



— the Chapel at Seaside —

# FROM THE TOWER

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## Summer Vibes

Summer is upon us. With the coming season, no matter if you have school aged kids or not, your schedule will likely adjust. You are most likely already doing things to prepare for the change. You'll stock up on sunblock or get a new swimsuit. You'll get ready for that trip you have planned. Maybe you'll make sure the pantry is full of snacks because more people are around. If you live around here full time, you'll adjust when you go grocery shopping, which roads you will take, and decide when it's just easier to stay at home to avoid the crowds and traffic. We do this because we have expectations about what the summer will look like. **We don't want to miss out.** If we get to Labor Day and realize we missed out on the summer, it is likely because we weren't intentional and we didn't prepare. If almost all of us intentionally prepare when a new season begins, are we being intentional in the same way with our faith? Are we being thoughtful in regards to how we will deepen our faith in the coming months? Are we intentionally carving out time and space to be allocated to growing, reading, learning, listening, and reflecting? Do we have expectations to encounter God and grow in wisdom and knowledge in a journey of refinement? *As we enter into Memorial Day weekend and the unofficial start of summer, ask yourself the question, "What do I hope happens over the next 100 days?"* How do we prepare intentionally? Check out the books listed below. We've included all the previous suggested reading and a new one for the summer. Listen to The Chapel podcast (or others we recommended on page 4) wherever you stream and get caught up. Engage in our summer bible study gatherings, worship on Sundays, and spend some time in intentional scripture reading and prayer. A life that is hurried is a life that doesn't have time for God. Slow down and see what happens. Do you hope to be more like Jesus when summer is over or just be a slightly more tan version of yourself? Rest in the arms of your Heavenly Father, be bold in the power of the Holy Spirit, and follow in the ways of Jesus. Don't just pivot for a season, be transformed for eternity. - Andrew Beard

## Summer Reading

Each month we suggest a book that we hope will be encouraging to you on your journey of following Christ.

We have suggested a lot of reading that is on the deep side. You may even think that we don't know how to read "light" or fun things...BUT ALAS! We do...we just haven't recommend those reads. Until now. We thought you might need a beach read! So, with that, we are taking it back to a book that had a huge impact on us 11 years ago. This book is full of stories of hope and wonder and laughter and fun!

If you haven't read Love Does, by Bob Goff, do yourself a favor a grab a copy from Sundog Books, (our favorite local bookstore) or order online. We can't all lives lives just like Bob, but one of the things this book showed me is that it is such a fun and interesting way of life to lead with love. And...there is also a kids version.



### Previously Recommended:

The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry by John Mark Comer - The Common Rule by Justin Earley

Walking in the Dust of Rabbi Jesus by Lois Tverberg

Celebration of Discipline by Richard Foster - God Has a Name by John Mark Comer

The Happiness Advantage by Shawn Achor - Emotionally Healthy Spirituality by Pete Scazzero

The Deeply Formed Life by Rich Villodas - Long Obedience in the Same Direction by Eugene Peterson



## Welcome Seaside Chapel's First Ever Intern! (that we know of)

We are 2 months into using the gift of The Seaside Neighborhood School for Kids Church on Sunday Mornings, and it has been fantastic!

A few weeks ago I felt like I should see if there were any possibilities of getting a summer intern so that our kids have some consistency through the summer...and a few other reasons. I got approval and began praying for the right person to show up! I feel like the Lord just slid Bella right in front of me!! Meet Bella!

If you are in town this summer, or know someone who has kids (from age 5 to those just completing 6th grade, we would love for them to join us at the Seaside School for our Kids Church!

**If you want your kids to join us for Kids Church, they must be in our database. You can fill out info on site at drop off or ahead of time, right here:**

<https://thechapelatseaside.churchcenter.com/people/forms/239938>



Hey, Chapel! My name is Bella Turner (with dog, Holiday) and I could not be more excited to serve the youth of our community this summer. I am a student at the University of Georgia but have grown up on 30a since 2016. In my free time, you can find me reading a good book, enjoying the beach, or spending time with my large family. I have the biggest passion for leading children to know Christ and it is such a joy to be able to work with them this summer. Let's do this! - Bella

**Parents MUST check their kids in on site at the Seaside School.** Parents will begin dropping their kids off at the school pre-service but **no earlier than 9:40** and picking up right after church - if y'all are talkers, please send one parent to get the kids so our volunteers can close up!

