

September, 2018



Hello Everyone,

Looking into the coming of Fall for the year, I know many of us get down when the season begins to change. We see the leaves begin to change and we know that cooler weather is on the way. Many of us are seeing change come to our lives. We get older, children move out, and many of us have lost friends and loved ones. Often with change comes hurt. You may be hurting now, but that does not mean that God has forgotten about you. His mind and heart are still with you. It is hard to move forward when we feel like God has left us. We must remember that God never leaves us. If you are a born-again child of the King then he is always with you. Do not let the changes in life overshadow the powerful God who we serve. Our human side has a way of making us doubt and fear. Remember what Paul said to Timothy in 2 Timothy 1:7 "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of sound mind." God designed us and his world to change, and that's ok. As the leaves change and we grow older remember that God is the unchanging force that loves us all. God's love cannot be fully understood, yet it reaches us all. When the world has abandoned us, Jesus is there. When life seems like we can't take another step, God carries us. Do not loose heart, your God is more powerful than any fear you will ever face. Give Jesus all your cares, burdens, and strife. Allow him to fight the battle. God is still on his throne, and he loves you more than you can ever know. Praise him today for being our Heavenly Father and know he cares for you. May each of you be blessed and have a great day.

Bro. Clint



Brotherhood Breakfast

Sunday, September 16 8:00 a.m.

Guest Speaker: Richard Bradfield

All men & boys are invited.

Brotherhood Mission Project - DHR Underwear Drive

Everyone is encouraged to donate children's underwear.

A collection box will be located in the Welcome Center.

Currently, DHR has approximately 290 children in foster care and works with other children in their home and out of their home.

In Memoriam

A donation has been given to James Memorial Baptist Church General Fund in memory of Estelle Arrington by Mary Collins, Bob & Anne Lowery, Deborah Davis, Gene & Donna Henry and CWA Local 3901 & 3904 Retirement Members Club and Judy Weems.

A donation was given to the Back Pack Ministry of James Memorial in memory of Estelle Arrington by Zoe Benefield.

A donation was made to the JMBC Restoration Fund in loving memory of Estelle Arrington by Kathy & Pat Sherrill.



WOM Meeting

September 11, 5:30 p.m.

At the church - All ladies are invited!

Thanks to everyone who provided school supplies for the Community and EBA Mission Center.

It was greatly appreciated. There should be enough supplies to last them for the school year.

Churchwide Mission Project for September:

Etowah Pregnancy Testing Center

Baby clothes, diapers, maternity clothes, car seats, money and volunteers are needed.



As school has started back this Fall, let me challenge you to dig deep into God's Word. Although most of us may be finished with school, we should never stop studying His Holy Word. Our faith is based on the Word, "So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ" (Rom 10:17 ESV). Studying the Word also cleanses and renews our minds, "that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word", (Eph 5:26-27 ESV). The word cuts deep to show us our faults "For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart". (Heb 4:12 ESV) The Word is our weapon against the enemy, "and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God", (Eph 6:17 ESV). Jesus said these words, "it is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life". (John 6:63 ESV) We must have God's Word. It is the very basis of the Christian life. Jesus is the word in the flesh (John 1). Let us dedicate ourselves to studying God's Word not just corporately but individually as well. Love in Christ, Matt

In Sympathy

The Staff and JMBC Church Family extends Christian sympathy to the Family of Estelle Arrington. Mrs. Arrington passed away on Monday, August 13, 2018.

Coat Donations - It's not too early to start donating coats for the school children this year!



Chonda Pierce in Concert Saturday, October 27 7:00 p.m.

For more details, see info sheets /sign up sheet in the Welcome Center.

Bingo for Adults - Friday, September 21, 6 - 8 p.m.

