



Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis

The Summer Saturday Program is a great way to get ready for the coming school year. Make plans now to attend!

Lunch and Learn was a Great Success!

On April 13th, 2024, Dyslexia Foundation did something new. In the past we had a dinner and silent auction at All Saints, but this year we decided to do something different and let Garibaldis do the cooking and we would do the eating, learning, and socializing. So, we decided to have a Lunch and Learn. If you didn't come, you missed a great time, everyone who came really seemed to enjoy themselves. even me! No make that especially me! We had an All you could eat buffet of pizza, salad, pasta and dessert. Boy, were we stuffed and when we could eat no more, but before we could take a nap, a graduate of the Dyslexia Foundation Program, Lisa Pennington, spoke to us about how sticking with the curriculum at Saturday school really pays off and gave several examples. Then because we had some really wonderful longtime members of the Foundation who were part of the group who helped start our Foundation in the audience, we asked them up to tell their story and they shared their story about how even with Dyslexia, you can

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Thoughts from the Prez



Dear friends,

Well, another semester of Saturday school has come and gone and it is time for me to give you an update. This has been one of the best semesters in recent history. We had wonderful students that truly seemed happy to be there. And who worked hard and learned a lot. We had delightful tutors who showed up, and on time, and knew their stuff. If they had to miss, called us to let us know. Our

supervisors were great also. They came, they taught, they inspired. It was just great. I sincerely wish you all could have been there. I was glad I was there with almost my whole family. Christina has gone back to book writing with Paula, so I look forward to some updated books soon. Chris came on board to help Cain with set up and take down, Yay. Colby even showed up a few Saturdays to help with math. He started making origami, paper folded, animals to help the younger students pay attention to get their reward for good behavior. We had some "old timers" come and help us too. Thanks

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Summer 2024

New Parents Meeting	May 30
Application Deadline	June 1
Tutor Workshop	June 1
Student's First Day	June 8
Student's Last Day	Aug 24

Fall 2024

New Parents Meeting	Sept 5
Application Deadline	Sept 7
Tutor Workshop	Sept 7
Student's First Day	Sept 14
Thanksgiving (Holiday)	Nov 30
Student's Last Day	Dec 7

Spring 2025

New Parents Meeting	Jan 11
Application Deadline	Jan 13
Tutor Workshop	Jan 13
Student's First Day	Jan 20
Annual Meeting	TBD
Spring Break	March 15
Student's Last Day	April 12

2024 Paid Members

Congratulations... You remembered... These *smart* people remembered that dues are due the first of *each* year and they are current paid members! Is your name here or did you forget? No problem you can send a check for \$20.00 or *more* to either:

Karen Carson		The Dyslexia Foundation
7532 Hatch Circle	or	P.O. Box 240792
Arlington, TN 38002		Memphis, TN 38124

.... and pay your dues today. Dues makes it possible for us to send you Our Dyslexia Newsletter and other mailings during the year

Anderson, Tasha	Jackson, Raven	Sanders, Nora
Barton, Dalton & Family	Jackson, Kristin	Sharp, Marvel
Bogard, Latrica	Kakhniashvili, Anna	Steadman Andrea
Boggan, Alex	Kelly, Delmetrin & Jaylen	Tyler, Amanda
Brotherton, Patsy	Landrum, Paula	Vickers, Carolyn
Brownlee, Elija & Family	Mason, Joseph & Bridget	Vining, Ann
Buford, Michelle	May, Brenda	Wakefield, Hailey & Victoria
Carson, Cain & Karen	Mudder, Rachel	Walker, Lisa
Dunn, Jameson & Family	O'Neal, Lisa	Williams, Ashley
Fitzhugh, Linda	Perry, George & Rachel	Williams, Linda
German, Memphis & Family	Robles, Oiris	Wolfe, Bob & Ann
Hammond, Chris & Ava	Ruffell, Jeremy & Shani	Wynn, Raven
Hill, Joy & Braen	Salter, Fayzeo	Young, Misty

Let's work together to make our list of paid members grow and GROW! (If you have sent in your check and your name is not here, please let us know — Errors do happen

First grade is wild! You're learning how to be a human, how to write things down, how to manage friendships, follow rules, and all the while everybody's teeth are following out all over the place.

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Patsy, Victoria, and Haley.

