or bring goodies for them
- Lunch helpers needed! - 10:30 and 11:40 daily
- Prayer group to specifically pray for teachers and kids - Our Providence Director does a great job of getting weekly prayers from her staff and will email them out to the prayer team

### Athletics

- Gate workers - arrive 1 hour before the game, take money and sell tickets until halftime of the last game of the evening. Training will be before. Sign up sheet to work as little or as much as you want. Can get paid or volunteer
- Concession Stand - Organize stand and sell during games
- Run game clocks
- Announce at games

### Library

- Book fair volunteers with student shopping and creating wish lists
  - March 18-26

### Elementary:

- Lunchroom visits/helpers - [CLICK HERE](#)
- Interested in helping a specific teacher? I will connect you with your Grandchild's teacher and open up the communication to start helping if they have a need

### Middle School:

- Missions - snacks for meetings, help with getting kids organized and ready for their mission trips
- Lunch Helpers to walk kids from the lunchroom and back to class - 11:45, 12:10
- Prayer Wall help - Friday afternoon after school or Monday at 7:30 am

### High School:

- Greeters for concerts and programs
- ACT Tutoring
- Subbing - teaching and reception
- Workshops or classroom instruction with specific topics the kids are currently learning - pathways help

### ALL

- Concert/Program Greeters
- Grandparents in prayer - Notes of Encouragement
- GRANDBAKERS - 3 out of the 4 weeks each month, make treats for our teachers/school staff