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Points to Ponder

GET OFF OF THE ROLLERCOASTER

In an age marked by global instability, economic stress, relentless negative news, and deep social division, many Christians struggle with anxiety and emotional turmoil. Social media often reflects this tension, with people declaring “God is good” one moment and expressing despair or anger the next. Anxiety disorders affect millions of Americans, and while professional mental health treatment is a valuable blessing, Christians can also cultivate spiritual habits to strengthen emotional well-being.

First, make everything a matter of prayer. Philippians 4:6 says, (v. 6) *Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need ...*

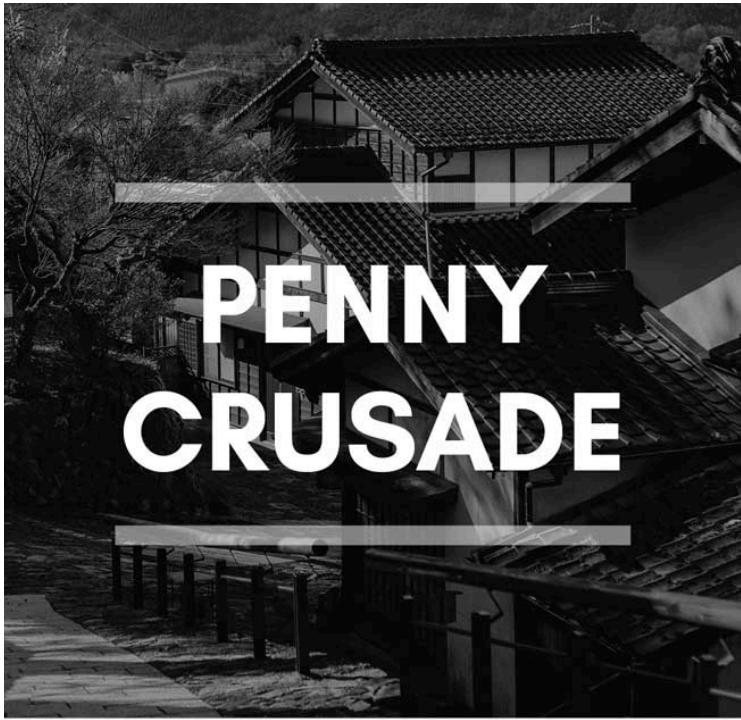
As believers, we are urged to replace worry with prayer, bringing every concern to God. Studies show that the vast majority of things we worry about never materialize or cannot be changed. Prayer not only invites God to act but also transforms the one who prays, filling the heart with divine peace.

Second, develop perspective through gratitude. Paul instructs believers to pray “with thanksgiving.” Regularly reflecting on blessings shifts focus from problems to God’s goodness. Gratitude widens our view and counters the nearsightedness that magnifies difficulties.

Third, redirect your thoughts. Philippians 4:8 commands believers to dwell *on what is true, noble, pure, and praiseworthy*. Since thoughts shape emotions, disciplining the mind leads to emotional stability.

By practicing prayer, gratitude, and intentional thinking, Christians can experience God’s peace guarding their hearts and minds.

Rev. Joe Pritchett



PENNY CRUSADE

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2026

Each fundraising year, an area of focus is selected. This year, it's Agape House ministries in Japan where our full-time missionaries Rowena and Erwin Cabrizos work. Agape House ministries include churches and community outreach programs. Please contribute during March and April.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CLICK:
acgc.us/pennycrusade

Big Ski 2026

God blessed this event mightily!! February 5-8 in Princeton, WV



WHAT IS PENNY CRUSADE

In 1956, Chester Randall made an unusual donation of 4,175 pennies to help Advent Christians spread the gospel to the nations. This served as an inspiration and launch pad for a yearly denominational fundraising effort called Penny Crusade. Since then, more than 20 million dollars has been raised and sent by more than 300 AC churches.

WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO

Advent Christian ministry partnerships now exist in 19 countries. Indian pastors, Filipino missionaries, African pastors, children's homes, a Bible college, discipleship groups, feeding ministries, training events and new church plants are all strengthened by money raised through Penny Crusade. One hundred percent of Penny Crusade dollars goes to missions. (See the back of this card).

WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR ME

God's desire is that every nation, tribe and tongue hear and respond to the good news of Jesus Christ. Through Penny Crusade, you have the opportunity to support this mission. God doesn't need your money to expand his kingdom, but he invites you to give as an act of worship and obedience.