You really missed a great semester! You're welcome to come back this semester on Saturday only to see the changes we are making in our students and parents' lives. We would love to make wonderful changes in your life also. Lord of Life is a great place with wonderful people to come. To work with us. Come and see for yourselves and make a positive difference in a child's life. It is a super great feeling to help one of our children start feeling better about themselves. You will feel better about yourself too. I look forward to seeing you in June! This program truly helps everyone who participates in any way.

Remember:

Saturdays in June, July, and August

8:00 AM to 12:35 PM at Lord of Life Lutheran Church

6865 Poplar Pike in Memphis

or call Karen Carson at 901-761-7399 for directions or use the GPS on your phone.

Ya'll come for an interesting time and a feel good experience. See you there.

Sincerely KEC.

Graduates from Books



The following student completed a book during the 2024 Spring Semester:

Book C

Joseph Mason

When a student finishes a book they receive their choice of a trophy or a medallion at an award ceremony on the last day of school. These awards can be engraved for just a few dollars. We have an agreement with First Place Trophies to engrave these awards for a discounted price. Therefore should you wish to have the award your child chose engraved take it to 1st Place Awards, 377-9214 and be sure to tell them to give you the Dyslexia Foundation discount.

During our Lunch and Learn get together in April we elected officers.

2024 - 2025 OFFICERS

President - Karen Carson
Vice President - Linda Fitzhugh
Recording Secretary - Patsy Brotherton
Corresponding Secretary - Anna Kakhniashvili
Treasurer - Andrea Steadman

Board of Directors

Alex Boggan	Chris Hammond
Raven Jackson	Lisa O'Neal
Lisa Pennington	Jo Pennington
Carolyn Vickers	Elizabeth Wakefield
Victoria Wakefield	Ann Wolfe

Perfect Attendance



A big salute goes out to all those who did not miss any Saturdays during the entire Spring 2024 semester! Thanks for your dedication to the Foundation.

Students

Dalton Baron
Briana Martinez-Mudder

Staff

Karen Carson Cain Carson
Linda Fitzhugh Hailey Wakefield
Rachel Mudder

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have a great life, career, and family. Several others also spoke of the love and hope the foundation gives students, tutors and everyone who comes to Saturday school. It was a great afternoon and we had over 40 people come and receive a great moral morale booster. If you missed it, I'm sorry, because it was wonderful. For me personally, seeing old friends and people who had helped me through tough times when I didn't know what to do or whether I was coming or going, was wonderful. I feel everyone who came felt inspired by the testimonials that were given by people in the audience and we're glad they attended. Then to top off a great gathering, we elected offices. Perhaps we can do it again next year. God bless you all who came and shared your experiences with us about Saturday school. It was a heartwarming and uplifting luncheon.

"WELCOME TO HOLLAND"

By Emily Pearl Kingsley

I am often asked to describe the experience of raising a child with a disability - to try to help people who have not shared that unique experience to understand it, to imagine how it would feel. It's like this...

When you're going to have a baby, it's like planning a fabulous vacation trip - to Italy. You buy a bunch of guidebooks and make your wonderful plans. The Coliseum. The Michelangelo David. The gondolas in Venice. You may learn some handy phrases in Italian. It's all very exciting.

After months of eager anticipation, the day finally arrives. You pack your bags and off you go. Several hours later, the plane lands. The flight attendant comes and says, "Welcome to Holland".

"Holland?!" You say. What do you mean, Holland? I signed up for Italy! I'm supposed to be in Italy. All my life I've dreamed of going to Italy.

But there's been a change in the flight plan. They've landed in Holland and there you must stay.

The important thing is that they haven't taken you to a horrible, disgusting, filthy place, full of pestilence, famine and disease. It's just a different place.

So you must go out and buy new guidebooks. And you must learn a whole new language. And you will meet a whole new group of people you would never have met.

It's just a different place. It's slower paced than Italy, less flashy than Italy. But after you've been there for a while and you catch your breath, you look around and you begin to notice that Holland has windmills, Holland has tulips, Holland even has Rembrandts.

But everyone you know is busy coming and going from Italy, and they're all bragging about what a wonderful time they had there. And for the rest of your life, you will say, "Yes, there's where I was supposed to go. That's what I had planned.

And the pain of that will never, ever, ever go away, because the loss of that dream is a very significant loss.

But if you spend your life mourning that you didn't get to Italy, you may never be free to enjoy the very special, the very lovely things about Holland.

The subject of this essay was the reaction of a parent whose child was born with Downs syndrome. "Dear Abby" dedicated this poem to all the parents and grandparents of babies born everywhere with various disabilities.

