

Living Sent

Mount Zion Baptist Church | October 2025



I have absolutely loved preaching about faith over the last couple of months, and I'm encouraged by the responses I've received. Our annual Trunk -N- Treat is right around the corner! This event is typically very large and can draw up to 1,500 people. What would it look like for us to approach this event with strong faith?

This event is not about giving candy to the children of our church. No parent needs the church to provide candy for their children—we know you are more than capable of that without any help from us. It's not even primarily about the games (though I personally love seeing our church come together to fellowship and have fun). Instead, I want to encourage you to think missionally about our Trunk -N- Treat. Everything we do here at Mount Zion Baptist Church must be about the Harvest. This entire effort is about reaching people with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

During a time when many around the country celebrate darkness, our church will shine the light of Christ into our community. What if our church reached just one family?

Picture this: a young family from a nearby neighborhood attends our event and says to themselves, "Our kids had such a nice time—maybe we should try visiting this church." The next Sunday, they come and engage in our worship service. Their children make friends and have a wonderful experience. Now imagine that one of their family members comes to faith in Christ and is baptized. That same family, over time, begins serving in ministry and missions. Then, they reach out to their friends and neighbors, sharing what God is doing in their lives and inviting others to church. Imagine the glorious ripple effect of reaching just one family! And now imagine not just one, but ten families meaningfully joining our church in this way. This is what God is capable of doing through this one outreach event!

We are going to do everything we can to ensure that this event is missional. Every family that attends Trunk -N- Treat will receive a gospel presentation, a "save the date" card for VBS, and an invitation to our December Christmas events. We will do everything possible to ensure that our community has a wonderful time while on our campus. There are a few things that you can do to help us make this event effective.

Here are three ways you can help us reach people:

1. Pray that God would draw the right families to attend.
2. Volunteer. Every year, we need people to decorate cars, host games, hand out candy, prepare food, and serve in the welcome tents.
3. Invite your friends and neighbors. This is the most effective way for us to reach our community.

Thank you for being part of this mission to shine the light of the Gospel. May the Lord supernaturally use this event to build His kingdom in wonderful ways!

I am so honored and blessed to be your pastor.

With love,

Pastor Kevin

Wednesday Night Supper

October 1

BBQ Sandwich, Chips, Beans & Dessert
Kid's Menu: Pizza

October 15

Chicken Taco Soup (no beans), Salad &
Dessert or Boxed Salad*
Kid's Menu: Pizza

October 22

Lasagna, Salad, Bread & Dessert or Boxed
Salad
Kid's Menu: Spaghetti

October 29

Chicken Tenders, Potatoes, Green Beans &
Dessert or Boxed Salad*
Kid's Menu: Chicken Nuggets

*Gluten-Free

Reservations are required and can be made
online at mzbc.net or in the MZBC App. The
deadline to register is on Mondays at
midnight.

Minister On Call

October 3-5

Joey Collins (601) 287-2662

October 10-12

Mark Jacobs (256) 797-4377

October 17-19

Greg Stringfield (256) 631-0132

October 24-26

Braxton Blankenship (662) 416-3124

October 31-November 2

David Henderson (334) 676-9313

Deacon On Call

October 5

Matthew Deloney (256) 694-9277

October 12

Tim Garner (256) 755-1063

October 19

George Foust (256) 527-6223

October 26

Scott Harmening (256) 658-6781



CHAPEL WORSHIP

October 12 & 26

5pm | Chapel

Led by Pastor Mike Nolen

Myers - Mallory

state missions offering

MZBC Goal: \$31,000

Given to Date: \$20,712

MZBC Giving

Given to Date | \$3,439,035

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MZBC ADULTS

Legacy Planning

October 26 | 12:20pm | Fellowship Hall

The Baptist Foundation of Alabama will be here to provide the tools and resources you need to begin your legacy planning. A light lunch will be provided. The deadline to sign up is Sunday, October 19.

Registration Link |

<https://mzbc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/1314/respenses/new>

Men's Ministry

Man Up | Mondays | 6:00pm | Fellowship Hall

[Man Up will not meet on October 6.]

Biscuits & Brothers | Thursdays | 6:00am

Fellowship Hall

[Biscuits & Brothers will not meet on October 9.]

College & Young Adults

Worship & Bible Study

Sunday Nights | 6:30pm | Fellowship Hall

Email us at mountzion@mzbc.net for more information.

MZBC SENIOR ADULTS 60+

FALL is in the air! And with this change comes the change in the monthly calendar, the cooling temps, and the wonderful opportunities for growth as a church family. September sure allowed us to see good blessings from our Lord Jesus... special chapel services that focused on "God's Hall of Fame", "Singfest" with Frank Jones, dynamic worship each Sunday morning, precious souls baptized in obedience to Christ, a strong "Re-Man" event with our men, a good monthly luncheon and fellowship, and other special times with God's people. Our Lord has certainly favored our MZBC family!

Our Senior Adults look forward to Chapel Worship services, our Celebrator's Trip, our monthly luncheon, weekly prayer meetings and much more! Our people are active in so many different ministries and this blesses my heart. I think of our homebound visits that minister to dozens of precious souls, our Love Packages ministry, the work with HAP to feed others, our Lunches of Love at the schools, the ministry to teens at Greenhouse, and others. THANK YOU to each of you who invest your time and energies in OTHERS!

JESUS wants us to live this last chapter of our lives by giving ourselves away. When we give our time, talents and treasures, I believe we are being more like Jesus wants us to be by investing in the needs of others. When this occurs, we are more fulfilled and others are more blessed by our efforts! So, find a person today you can encourage, speak a kind word, offer a compliment, or make a visit to brighten their day. There's always a need to be met.

JACKIE and I recently took a trip on an airplane. Being high in the sky once again gave me the reminder of how big our world is and yet, how much bigger is our God! As I live each day, I want to be aware of the needs around me, but I also want remember HOW BIG MY GOD IS! Let's live for Him today, and let's live for other, too. We love each of you and thank God daily for our Mt. Zion family... may God continue to bless you and our church!

His for More Souls,
Pastor Mike

SonShine Lunch | September 25 | 10:30am
Potluck meal in the Gym with guest speaker.



MISSIONS & OUTREACH

Pray for IMPACT

October 12-25 | S. Asia Impact Team

Winter Olympics Team | February 13-22

Milan, Italy | Team Size: 10

Registration Link |

<https://mzbc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/1312/respnses/new>

ENABLE Winter Work Day

November 1 | 8am - 12 noon

Home Winterization Projects | Supplies Provided

Volunteer Registration Link |

<https://mzbc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/1322/responses/new>

MZBC STUDENTS (Grades 7-12)

Sunday Morning Small Group

9:45am | Chapel

Greenhouse

Wednesdays | 6:15pm | Chapel

5TH QUARTER

October 17 | 10pm to 12am

STUDENT FALL RETREAT

October 24-26 | Shocco Springs

7th-12th Grades | Cost: \$140

Student Registration Link |

<https://mzbc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/1294/respnses/new>

MZBC KIDS



Volunteers are needed for the following:

- Sponsor, decorate a vehicle & host a game
- Registration
- Security
- Greeters
- Cooks for Hot Dogs
- Servers for Food & Drink
- Popcorn
- Activity Stations

Individually wrapped candy and treats are needed to hand out at the event. You may place these in the collection bins in the Commons Area and CMC Lobby.

Click the Link Below to Volunteer

<https://mzbc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/1309/responses/new>