WHERE CAN I FIND OUT MORE

acgc.us/pennycrusade

Summer Camp - 2026



2026 Summer Camp Rates & Dates

Camp Dixie
WATER, FUN, & FRIENDSHIP

SESSION	DATES	AGE/GRADE	SESSION COST	DEPOSIT DUE
SUPER KIDS RETREAT One parent attends FREE with each child and will receive a FREE t-shirt!	June 12-13	Age 4-7	\$50	\$10
Grade levels are based on Grade entering Fall of 2026				
HIGH SCHOOL CAMP	June 14-19	Grades 9-12	\$425	\$40
KIDS' CAMP #1	June 21-26	Grades 2-4	\$425	\$40
KIDS' CAMP #2 (EARLY SESSION)	June 21-26	Grades 5-6	\$425	\$40
KIDS' CAMP #2	June 28-July 3	Grades 4-6	\$425	\$40
JUNIOR HIGH CAMP	July 5-10	Grades 7-9	\$425	\$40

Kids' Camp Options & Information:

- Kid's Camp #2E session enrollment is limited to 56 campers - Hilltop Lodging Only
- Rising 4th graders may attend Kids' Camp #1 and/or Kids' Camp #2
- Rising 5th & 6th graders may attend Kids' Camp #2E and/or Kids' Camp #2
- If camper attends two sessions, a \$40 discount will be applied

Teen Camp Options:

- Rising 9th graders may attend Junior High Camp or High School Camp, but not both

General Information:

- 10% Military Discount for campers with a parent on active duty! Discounts apply to total registration cost upon verification and do not include extras.
- A deposit is required to reserve your spot for each session. Total deposit paid will be deducted from the total cost of your camp session.
- For further information and to register, visit CampDixie.com.
- Register early to begin making monthly installments on your camper account. Ex. Camper #1 registers for Kid's Camp #1 in November for a total of \$425. After an initial deposit of \$40, the 6 monthly payments would be approximately \$71 beginning December 1st.

Extras:

- **BANK MONEY:** Kids' Camp campers are required to keep all money in the camp bank. Junior High and High School campers are recommended to put all money in the camp bank as well.
- **CABIN PHOTO:** A digital copy is included with each registration for FREE!
- **SUMMER CAMP THEME T-SHIRT:** Included with each registration for FREE!

Questions?
Contact us at registration@campdixie.com or 910-865-5180



SPRING LADIES RETREAT

ENCOUNTERING GOD

Dates: April 17-19

April 17 - 5:00 pm
Registration Begins in the Education Building

373 Bladen Union Church Rd
Fayetteville, NC 28306

Use QR Code below to register



Join us for a weekend together learning how to cultivate Habits of Faith Through the Spiritual Disciplines.



Kelly Minter

THE PASTOR'S MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

A TIME OF FELLOWSHIP AND SHARING!

APRIL 24TH -25TH, 2026

PROGRAM OF EVENTS:

April 24h:

12 PM - Tee Time at Cedar Lake
Golf Course

6 PM - Friday Night Spaghetti
Dinner At Hope Community
Fellowship

April 25th:

7:45 AM - Putting Contest

8:15 AM - Tee Time at Cedar Lake Golf
Course



MEMORIAL REMEMBERANCE

JOHNEA ROSS

HERBERT LEACH

JOULIS A. PARKER, JR.

KEN OLSEN

**COST
\$80**

DEAN SKINNER

LARRY WITHEROW

WES ROSS

ROGER BYRD

KYLE OLSEN

More Summer Camp 2026



WELCOME TO Camp Suwannee

A ministry of the Florida Conference of Advent Christian Churches

Held at Camp Suwannee at the Advent Christian Village

Welcome to Camp Suwannee, a place where faith, fun, and friendship come together in the heart of God's creation. At Camp Suwannee, we provide a unique Christian camp experience that nurtures spiritual growth, builds lifelong friendships, and creates unforgettable memories. Our serene setting along the Suwannee River offers a perfect backdrop for engaging activities, inspiring worship, and personal reflection. Whether you're joining us for the first time or returning for another season, we invite you to explore, discover, and grow in your faith with our loving and supportive community. Come and be part of the Camp Suwannee family, where every moment is an opportunity to experience God's love and grace.

Contact Us

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Summer Camp Dates

Junior Camp July 5-11 (Ages 7-12)

Senior Camp July 12-18 (Ages 13-18)



Questions? Text/Call Pastor Ross:
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Coming Events . . .

February 28	ENC Conference Meetings
March 8	Daylight Saving Time Begins (Spring Forward)
March 14	SC Conference Meetings
March 28	FL Conference Meetings
March 29	AC Village Sunday
March-April	Penny Crusade
April 5	Advent Christian Retirement Communities Sunday

Philippians 1:4-6

⁴ In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, ⁶ being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.