MOMENTS IN LIFE

There are moments in life when you miss someone so much that you just want to pick them from your dreams and hug them for real!

Don't go for looks; they can deceive
Don't go for wealth; even that fades away.
Go for someone who makes you smile,
because it takes only a smile to
make a dark day seem bright.
Find the one that makes your heart smile.

Dream what you want to dream;
go where you want to go;
be what you want to be,
because you have only one life
and one chance to do all the things
you want to do

The happiest of people don't necessarily
have the best of everything;
they just make the most of
everything that comes along their way.

The brightest future will always
be based on a forgotten past;
you can't go forward in life until
you let go of your past failures and heartaches.



A Small Truth To Make Life 100%

If
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
is equal to
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22
23 24 25 26

Hard Work

H+A+R+D+W+O+R+K
 $8+1+18+4+23+15+18+11 = 98\%$

Knowledge

K+N+O+W+L+E+D+G+E
 $11+14+15+23+12+5+4+7+5 = 96\%$

Love

L+O+V+E
 $12+15+22+5 = 54\%$

Luck

L+U+C+K
 $12+21+3+11 = 47\%$
(don't most of us think this is the most important???)

Then what makes 100%?

Is it Money? ... NO!!!

M+O+N+E+Y
 $13+15+14+5+25 = 72\%$

Leadership? ... NO!!!

L+E+A+D+E+R+S+H+I+P
 $12+5+1+4+5+18+19+9+16 = 98\%$

Every problem has a solution, only if we perhaps
change our attitude.

To go to the top, to that 100%,
What we really need to go further...a bit more...

ATTITUDE

A+T+T+I+T+U+D+E
 $1+20+20+9+20+21+4+5 = 100\%$

It is OUR ATTITUDE towards Life and Work that
makes OUR Life 100%

ATTITUDE IS EVERYTHING

Change Your Attitude...And Change Your Life!!!

Now that you know the answer...WHAT WILL YOU DO
ABOUT IT?

The Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis

Dear Parents and Tutors:

We are again planning a 12 week Summer Program. It will be conducted on Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The program will run from Saturday, June 8 to Saturday, Aug 24, 2024 at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 6865 Poplar Pike, Memphis, TN 38119

Workshops, which are mandatory for all personnel, will be held Saturday June 1 2024, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Lord of Life Lutheran Church. BRING A LUNCH!!!!

The Dyslexia Foundation's own language curriculum is used for instruction. Students MUST take part in the full curriculum for the entire 12 week period.

The following policies must be understood by all who apply to the program - - as tutors or students:

1. Students who are having difficulty in school with reading, spelling, math, or have been diagnosed as Dyslexic are accepted. Please contact a Director if you have questions about being accepted.
2. All tutors must be sixteen years of age or older.
3. All participants must be current members of The Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis. Dues are \$20.00.
4. A certain dress code will be observed by everyone.
5. WORKSHOPS ARE MANDATORY FOR ALL TUTORS.
6. All personnel must fulfill all obligations as set forth in the application contract.

Please apply for the subject you prefer to tutor, math or language. New parent-tutors apply only for reading. The following areas require tutors:

1. Reading (All tutors tutor Language)
2. Math

Workshops and daily staff meetings will provide instruction in the use of the materials. Supervision will be given over all areas of instruction.

The tuition is \$300.00 per student plus a \$75.00 registration fee and \$20.00 for dues. The entire amount is due with the application before June 1, 2024. It cannot be refunded. Remember parents must tutor must fill out an application. The above figures require an enrollment of 40 students in order for the Foundation to offer the Spring Program at this tuition cost.

All applications must be returned before June 1, 2024. If you are unable to meet this deadline please call and notify the Director of your intentions. Neither students nor tutor applications will be accepted after that date unless verbal approval has been made. An exception will be made for new families who were tested during the Spring 2024 semester.

If you have any additional questions, please contact the director before the application deadline.

Sincerely,

Karen Carson, Director
901 671-7399

SEND APPLICATIONS TO:

Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis
7532 Hatch Circle
Bartlett, TN 38002

WAIVER OF LIABILITY

In partial consideration of the willingness of Lord of Life Lutheran Church to allow its facility to be used by The Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis, of which my child is a participant, the undersigned parents or guardians of the child(ren) listed below, acknowledge that Lord of Life Lutheran Church shall be free from all liabilities and claims for damages and/or suits for or by reason of any injury or injuries to me, my child(ren), or property, from any cause or action whatsoever while in or upon the property of Lord of Life Lutheran Church during any and all functions of The Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis held on said premises.

