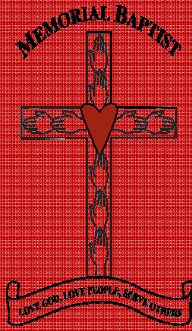


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The Heartbeat Newsletter

Love God, Love People, Serve Others.



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ENCOUNTERING GOD

Last night I pulled out our old Wii gaming system and began to hook it up. The system has sat in a box for many years and I wasn't quite sure where everything was located or if it would even work. We had talked to the boys about it for a while, but we seemed to get too busy to actually do it. The process of locating everything, putting it together on a wall-mounted TV and making the adjustments necessary for the boys to play took some time, but in the end it was all worth it.

The first game I put in for the boys to play was Toy Story Mania. It was a game we got for Lauren many years ago after the ride "Toy Story Mania" opened at Disney's Hollywood Studios in Florida. It was a game we played often when Lauren was young, and the boy's excitement was equal to hers having ridden the same ride at Disney. They instantly recognized it and I literally had to take the controllers away from them to get them ready for bed. They loved it. Something that was old and not quite HD quality got a Christmas morning reaction from the two of them and they can't wait to play again and again.

I remember a day when I reacted that way to every church or Christian event being held and couldn't wait for the next opportunity. Whether it was going to church camp, mission trips, concerts, or Sunday School or Worship service. It was always a Great time and something I wanted to be part of and invite people to be part of it with me. Most of my friends were always willing to come with me because they wanted to experience the stuff I was talking about. Much like my boys talking over and over about our old gaming system wanting to experience the same thing we had talked about.

Church isn't always flashy and glamorous, but the one thing that never changes is the one whom everything points to. We become comfortable in our routine and rarely think about the times when we first encountered Christ, or when we had an experience with Him. We are involved in the greatest work in the world, serving the Lord of All creation. It's a ministry that changes lives and results in an eternity with Him and all who believe. It is exciting, but it is hard work as well.

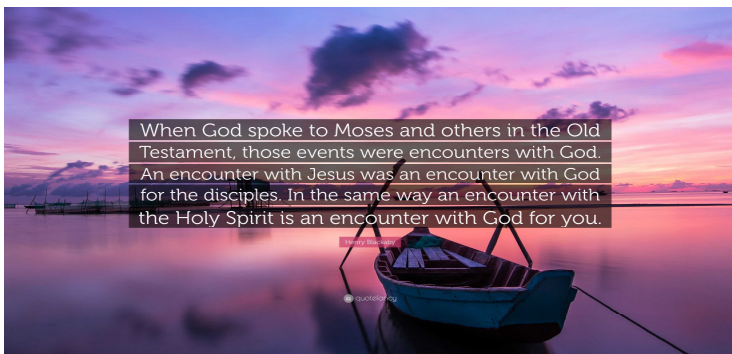
God didn't say our path would be easy, but it is worth it. Most of us have done the work and have now settled into a routine with regular highs and lows. Serving the Lord can be the greatest honor of our lives, but it can be tough and painful. However, when you look back at your journey in Christ, the highs always outweigh the lows. During your journey you will notice that God was closest to you during those low times, and you felt closest during the highs! Easier to see from the Mountaintop!

I want to encourage you to remember the excitement and mountaintop experiences and the low troubling times and see how God remained faithful to you through it all. This Sunday we will gather to worship together at 10:50 A.M. and whether you at a high point or low point, God will be there! When you think about inviting someone to join you, go ahead and do it because He will show up! He is faithful and just to those who follow him. Each day and each moment is another opportunity to serve and experience him. Whether you been doing the same thing for as long as you can remember, its always a new experience when Christ is involved. We need to approach every day with excitement and anticipation of what God is going to do next, and how we can be part of it. I can't wait to worship with you Sunday! Bring a friend and see what God does!

See



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SEPT

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
3 Bible Study, 9:30 A.M. Worship Service & Facebook, 10:50 A.M.	4 LABOR DAY Office Closed	5 GYF Brown Barrel / Blind Harry's, Midway, 11:30 A.M.	6 Bible Study, 10 A.M. Bible Study & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M.	7 Equip w/KBC, Winchester, KY, 5:30 P.M.	1	2
10 Bible Study, 9:30 A.M. Worship Service & Facebook, 10:50 A.M. SNL, 4:30 P.M. Youth, 6 P.M.	11	12	13 Bible Study, 10 A.M. Bible Study & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M.	14	15	16
ELIZA BROADUS OFFERING / WEEK OF PRAYER SEPT. 10-17						
17 Bible Study, 9:30 A.M. Worship Service & Facebook, 10:50 A.M. SNL, 4:30 P.M. Youth, 6 P.M.	18	19	20 Bible Study, 10 A.M. Bible Study & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M.	21 Bunco, 6 P.M.	22	23
24 Bible Study, 9:30 A.M. Worship Service & Facebook, 10:50 A.M. SNL, 4:30 P.M. Church Picnic, 5 P.M. Youth, 6 P.M.	25	26	27 Bible Study, 10 A.M. Bible Study & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M.	28	29	30

