
MEADOWBROOK NEWS

April 2016

Newsletter of Meadowbrook Baptist Church

www.meadowbrookbaptistchurch.org

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April SERMON SERIES...



WOW
WOMEN OF WORTH

A poster for a "priority Women's Resource Conference". The word "priority" is in a light blue, lowercase font. Below it, "Women's Resource Conference" is in a smaller black font. The dates "April 29-30" are in a large, white font on a red background. The location "Tabernacle Baptist Church Decatur • Cost is \$25" is also on the red background. A quote in white text reads: "Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith." - Hebrews 10:22. The IBSA logo (Illinois Baptist State Association) is at the bottom right.

BUSINESS MEETING

Sunday, April 17th
6:00pm

To register go to: www.IBSA.org/women

NOTICE: NO April breakfast
Next breakfast will be May 8th

We are in the process of planning a ladies' "Paint Day" with Lonnie Cain. This is open for all ladies and girls in high school. There is a sign-up sheet on the foyer bulletin board for those interested. More info to come.

THE GATHERING

Friday, April 15, 7:00pm
Chatham Baptist Church


A **FREE** evening of games, skits, music and food for **teenagers**.

Let Patricia know if you would like to attend.



*From My Heart
to Yours
By Pastor
David Van Bebber*



Al's ½ Note 

Sixty-six years ago Ira Stanphill wrote the following chorus for his song "I Know Who Holds Tomorrow":

"Many things about tomorrow I don't seem to understand But I know who holds tomorrow and I know who holds my hand." Certainly the words of that chorus still ring true today. Not a one of us knows what tomorrow will hold but we can know the One who holds tomorrow and holds us in the palm of His hand. As we face our tomorrows there are many uncertainties that we may worry about. But of course that worry will get you nowhere, will accomplish nothing and will do you no good whatsoever. What will help you to face tomorrow is trusting in the One who already knows what lies ahead. What we can do is what Jesus said in Matthew 6:33: "Seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things will be given to you as well."

Our men are looking for ministry projects to do this Spring or Summer. If you know of anyone that needs yard work, minor house maintenance or repairs done, please let me know. Last year we were able to minister to several people through our men's ministry projects.

If you haven't done so recently, please visit our website: meadowbrookbaptistchurch.org. You'll find our newsletter there as well as recently recorded sermons and a calendar of upcoming events. Please also like the Meadowbrook Baptist Church Facebook page that has regular updates.

Please continue to pray daily, by name, for those that do not know Christ as their Lord and Savior. I love you and I love being your Pastor!

VBS -- July 24-29

If you would like to help with this year's VBS, please let Patricia know.

Also, we are collecting the following items for VBS:

- Clear water bottle caps
- bendable drinking straws
- small rectangle butter tubs or one similar
- large plain white socks

There is a collection box in the church foyer.

Marriage Enrichment Retreat

"Yes, We Still Do"

April 29-30

@ the Hampton, Springfield
with Tommy & Marie Walters
Cost- \$150/couple includes,
room, breakfast, lunch,
banquet meal, book
Begins @ 6pm on the 29th
concludes with a banquet
meal @ 6pm on the 30th
to register contact
Michele Waters 217-494-2234



Would you like to be a part of the Praise Team or sing/play special music?

Contact Al Crocker

WORSHIP- In my definition is an act, feeling or thought directed toward our triune God, which portrays His many attributes and virtues. Right now we are celebrating the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We serve a Risen Lord who is alive, not a mere mortal man who lived and is dead! In Jesus we have new life, not only now, but forever and ever. We look at the world around us and see a vast and complex change going on. The earth is tilting toward the sun and bringing longer days and rising temperatures for us in the northern hemisphere. With this change we are seeing new life in the flowers, grass and crops that are being planted. This transformation is all around us. Even if we were without sight, we would be aware of it. We will take full advantage of this change by going camping, boating, traveling, grilling out, and the list goes on without an end. We as Christians will embrace this atmospheric change to our advantage. But, we need to remember what this life is all about- not ourselves and our desires. In the Bible we are told not to love the world or anything that is in the world but to set our affection on things above. We can enjoy the things of this life but they are not to be our priority. We celebrate Easter right now and have a new life in Jesus Christ. May we never ever forget what our main focus should be. We sing songs in our worship services like "It's all About You, Jesus", "Celebrate Jesus", "I'll Worship Only at the Feet of Jesus", and "Holy, Holy, Holy" week after week. It's all about Him! Hopefully we are singing from our hearts and will live up to this in our lives. We should be worshiping our Lord in all that we do, say and wherever we go. God in Christ gave His all for us. So we must prioritize everything- whatever we do, wherever we go, do it for the glory of God.

