

Dear bridge Families and Friends,

We find ourselves amidst another summer of virtual camps! We are so excited to be able to provide a Vacation Bible School (VBS) online tool for your family this year. Not even a pandemic can keep us from experiencing the love of Jesus! The theme of the VBS is, "BOLT! Totally 80's (A.D. 's)!" This is a wonderful opportunity to connect and spend meaningful time together "BOLT-ing" towards faith in Jesus while diving into the early church (A.D. 's) to learn how to share the good news of Jesus. While this is not the regular Adventure Bible Camp (ABC) curriculum we use at *the bridge*, we look forward to bringing back ABC in the future. We are grateful that we can utilize this online tool to help empower families to disciple their children in a fun, safe and memorable way, right at home in YOUR backyard!

BOLT will run from August 3rd to 6th. With daily videos, minimal supplies and preparation, and easy-to follow instructions; it's SO simple AND fun! You will access all resources at www.thebridgemarkham.com/boltvbs. Each day, you can head on over to www.thebridgemarkham.com/boltvbs, and click on Day 1 for August 3rd, Day 2 for August 4th, Day 3 for August 5th and Day 4 for August 6th to access each day's video & resources. These will stay up once they are posted, for you to complete each day at a convenient time for your family. Depending on your pace, you can expect that each day's experience will last about 1 hour to 1 hour and 30 minutes. It's great for kids who are in Kindergarten to 5th grade. Each day includes TUBULAR backyard games led by our very own *bridge* summer students, awesome origami making, 80's trivia and MORE!

Here's an idea – if you have family or friends in your social circle during this COVID season, invite them to join in with you if it's safe to do so! It's such an easy and fun way to create meaningful connections and to share the good news of Jesus with others.

Registrants will receive a ZOOM link to participate in a fun *bridge* community kick off, daily check-ins and a closing ceremony. These links will be sent by Monday, August 2nd. Please JOIN US for this brief time to introduce BOLT, hear fun stories from your friends and then to celebrate what we have learned at the end of BOLT! Be sure to mark these dates in your calendar so you don't miss out on any of the fun! There may even be some prizes to win!

ZOOM KICKOFF: August 3rd from 9:30-9:45am (BEFORE you watch any BOLT videos, this will be like a mini-introduction!)

ZOOM CHECK-IN 1: August 4th from 3-3:15pm (AFTER you have finished Day 2 of BOLT)

ZOOM CHECK-IN 2: August 5th from 3-3:15pm (AFTER you have finished Day 3 of BOLT)

ZOOM CLOSING: August 6th from 3-3:30pm (AFTER you have finished the entire BOLT VBS!)

Get your family excited! This is going to be SO much fun!

In His Love,

Pastor Shauna