



The Yankees recently won the Kings Mountain 7-8 year-old Coach Pitch championship with a 10-1 record. Team members are, front row, left to right, Tray Sellers, Samuel Dye, Clint Johnson, Brandon Costner, Matthew Champion and Chaney Barnes. Second row, Tyler Fletcher, Josh Stroupe, Spencer Bagwell, Shelton Watson, Seth Brewer, Chris Reynolds. Back, coaches Tim Fletcher, Barney Dye, Jewel Watson, John Brewer and Eric Barnes. Not pictured, Chris Ledford.



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The KM Crusaders recently won the Coach Pitch Tournament at Martha Rivers Park in Gastonia. Front row, left to right, Wil Sellers, Damien Hill, Mitchell Cloninger. Second row, Matthew Moss, Dillon Smith, Brian Brown, Samuel Dye and Cameron Pittman. Third row, assistant coach Tim Ross, Micheal Homesley, Tanner Ross, Tony Walker, Tyler Fletcher, Austin Phillips and head coach Hank Powell. Back, assistant coaches Eddie Smith and Oliver Brown.

## KM Crusaders win Coach Pitch Tourney at Martha Rivers Park

The Kings Mountain Crusaders recently won the 7-8 year-old Coach Pitch Baseball Tournament at Martha Rivers Park in Gastonia.

Kings Mountain posted a 6-0 record during the tournament. Samuel Dye led the hitting with a perfect 1.000 average (12-for-12), and Damien Hill hit .941 (16-for-17).

Others over .500 included Brian Brian .842, Tyler Fletcher .867, Dylan Smith .789, Tanner Ross .769, Caron Pittman .750, Mitchell Cloninger .750, Austin Phillips .750, Micheal Homesley .667, Bubba Moss .692, Wil Sellers .667, and Tony Walker .615.

Kings Mountain defeated Belmont Reds 25-6, Cramerton 18-2, South Gastonia 15-0, St. Michaels 14-3, Lincolnton AAU 13-7, and the Gaston Hurricanes 8-7.

In the opening game, Brian Brown was 3-for-4 with a triple, and Tyler Fletcher was 2-for-4 with a double. Dylan Smith and Micheal Homesley led the defensive effort.

Against Cramerton, Dylan Smith and Samuel Dye led the hitting, and Camron Pittman and

Tanner Ross played good defense.

Damien Hill went 3-for-3 in the win over South Gastonia. Micheal Homesley played good defense at second base, and Bubba Moss did a good job behind the plate.

Homesley was 3-for-3 with a double, and Smith was 2-for-e in the win over St. Michaels. Austin Phillips, Wil Sellers and Mitchell Cloninger played well defensively.

Against Lincolnton, Pittman went 3-for-3 with a home run, and Austin Phillips was 2-for-3. Samuel Dye and Brian Brian led the defense.

In the championship win over the Gaston Hurricanes, Tanner Ross and Tony Walker each went 2-for-2 and Dylan Smith and Micheal Homesley came up with the big defensive plays.

Kings Mountain scored 94 runs and allowed only 25 in the six games.

"You can't ask for more from a team and its coaching staff than winning the tournament and keeping their heads in the game all the time," said head coach Hank Powell.



Kings Mountain's 7-year-old Coach Pitch All-Stars are pictured above. Front row, left to right, Tary Sellers, Matt Hoppes, Kannen Greene, Wil Sellers, Chaney Barnes and Chris Ledford. Second row, B.J. Philbeck, Cameron Pittman, Joshua Jones, Matthew Moss, Chris Allen, Clint Johnson, Matthew Sheppard, Talar Cash. BACK, coaches Rick Greene, Kyle Sheppard, Eric Barnes, Mark Johnson, Scott Hoppes. Not pictured, Trevaris Byers.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

# KM champions to Bedford, VA for AAA World Series

Kings Mountain's 9-10 year-old Dixie Youth All-Stars will compete in the AAA World Series next week in Bedford, VA.

The KM team recently defeated Columbus County two games to none in the North Carolina State Championship series in Biscoe.

Kings Mountain opens World Series play Monday at 8 p.m. against the Texas state champions. If they win, the local all-stars will play again on Tuesday night at 8 p.m. against the winner of the Georgia-Virginia game. If they lose, they will play the loser of the Georgia-Virginia game on Tuesday at 6 p.m.