Luv ya'll, Al



Meadowbrook Youth Ministries

Youth Events Coming Up:

- Apr 3 Youth Hang-time
- Apr 15 The Gathering @ Chatham- 7pm
- Apr 24 Youth Scavenger Hunt
- May 22 Graduate Recognition Baccalaureate
- May 27 H.S. Graduation
- July 10-13 Carmi trip
- July 24-29 VBS

Join us weekly for:



The Gathering
Sundays 9:30am

IGNITE

Wednesdays- 7pm



—join us on Wednesday nights as we look for answers to this question.

Youth trip to Carmi Baptist Children's Home- July 10-13
Ages: complete 7th grade thru adults. Let Pastor or Patricia know if you are interested.



Disaster Relief training

April 8-9

Western Oaks Baptist Church in Springfield

New Trainee/Volunteer- \$30

(Cost includes background check, ID badge, shirt and hat)

Renewing Volunteer- \$10

Register at:

<http://www.ibsa.org/dr>

Check out this great website:

www.findithere.com and share it with friends

Building Cleaning Sign-up

Sign-up sheet for April/May is on the foyer bulletin board.

- Apr 2-
- Apr 9- Sherri Dugger
- Apr 16-
- Apr 23-
- Apr 30-

Thank you for serving with a servant's heart!

Financial News Year-to-Date

As of March 28th

Needed to date-	\$ 25,870.00
Receipts to date-	\$ 21,745.70
Checking Account:	\$ 7,880.15
Boiler Fund to date:	\$ 3,740.40

Boiler

Replacement/ Repair Fund

Donations may be placed in the locked box in the foyer or mark your offering envelope "Boiler Fund" and put in the offering plate.

Children's Ministry
Sunday School
9:30am
every Sunday
for all ages

Pre-k
Thru
6th gr



Wednesdays
7:00-8:00pm

We need a helper with the Pre-K thru 1st grade group. Please let Lori Jones or Pastor know if you would be willing to help on Wednesday nights from 7-8pm.



- Make a commitment to:
- *worship together as a family each week
 - *pray together
 - *read the Bible together

HAPPY Birthday

To our Family and Friends

April

- 9 Lora Thibodeau
- 11 Austin Stuhmer
- 21 Lonnie Cain
- 22 Cody Jones
- 30 Lori Jones

Please let us know if we have overlooked your birthday. We want to include all of our church family.

†Faithful Servants in April†

Nursery: Babies - Two's

3rd Cinda Cain
10th
17th Kristi Lancaster
24th

Three's - Five's

Stacey Mitkos
Sherri Dugger
Bekah Van Bebber
Jordan Beagle

Security

John Cribbett
Nick Rector
Lonnie Cain
Josh Brummett

Ushers

3rd Zack Rector, Brian Rector, Nick Rector
10th Brian Rector, Nick Rector, Todd Brummett
17th Nick Rector, Todd Brummett, Morgan Stuhmer
24th Todd Brummett, Morgan Stuhmer, Pat Stuhmer

Counting Team

Pat Stuhmer & Kim Brown
Louise Dudley & Jodie Rector
Lonnie Cain & Hettie Crocker
Brian Rector & Carol Cockrum

MARK YOUR CALENDARS -- IF YOU CANNOT SERVE ON THE DATE INDICATED, PLEASE TRADE WITH SOMEONE ELSE. If you would like to serve as an Extended Session helper, please let Pastor know.

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Sunday Schedule

9:30a.m. - Bible Study for all

10:40a.m. - Morning Worship

6:00p.m. - Evening Service

Wednesday Schedule

6:15p.m. - Praise Team

7:00p.m. - Adult Bible Study

- TeamKID (PreK-6gr)

- Youth IGNITE

(7-12 gr)