I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless Lord of Life Lutheran Church from all liabilities, charges, expenses (including counsel fees) and cost on account of or by reason of any such injuries, liabilities, claims, suits or losses however occurring or damages growing out of same.

Children: _____

Signed this day of _____, 20____

Parent or Guardian _____

RELEASE

I, individually, (and/or as parent, and/or guardian of the named minor) for and in consideration of the acceptance of my application to enter and my receiving permission from The Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis, hereinafter called "Foundation", to participate in the succeeding Dyslexia Summer and/or Saturday School, do hereby release, remise, waive, surrender and forever discharge The Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis together with all of their officers, agents, officials, directors, supervisors, tutors and employees, collectively hereinafter called "Foundation", from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, or causes of action whatsoever arising out of or related to any injury, illness, loss or damage, including death, relating to participation in the succeeding Dyslexia Summer and/or Saturday School.

I further agree that in the event of any injury or emergency requiring medical attention that if I am assisted by the Foundation in receiving treatment and willingly accept such treatment that I will in no way hold the Foundation responsible for the consequences of my treatment of any problem resulting there from, whether administered by the Foundation or a third party called by the Foundation. Should I become unconscious or unable to give my consent for medical treatment and it becomes necessary for the Foundation to render assistance or have a third party administer medical treatment, I agree not to hold the Foundation responsible for the consequences of my injuries or any claims, losses or damages arising there from. I further agree that I will be responsible for any medical bills incurred in my treatment, and will not hold the Foundation responsible therefore.

Student(s) and/or Tutor(s) name(s): _____

Signature of parent(s) if under 18: _____ Date: _____

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Student Application

Semester: _____ - _____

Name _____ Birth Date ____ / ____ / ____ Age ____ Grade ____

School _____ Dominant Hand ____ Sex: ____ Glasses Yes / No

Name _____ Birth Date ____ / ____ / ____ Age ____ Grade ____

School _____ Dominant Hand ____ Sex: ____ Glasses Yes / No

Parents Name _____ Telephone (____) _____

Address _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

E Mail Address _____

My child has permission to be given (if needed): Tylenol Yes/No

Please list any allergies or other medical information that might be needed:

Has your child been tested and recommended for admission into this program? _Yes / No

If so, Where? _____ Year? _____

Enclose the Registration Fee for each child with the application to hold your child's place in our program. The tuition is due at the beginning of the fall semester or alternate arrangements can be made by contacting the Director.

If Parent, Friend or Sibling (16 or Older) **Can** Tutor:

Registration fee \$75.00, Tuition \$300.00 Yearly Dues: \$20.00 for a total of \$395.00

NOTE: If tutor is absent and the student attends, there will be a \$40.00 additional charge for each Saturday the tutor is absent and the student attends.

If Parent, Friend or Sibling **Can Not** Tutor

Registration fee \$75.00, Tuition \$300.00, Yearly Dues \$20.00 Paid Tutor \$480.00 (\$40.00 a Saturday) for a total of \$875.00

Fees are not refundable

If you have any questions call
Karen Carson at 901 671-7399

Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis
7532 Hatch Circle
Arlington, TN 38002

Signature of Parent and/or Guardian _____ Date _____

Return Applications by Specified Deadline

Notice of Nondiscriminatory Policy as to students: The program admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students in the program. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, or other programs.

Emergency Contact Information: Name: _____

Relationship: _____ Phone Number: _____

Name _____

(Last) (First) (Middle)

Telephone () _____ Date of Birth ____ / ____ / ____ Sex _____

E Mail Address

Please describe any previous experience working with children: _____

Are you a current member of the Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis?

If not, please enclose a check for dues (\$20.00). Make checks payable to: Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis.

Please read carefully before signing:

I hereby make application for employment as a tutor in the Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis program. I understand that I am required to attend all training workshops without compensation. This application, if accepted, is binding only as long as I perform satisfactory service as a tutor. If I do not meet the requirements for attendance and services, a loss of pay will result. Hired tutors will be paid by the day at monthly intervals.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date _____

I have tutored: Math Language

None of the above

The following is for hired tutors only: Please list two references.

Name _____

Address _____ Telephone _____

Name _____

Address _____ Telephone _____

To be read and signed by parent of tutors under 18 years of age:

I hereby agree to support my child in his/her commitment to the Dyslexia Foundation. I am aware that this is a one-to-one tutoring situation and that he/she is required to be present every day.

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____

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