**Little Kids:** We are hoping that the room to the left when you enter the Chapel will greet you with some help. There will be some books, coloring books, and things to help keep your toddlers hands busy.

# HOLY LAND

As you probably know by now, in March 2024, The Chapel is taking a group to the Holy Land. We will see the communities Jesus grew up in and did ministry in. We will take a boat across the Sea of Galilee and see the towns that dot the hills around it. We will journey to the Jordan River and touch the waters that Jesus was baptized in. We will walk through the streets of Jerusalem, down the Mount of Olives, and across the Kidron Valley. We will pray in the Garden of Gethsemane and put our hands upon the Western Wall.

This is the kind of trip that will forever change the way you see and read the scriptures. They no longer are just two dimensional words on paper, but a three dimensional experience you have stepped into.

**We have had a great response to the trip already and the initial sign up is full. We had originally had 45 spots and they filled up almost immediately. If we get more people committed to the trip, we will get a larger bus and be able to accommodate a few more people. So if you have any interest, please sign up.**

**If you would like to join us on this trip, the sign up is [here](#).**

If you have any questions about our experience, feel free to email [Andrew@thechapelatseaside.com](mailto:Andrew@thechapelatseaside.com) or [Sarah@thechapelatseaside.com](mailto:Sarah@thechapelatseaside.com).

Most all the info can be found at the [registration page](#). [Just click here to access it!](#)

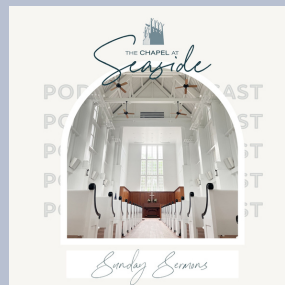
-Andrew



## 20's and 30's

We are off and running. We have Bible Studies in the AM and PM as well as a home group.

To join the 20's and 30's group, [CLICK HERE](#).



## SERMON PODCAST

Check out the latest sermons from the Chapel at Seaside on Apple Podcasts or most places where podcasts are streamed.

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY  
**WEDNESDAY at 9:00am**  
at The Chapel at Seaside

This summer we are stepping out  
of the box for  
four weeks of study.  
We are combining our Men and  
Women's Bible Studies for two  
2 week sessions led by  
Andrew and Sarah.

We hope you are as excited as  
we are.



To join our Bible Study groups to  
stay updated  
click the links below.

**Women's Bible Study**  
**Men's Bible Study**

TEAMWORK  
**BOB GLASGOW**



As you know, our Chapel is governed by a board and we want to make sure to introduce you to the amazing people who make this place work!

We want to introduce you to Bob! Originally from Pennsylvania, Bob Glasgow has lived in Dallas since 1985. He and Lois have been married for 36 years, and they have three sons, two daughters-in-law, and three grandchildren. Bob has been active in his home

church, Highland Park Presbyterian, where he is currently a reserve elder. Although he claims that he originally bought the house in Seaside purely to make his wife happy, he has found that he quite likes it here. Currently they spend 25% of their time in Seaside, with plans to increase that ratio to 50% in the next couple of years. You can usually find Bob either riding his bike, doing his early morning trek to Western Lake, or walking the beach in the late afternoon. He and Lois also play as much pickleball as they can. Bob has been on the Chapel board since 2019. For four years prior that, Bob and his family attended the Chapel regularly. He is currently the Chapel secretary and supports some of the facilities projects. Bob is a gift to us at the Chapel as he helps us govern with wisdom and integrity! If you see Bob out and about, make sure you say, "hey"!

Podcast RECOMMENDATIONS



Just a few to get you started! This list has theology, bible, encouragement, spiritual practices, cultural understanding and family formation.