Your thoughtful cards and kind gestures have been meaningful to us over the past weeks. We have missed worshipping with and being around our many friends. We are especially thankful for your continuing thoughts and prayers. "He Keeps Me Singing," and for this, "To God be the Glory!" - Marjorie and Joe Hall

Just A Note

My mother always told me to be careful about choices I made in life. "Always remember, you reap what you sow." When most of us think about the concept of reaping what we sow, we usually think of this in the negative sense. We think of paying the consequences for sinful actions of foolish choices. These laws can also be positive and stand as a promise of blessing for sowing that which is good. Galatians 6:7-8 "Do not be deceived, God is not mocked, for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh shall from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit shall from the Spirit reap eternal life." The choir is working on planting good seed to reap a harvest of praise to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! Come join us in praise and worship to the One Who is Worthy! For He inhabits the praise of His people..... Myra

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Activities/Services	Wednesday Activities/Services
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School 11:00 a.m. - Morning Service	6:30 p.m. - Prayer Meeting/ Bible Study, Youth Worship, Children in Action

September Meetings and Events

- ◆ Deacons' Meeting, September 9, 8:30 a.m.
- ◆ WOM, September 11, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆ Brotherhood Breakfast, September 16, 8:00 a.m.
- ◆ Bingo for Adults, September 21, 6:00 p.m.

Quarterly Business Meeting October 10. 6:30 p.m.

Financial Statements If you would like a copy of the monthly financial statement, you may come by the office to pick one up or have one mailed to you. For security reasons, we no longer post the financial information in the Messenger or bulletin.

Blessing Box/Food Pantry

Items are needed for the Blessing Box/Food Pantry. Place items directly in the Box or put in plastic container in the Welcome Center. Thanks for your help!

Deacons - Security/Greeters

- Sept. 2** Pat Sherrill - 256-543-7742, Paul Allen - 256-458-3683
- Sept. 9** Donny Hunter - 256-504-8820, Paul Allen - 256-458-3683
- Sept. 16** Bob Lowery - 256-390-1208, Steve Snyder - 256-546-7557
- Sept. 23** Robin Roberts - 256-393-9415, Sam Ashley - 256-504-8224
- Sept. 30** - Pat Sherrill - 256-543-7742, Paul Allen - 256-458-3683

Sunday Counting

Paul Allen, Rickey Frasier

Ushers

- Sept. 2** - Bryant Allen, Pat Sherrill, Bob Lowery, Rickey Frasier, Robby Robertson
- Sept. 9** - Alexander Allen, Gene Johnson
Robin Roberts, Sam Ashley
- Sept. 16** - Bryant Allen, Pat Sherrill, Bob Lowery, Rickey Frasier, Robby Robertson
- Sept. 23** - Alexander Allen, Gene Johnson
Robin Roberts, Sam Ashley
- Sept. 30** - Bryant Allen, Pat Sherrill, Bob Lowery, Rickey Frasier, Robby Robertson

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In God We Trust
Psalms 56:4

VITAL STATISTICS

Sunday, July 29, 2018

Sunday School Attendance 63
Worship Attendance 68

Sunday, August 5, 2018

Sunday School Attendance 61
Worship Attendance 95

Sunday, August 12, 2018

Sunday School Attendance 63
Worship Attendance 86

Sunday, August 19, 2018

Sunday School Attendance 63
Worship Attendance 75

Sunday, August 26, 2018

Sunday School Attendance 61
Worship Attendance 80

JMBC Staff

- Clint MoonPastor
- Matt (Julie) Johnson..... Minister of Youth
- Myra Reagan Choir/Music Director
- Marjorie Hall Organist
- Marie Barnes Guest Pianist
- Rachel Chaney Secretary
- Murray McBurnett Custodian

Miss a Service?

You can live stream the service on Facebook.

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The Messenger

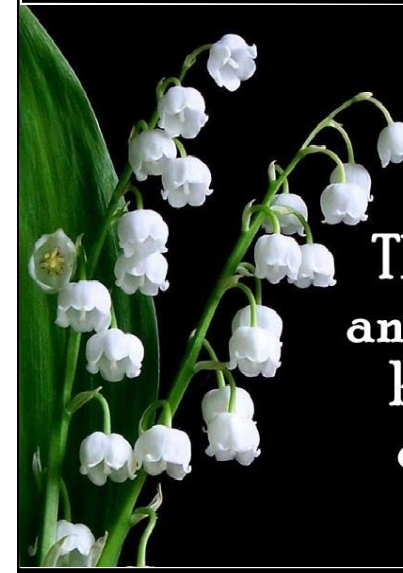
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Isaiah 40:8

**The grass withers
and the flowers fall
but the word of
our God stands
forever.....**

**Exalting the Savior, Equipping the Saints,
Evangelizing the Sinner”**