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

Adult Bible Study 10 A.M.
 Adult Prayer & Bible Study 6-7:30 P.M.
 Awana (ages 3 - 8th grade) 6-7:30 P.M.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Praise Band Practice 8:30 A.M.
 Children & Youth Bible Study 9:30-10:40 A.M.
 Adult Bible Study 9:40-10:40 A.M.
 Sunday Worship 10:50 A.M. – 12 NOON

BIRTHDAY

1 Donna Jones	16 Harry Smith
2 Larry Johnson	18 Benny Young
2 Donna Howard	19 Dianna Moore
6 Lauran Meadows	21 Connor Wheeler
11 James Wallace	23 Cara Meadows
12 Carolyn Rayborn	26 Angela Anglin

CHRISTIAN BOOK CLUB

The Christian Book Club will start on Sat. Sept. 23 at 10 a.m. We will be reading Bad Girls of the Bible by Liz Curtis Higgs. You can contact Dianna Moore or Deb Colston.

MISSIONS

We are collecting paper towels, tissues & baby wipes for Second Street School. We will also be collecting gently used shirts, pants, socks (no holes, tears, or stains) and new underwear to support the School Resource Office. This will be an ongoing collection. If you have any questions, contact Dianna Moore.

GIVING



GIVE VIA TEXT MESSAGE

Text 'MBCFrank' and the amount you want to give to 73256.

- 1 Click the link
- 2 Complete your gift

Giving is also available online at www.memorialfrankfort.com

You can also go to the App Store and download the Abundant Giving App. Then find Memorial Baptist Church. This will link you, so you can give from any place, or at any time.

THANK YOU

From Avenues for Women for your donations from our Baby Bottle Fundraiser. MBC's total donated was \$248.76. Thank you to all who gave generously to help us reach our goal. Linda Scott, Director of Avenues



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UPCOMING EVENTS

SNL (Sunday Night Live)

Start back on Sun., Sept. 10 in Kid's Cove from 4:30- 5 P.M.

YOUTH SMALL GROUPS

Start back on Sun., Sept. 10 at 6 P.M. at the Meadows' House.

GYF LUNCH TRIP

Tuesday, Sept. 5 at Brown Barrel / Blind Harry's Restaurant, Midway at 11:30 A.M. Please let Donna Howard know if you are going.

LADIES BUNCO NIGHT

Third Thursday, Sept. 21 in the Youth Area. They will have light snacks from 6-6:30 P.M. and Bunco starts at 6:30 If you are interested, go to the Cinderellas Closet Central KY.

EQUIP TRAINING EVENT WITH KBC

Thursday, September 7, 2023 from 5:30-8:40 P.M. Central Baptist Church, 101 W. Lexington Ave., Winchester, KY \$15 per person.

KENTUCKY WMU NEW MISSION CONFERENCE FOR WOMEN

September 8 & 9, 2023
Springdale Community Church, Louisville, KY
Discover how you can proclaim the gospel in your community through gospel conversations without anxiety. The cost is \$35 per person or go online and enter the code EARLYBIRD23 and the cost is \$25. Go to KYWMU.ORG/PROCLAIM. Keynote speaker is Kristy Yeldell.

For the Record

	Sunday July 30	Sunday Aug. 6	Sunday Aug. 13	Sunday Aug. 20		Totals
Bible Study	50	44	47	38		
Worship Service	66	55	52	48		
Facebook	123-7	-	115-11	120-4		
Budget Offerings	5,050.00	2,077.00	3,745.00	5,780.00		16,652.00
Lord OT Harvest	675.00	480.00	650.00	1,060.00		2,865.00
Designated Gifts	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00		50.00
Total Gifts	5,725.00	2,557.00	4,395.00	7,236.00		19,913.00



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Future Events



Immanuel Baptist Church * Lexington, KY * October 20-21, 2023

God has uniquely gifted women to serve the local church in a variety of ways.

During Cultivate, we'll be learning to cultivate our identity, purpose, and calling. Through rich, Bible teaching, engaging worship, and opportunities to learn from one another, Cultivate will help you understand your spiritual giftedness and how those gifts can enrich the body of Christ. Grab a friend or bring your entire women's ministry! Let's discover ways to impact the local church for the glory of God!

FRIDAY

7 P.M. Session I
 9 P.M. Smores Fellowship

SATURDAY

9 A.M. Session II
 10 A.M. Session III

Events Personalities are Elaina Barron, Emily Dean, Shari Edwards, Ron Edmondson, Jonathan & Emily Martin, Sara Robinson. The cost is \$39 per person. For more information or to signup go to www.kybaptist.org/cultivate/