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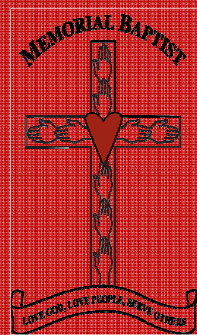
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The Heartbeat

Newsletter

Love God, Love People, Serve Others.



Pastors:

Mike Colston

Lee Meadows

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happy
new year

⁷ "But blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, whose confidence is in him.

⁸ They will be like a tree planted by the water
that sends out its roots by the stream.

It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green.
It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit."

Jeremiah 17 : 7-8

I LOVE CHRISTMAS!

It's the week before Christmas. Many of us are busy getting last-minute gifts and making sure everything is wrapped and ready. We are making final plans for our Christmas celebrations and meals. Organizing our Christmas cards and menus while trying to soak up as much family time as possible. It's my favorite time of the year.

I love Christmas! It doesn't hurt that two days after Christmas is my birthday to add even more excitement to this time of the year, but I have always loved the time from Thanksgiving to the end of the year. Spending extra time with friends and family, slowing down a little bit, and enjoying having a full house makes this season the best. Having our daughter home for college for a bit, school being out, and time to sit and enjoy the chaos is something I have always enjoyed.

My dad loved Christmas. He acted like it was a pain, but deep down he loved preparing for our large family to be together and making sure everything was just right. I miss him quite often, but especially during this season. Shedding tears and showing emotion is not something I do often, but a lot of memories of him revolve around our Christmas celebrations. He was the best, flaws and all.

The season of Advent that leads up to Christmas is one of hope. The hope of the coming Savior and promise of Him returning one day. A season of remembering and celebrating the arrival of Jesus. It's a time to remind us of the importance of Christ in our lives, and an opportunity to help prepare to celebrate Christ's birth at Christmas.

Luke 1:14 says, "And you will have joy and gladness and many will rejoice at his birth."



This Sunday we will celebrate communion together as a reminder that while His birth occurred at Christmas, the hope we have comes from what He did on the Cross. His sacrifice gave us reason to celebrate his birth, knowing His coming made a way to find peace through the cross. If you don't have that peace, there would be no better time for you to experience true peace by inviting Him to be part of your life.

I hope that each of you take time to spend Real time with your family and loved ones this season. Soak up the time you have together. Be thankful for the opportunity you have to celebrate our Savior's Birth together. Don't get caught up in all the buying and spending, but in the relationships with one another and with Jesus. Experience the hope Jesus brought the world when He was born in Bethlehem on that first Christmas morning!

Look forward to celebrating with you on Sunday!

See



Lee Meadows

Pastor for Youth

JAN

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 9:30-10:40 A.M.
 Bible Study
 Adult Bible Study 9:40-10:40 A.M.
 Sunday Worship 10:50 A.M.- 12 NOON

BIRTHDAY

1 Guy Gilbert 13 Trina Wallace
 5 Jackson Austin 15 Micheal Fraley
 7 Addison Fraley 21 Sharon Parrent
 8 Bonnie Franklin 22 Barbara Whitehouse
 9 Daniel Welch 23 Paula Collins
 10 Maddie Starkey 26 Tyler Anglin
 12 Nancy Vaughn 28 Tommy Bright
 12 Jennifer Ringrose

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR Office Closed	2 GYF Mtg., 12 NOON	3 Bible Study, 10 A.M. Bible Study & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M.	4	5	6
7 Bible Study, 9:30 A.M. Worship Service & Facebook, 10:50 A.M. SNL, 4:30 P.M. Deacon Ordination, 6 P.M. Youth, 6 P.M.	8	9	10 Blood Drive, 8 A.M. Bible Study, 10 A.M. Bible Study & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M.	11	12	13
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CHRISTIAN BOOK CLUB

The Christian Book Club will start back in January. 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.

THANK YOU

Thanks to everyone for all of your help to make this year a great one at Memorial. Thanks for all you have done to keep the church going and being a beacon of hope to our community. Thank you for your generosity during the year and at Christmas. We are blessed to be able to serve the people of MBC. Mike, Lee & Virginia

SYMPATHY

Deepest sympathy to the family of Paul Combs. He was the father of Pat Sawyer.

Deepest sympathy to the family of James F. Banks. He was the brother of David Banks.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SNL (Sunday Night Live)

Sunday Nights in Kid's Cove from 4:30- 5 P.M.

YOUTH SMALL GROUPS

Sunday Nights at 6 P.M. at the Meadows' House.

GYF EVENT

Tuesday, January 2 at 12 NOON in the Narthex.

Blood Drive

Kentucky Blood Center at Memorial on Wednesday, January 10, 2024 in the Narthex. Sign up on the Central Kentucky Blood Center website.

Office Closed

New Years Day, Monday, January 1, 2024

Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Monday, January 15, 2024.

BUNCO

Thursday, January 18 at 6 P.M in the Youth Room.

GIVING STATEMENTS

We will be sending out the giving statements in January. If you would like to receive by email or have it mailed to you, please contact the church office and let us know how you would like to receive yours.

Donation given in memory of Nancy Snook.
Donation given in memory of Tony & David Marraccini.

For the Record

	Sunday Dec. 3	Sunday Dec. 10	Sunday Dec. 17			Totals
Bible Study	55	49	50			
Worship Service	58	63	85			
Facebook	118-7	129-5	155-4			
Budget Offerings	4,173.56	2,879.00	5,591.00			12,643.56
Lord OT Harvest	715.00	275.00	1,210.00			2,200.00
Designated Gifts	63.00	160.00	902.00			1,125.00
Online Giving	230.00	100.00	880.00			1,210.00
Total Gifts	5,181.56	3,414.00	8,583.00			17,178.56



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Future Events

A graphic for a Deacon Ordination Service. The background is dark blue with light rays and small white dots. At the bottom, an open Bible is shown. The text is centered and reads: "DEACON" in a simple white font, "Ordination" in a large, elegant white script font, and "Service" in a large, elegant white script font. Below this, it says "For Linda Whitt" and "Sunday, January 7 at 5 P.M." in a white sans-serif font.

DEACON
Ordination
Service
For Linda Whitt
Sunday, January 7 at 5 P.M.