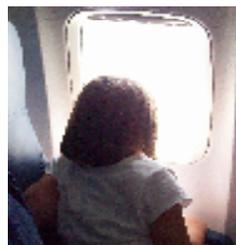


SUMMER/
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2008

Spotlight on Child

Who Knew?
 Who knew the day that you were born?
 Not me - I wasn't even warned.
 Who knew by the time you turned three?
 Something was different we could see.
 Who knew you'd prefer to be alone?
 Play by yourself and stay at home.
 Who knew the things that would bother you?
 Little things, loud noises, the wind that blew.
 Who knew no one would understand?
 When your way you would demand.
 Who knew just what you were trying to say?
 That was a challenge everyday.
 Who knew I would get all the blame?
 I almost crumble under shame.
 Who knew the battles we would have to fight?
 Just to get others to treat you right.
 Who knew the mountains we would have to climb?
 In search of any answers we could find.
 Who knew the many tears I'd cry?
 Just trying to figure out why.
 Who knew just how much I could take?
 Before my heart would nearly break.
 Who knew how many I would have to forgive?
 I will thank God for as long as I live.
 Who knew you'd come so far so fast?
 You overcame so many issues in the past.
 Who knew how very special you would be?
 It was God - He gave you to me.
 Who knew the answers to the questions above?
 God, of course, He is love.

-Sherry Dye-



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**Here are some
 scenes from our
 summer
 programs.
 A big THANK
 YOU to all our
 volunteers and
 donors for their
 support which
 makes all this
 possible!**

From the Director

Our summer began with a week of Vacation Bible School at First Baptist of Waynesboro. More than 25 children from the Center participated in classes, Pre-k through 6th grade, as well as many of our older children worked as volunteers. The combination of all made this time so successful. Several parents drove as far as 45 miles one way to participate in this wonderful opportunity for their children.

After VBS summer social groups and individual tutoring sessions started full swing! I would like to thank our community volunteers who came in and shared their talents: Lisa Wiggins, Music; Marie Murray, Art; and Brooke Flakes, Dance and Tumbling. Groups ran Monday through Thursday throughout the months of June and July. We had a lot of learning and fun going on all summer long!

Another HUGE event for the Center was our trip to New York with Cody Quick, her parents, our Lead Instructor and myself. This trip enable Cody, who has Autism, to receive specialized training to help her learn how to communicate more effectively, and to deal with behaviors that are often associated with autism. We came back with instructional tools, materials, videos and renewed hope for helping not only this child but many, many others who struggle with autism and related disabilities. The experience was wonderful and greatly exceeded our hopes. I would like to take time to share some of the fingerprints of God we witnessed throughout this journey!

How blessed we were by the out-pour of care and concern of this child's church, family and friends to help cover the cost of travel and ultimately even training cost. When the "planned" source of funding to cover the high training cost fell through it was again through Him that resources came from unknown, unexpected sources to cover all the cost.

Space won't allow all the details of this journey of highs and lows, but through it all the constant for all of us involved was His peace that no matter what happened, He was in control. None knew how He would or when, but through our prayers, He provided us what we needed – His presence amid our struggles. We can't tell how many or who prayed, but we can tell you it was felt and effective! From the time we left to the time we returned, He provided countless interventions to help along the way.

We breezed through the airport with no waiting in lines and helpful and considerate airport personal assisting at all stops. Once on the plane, we quickly realized our girl was in fact enjoying the ride (more than some of the adults!). She laughed at take-off and particularly liked turbulence. So when she was getting restless in flight, I found myself asking God to give a few bumps in the ride.

While in New York to her parents wonderful surprise, she and they had some of the best night's sleep they have had in some time. In fact, she often even napped when

we returned to the hotel at about 4:30 and still slept at night. This was also due to the prayers of many and the hard work asked of her each day during our very intensive three days of training. During that time she and all of us learned many new researched based skills that have already shown good gains for her at home and school.

Truly only God knows how far we can use what He is teaching us all about understanding and helping His precious children with special needs.

All of us who participated in this trip and the other workings of the Center agree that our biggest blessing daily is watching Him work out His plan. I encourage everyone to daily listen for His promptings, seek Him in prayer, in His word and His people, and then watch Him work it out!

Serving Him, Sarah Ashe

Thanks to ALL who made this trip possible for Cody and her family.



Vincent Carbone Clinic
New York

Faith's Corner—Look what's new at my house!

To our CFNB family, Spring has been a wonderful time for my family. My husband and I welcomed Calia Grace Edmondson into the world on April 25, 2008. She weighed 6 lbs 15 oz and was 20 3/4 inches long. Callie has the most beautiful copper red

hair from her daddy. She is a precious little one who has already brought so much joy into our lives. God has blessed our lives so richly. Thank you to all those who have prayed for us during this time. I am glad to be back at the Center after maternity leave. Hope you had a wonderful summer!! — Faith
Calia Grace Edmondson

“Callie”



Pick your favorite fall fundraiser. We have something for everyone: running, walking, cooking, eating, sports activities and an auction!!

Put your running shoes on and join us in September for our 5K run. Forms are available on the website. Prizes available for various age groups. Entry fees \$15.

5K Run/Walk and Children's Half-Mile Fun Run
"Run for a New Beginning"
Saturday, Sept. 27th, 2008, 8:00 am



Bird Dog
breakaway



Beños for Niños: Chili Cook-Off

October 25, 2008 Waynesboro City Park
Traditional, White, Burning Hot
\$30 Entry Fee

Held in conjunction with d.o.o.r's pumpkin party in the park
team set-up: 1-3pm team turn-in: 5pm

See the Center Website for More Details www.nbeginnings.org

We are selling Augusta Lynx voucher tickets good for any game this season.
Our goal is to sell 1000 tickets.

The Center will also benefit from a Lynx's Jersey Auction that will be held on November 22nd following the special Honoring Veterans Game Night.

A BIG Thank You to William Mizell Ford for sponsoring this event by purchasing the team jerseys to be auctioned!



Clapping and tapping. How hard can it be? Interactive Metronome has people clap and step to a rhythmic tone from a head phone set. It gives immediate feedback on how accurate you are down to the millisecond. Originally used to help music students, research has found IM to be highly effective for both children and adults with:

- Sensory Integration Disorder
- Asperger's Syndrome
- Autism Spectrum Disorder
- ADD/ADHD
- Cerebral Palsy
- Strokes
- Traumatic Brain Injury

What is IM?

We are excited to offer IM as part of our many programs. We invite you to call the Center at 706-437-0505 for more information and ask for Faith or Laurie.



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A place for healing and hope.

CFNB is a Christian non-profit center serving children and adolescents with special needs (behavioral, educational, emotional, intellectual, physical), as well as their families and caregivers in the rural counties south of Augusta.

It is our mission to offer healing and hope to families in need through the provision of resources, services, and support to meet the challenges they are facing.

What we do:

Community Services:

- Training, consultative & shadowing for community programs

Children Services:

- In-home & center-based autism programs
- Academic tutoring
- Special Needs Playgroup
- Social Skill Groups
- Individual & family counseling
- Speech, occupational & physical therapy
- Piano

Family Services:

- Lending Library & Resource Center
- Parent Support Group
2nd Tuesday Monthly

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