The tournament continues through Saturday, August 18.

There are 12 teams in the double-elimination field, including the host Bedford team and state champions from South Carolina, Florida,

Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana, Tennessee, Arkansas, Georgia, Virginia, Texas and North Carolina.

### DIRECTIONS TO BEDFORD

Take I-85 North to Business 52 (Exit 87). Follow 52 to Business 40 East. Follow 40 East to Highway 158 North. 158 North runs into Highway 68. Take 68 North to Highway 220. Follow 220 to Highway 460 East, and follow 460 East to Bedford.

### Etters and Jackson win KMCC tourney

Josh Etters and Stoney Jackson shot a 61-65-126 Saturday and Sunday to win the Kings Mountain Country Club Junior/Member Tournament.

The format was a best ball on the front nine, and captain's

choice on the back nine.

Russ Putnam and Gerald Putnam finished second with a 64-74-138.

Tyler Deaton and Bill Hill won the B Division with a 71-70-141. Alex Dahl and Drew Dahl took second place in a playoff with Jordan Van Dyke and Richard Van Dyke. Both teams shot 151.

### Two softball leagues begin play August 20

Kings Mountain Area Church Softball League and Macedonia Baptist Church are planning two softball leagues to begin play on Monday, August 20.

The fall men's church league will play on Monday and Thursday. Teams wishing to participate should meet at the Macedonia softball field on Thursday, August 9 at 6:30.

A co-ed church league will play on Tuesday and Friday. Interested teams should meet at the Macedonia field on Thursday, August 9 at 7:30.

Entry fee for both leagues is \$300 and is due on August 9.

Both leagues will consist of no more than 10 teams.

Macedonia Baptist Church is located at 1101 South Battleground Avenue, Kings Mountain. The field is behind the church on Park Grace Road.

For more information, call Phil Wright at 734-0914.

### Baseball, soccer registration slated

Fall baseball and soccer registration will be held through August 10 at the Kings Mountain Family YMCA.

Boys and girls ages 4-12 are eligible for the baseball program, and boys and girls ages 3-9 are eligible for the soccer program.

For more information call 734-0449.

## Making Disciples Ministry

### Fall 2001 Bible Study Schedule

This Fall there will be twelve opportunities offered to learn and grow in the Lord. "Study to show thyself approved unto GOD, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." II Timothy 2:15

Bible Study	Day & Time	Start Date	Teacher
Experiencing God	Tuesday 6:30pm	Sept. 4th (12 wk)	Michael Ware/ Johnny Dover
First Place(Beginners)	Wednesday 6:00pm	Sept 12th (12 wk)	Stephanie Chambers
First (Repeaters)	Wednesday 6:00pm	Sept 12th (10 wk)	Amy Davis
Crown Ministries	Sunday 6:00pm	Sept. 9th (12 wk)	Mickey Lowrance & Brenda Black
Crown Ministries	Sunday 6:00pm	Sept. 9th (12 wk)	Eric Price & Jamie Black
Experiencing God As Couples	Sunday 6:00pm	Sept. 9th (8 wk)	Randy & Tracy Yarbrow
Building Your Marriage	Sunday 5:30pm	Sept. 9th (7 wk)	Randall & Tracy Wright
Old Testament Survey	Monday 6:30pm	Sept. 10th (13 wk)	Tracy Sullens
New Testament Survey	Monday 6:30pm	Sept. 10th (13 wk)	Kyle Shepard
Women of the Bible	Wednesday 7:00pm	Sept. 12th (6 wk)	Christi Gray
Beginning Steps (New Believers)	Sunday 9:45am (Sunday School)	Sept. 9th (6-8 wk)	Rusty Bridges
How Do You Walk Walk The Walk You Talk	Wednesday 7:00pm	Sept. 12th (6 wk)	Ashley Jones

### ORIENTATION & REGISTRATION DATES:

Sunday, August 19th & Sunday, August 26th at 3:30 p.m.

Location: Christian Freedom Baptist Fellowship Building  
All studies will be small group, classes will fill up quickly once orientation/registration begins.

An orientation for each study will be held on these dates, to introduce you to the studies. Registration will immediately follow orientation. Here you will be able to sign up for the study the Lord has led you, through prayer, to take. At this time, you will pay for the materials needed for the study.

Catalogs will be given out detailing each bible study.  
If you have any questions concerning the studies contact Vince & Ashley Sullens

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