Prayer guides available in the bulletin and on the foyer table. Special offering envelopes are in the pews.

Week of Prayer
Dec 2-9
You are part of reaching every nation with the gospel.

IMB Lottie Moon Missions Offering

Please join us!

Van Bebber’s
446 So. 7th St., Auburn

First Sunday
Dec 2nd
9:00am

Saturday
Dec 15th
Ladies Christmas Brunch
10:30-12:30am
@ Patricia’s
Bring a wrapped Christmas ornament

Christmas Eve Service
December 24th
8:00pm

Christmas Open House
December 21st
6:00-9:00pm
Christmas is a time when we think about giving! Well, at least some of us. When I was a kid, I was thinking more about what I was going to get for Christmas. As we mature and grow older we think more, hopefully, about giving. Christmas should remind us most of all about the Greatest Gift— that “God so loved the world that He gave His One and Only Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.” I hope that as we give and receive gifts this Christmas we will remember the Greatest Gift of all is Jesus and the best gift we can give to others is the Good News about Him!

Meadowbrook Baptist Church now has online and text giving. To give online go to meadowbrookbaptistchurch.org and click on Online Giving. To give by text, text the following: meadowbrookbaptist to 73256. More information regarding online giving will be forthcoming.

Please remember as well our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions. We will make a difference as we not only give to this special offering but as we personally get involved in taking and sharing the message of Jesus Christ around the world.

Christmas is a time of giving, but the greatest thing you can give is yourself to the Lord which first and foremost means giving your heart and life to Him. Have you received Jesus as your Lord and Savior?

As always, I love you all very much and want to wish you a very Merry Christmas!

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia for the auditorium in memory/honor of a loved one, please complete the bulletin insert and place in the offering plate along with $6.

Sunday mornings 9:30am for all ages
Build relationships while studying the Bible in a small setting.
The coffee is always on!

Al’s ½ Note

Eons ago when I was young, we would have problems trying to get an acceptable “focus” on our television. We had what we called rabbit ears to get a signal (we didn’t have cable back then). If the rabbit ears didn’t perform well enough, we would resort to using metal coat hangers and/or aluminum foil draped across the rabbit ears hoping for an improvement in clarity. We would exert all of this effort to get the correct “focus” for our pleasure and enjoyment.

We must also have the correct “focus” on Christmas or we will miss the real picture. We run all over the place obtaining the perfect gift for all of our friends, relatives, etc. We make elaborate plans for parties, purchase all of the right clothing, and spend so much of our time for OUR ideal celebrations. We plan lavish dinners and put even more efforts on parties... Celebrating this way is ok as long as we see the real reason behind Christmas. Jesus came to earth, leaving the greatest place ever. He came and didn’t experience gratitude of any form. He was rejected, mocked, cursed, almost stoned, whipped, scorned, abused beyond comprehension, and finally crucified in a cruel and inhumane death on the cross. He gave this sacrifice because of His love for all mankind. He paid for all of our sin in full, willingly.

This Christmas why don’t we give Jesus our all, and focus on the greatest gift ever given to us, all paid for. He is coming back one day, and we don’t even know when, only God the Father knows. When He returns, is He going to find us having the wrong focus in our celebrating? We must always remember that Jesus is the reason for the season. In all of our plans let’s keep Jesus the center of everything.

Merry Christmas and God’s blessing on you and yours.

Luv ya’ll,
Al
Youth Events Coming Up:
- Dec 2  Breakfast  9am
- Dec 12  Youth Party  7pm
- Dec 24  Christmas Eve Service

Join us weekly for:

The Gathering
Sunday 9:30am

Sunday School for all ages
every Sunday- 9:30am

Pre-K thru 6th grade
Wednesdays
7:00-8:00pm

Tuesday
7:00pm

No youth group Dec 19 - Jan 2
Enjoy time with your family.

Wednesday
7:00pm

Christmas Party
Bring a wrapped gift $5 or less

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Building Cleaning
Sign-ups
Volunteers are needed to clean the building once a month.
Sign-up sheet for November & December is on the office door.
Thank you for serving with a servant’s heart!

Building/AC update...
If you feel led to continue giving towards the Building/AC fund please mark your check & envelope “Building/AC”. Money will be used for some much needed repairs and updates to the building.
Thank you for giving above and beyond.

Financial News Year-to-Date
As of Nov 25th
Needed to date $ 93,530.00
Received to date $ 73,556.59

Checking Account $ 3,712.75
Building/AC to date $ 351.00
Lottie Moon to date $ 85.00

To our Family and Friends
December
3  Jodi Wright
7  Alice Van Bebber
9  Haleigh Brummet
11  Brayden Sink
12  Ray Lancaster, Jr
17  Carrie McElyea
27  David Van Bebber

We want to include all of our church family. Please let us know if we have overlooked your birthday.
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Auburn, Illinois 62615  
Phone: (217) 438-3428  
E-mail: Meadowbrook@royell.org

Pastor:  
David L. Van Bebber  
Church: (217) 438-3428  
Cell Phone: (217) 836-9117

Sunday Schedule  
9:30 a.m. - Bible Study for all  
10:40 a.m. - Morning Worship

Wednesday Schedule  
6:15 p.m. - Praise Team  
7:00 p.m. - Adult Bible Study  
- TeamKID  
- Youth IGNITE

†Faithful Servants in December†

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Todd Brummett, Jesse Brummett, Pat Stuhmer  
Jesse Brummett, Pat Stuhmer, Mike Crocker  
Pat Stuhmer, Mike Crocker, Lonnie Cain  
Counting Team  
Louise Dudley & Sarah Brummett  
Jodi Rector & Hettie Crocker  
Brian Rector & Pat Stuhmer  
Kim Brown & Kristi Lancaster  
Louise Dudley & Sarah Brummett

MARK YOUR CALENDARS -- IF YOU CANNOT SERVE ON THE DATE INDICATED, PLEASE TRADE WITH SOMEONE ELSE.