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# MEADOWBROOK NEWS

July 2016

Newsletter of Meadowbrook Baptist Church

[www.meadowbrookbaptistchurch.org](http://www.meadowbrookbaptistchurch.org)

Pastor: David Van Bebber

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\*\*There will be no evening service on Sunday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

July breakfast July 3 <sup>rd</sup> 9:00am
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## New Generation Singers



PERFORMING LIVE

Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm

@ Auburn United Methodist Church

The Auburn churches have been asked to provide a meal for the group before the concert. Meadowbrook is responsible for vegetables to feed approx 100 people. Please let Pastor know if you can provide a vegetable. Please have your dish at the Methodist Church in a disposable dish by 5:15pm.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



July 24-29

6:00pm-8:30pm

...embark on an adventure like no other, scouring the mysterious fathoms of the deep sea.

Pre-K through completed 6<sup>th</sup> grade

Register on-line at

[www.meadowbrookbaptistchurch.org](http://www.meadowbrookbaptistchurch.org)

or pick up a form from the foyer table

SERMON SERIES...



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



## VBS -- July 24-29

It's not too late to volunteer to help with this year's VBS. Contact Patricia.

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
- aquafina 12oz water bottles

There is a collection basket in the church foyer.

### Baby Shower

for Taylor Stevens

July 10<sup>th</sup> - 2pm

upstairs @ Locals in Pawnee

RSVP by July 1<sup>st</sup> to Bryanna

Stevens 691-3556

Registered at Babies R Us

### COLLECTING for the Baptist Children's Home

Students & families of the Baptist Children's Home rely on donations of all kinds to be able to offer their services: necessary daily essentials (soap, shampoo, razors, cleaning supplies, toilet paper, paper towels, etc) and food. If you would like to donate any items, please have them at the church before July 10<sup>th</sup>.

### Al's ½ Note

July 4<sup>th</sup>, Independence Day, is a special day in the life of our country that we celebrate in a vast array of ways. We celebrate with fireworks, cookouts, parties and many other ideas that portray our way in thinking of the 4<sup>th</sup>. We are free from the rule of some other nation. We are free to govern our country and our lives by the ideas of our forefathers. We are free by those who laid down their lives to purchase our freedom, and sometimes we forget about the cost of our freedoms. But there is another who has truly given us freedom that will last forever and ever. That is our Lord God and Savior, Jesus Christ. In Him we find REAL freedom. Because of His sacrifice, we are free from sin and its many, many consequences. In Ps 146:7 we read that "The LORD sets prisoners (of sin) free". Ro. 6:18 "You have been set free from sin". In Rev. 1:5 we read: "(He) has freed us from OUR sin by His blood". Also in 2<sup>nd</sup> Co. 3:17, we see that "where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom". We will only find REAL FREEDOM in Jesus Christ. In our daily life we need to always focus on our freedom that we have in Jesus. He has paid a price for us, and we belong to Him.

As we celebrate this July 4<sup>th</sup>, let us remember all of the freedoms we sometimes take for granted that were given to us 200 years ago. But more importantly, the real freedom that was given to us by Jesus 2000 years ago by the shedding of His blood on the cross at Mount Calvary. "O worship the King, all glorious above and gratefully sing His wonderful Love". Let us worship Him in every aspect of our daily lives, both now and forever more.

Luv ya'll,  
Al

"America! America! God shed His grace on thee." These words from "America the Beautiful" are needed now more than ever. We need America and, in particular, each and every American to personally experience God's grace through Jesus Christ shed on their lives. In this presidential election year there seems to be a great sense of uneasiness and unrest in our country. Without a doubt I can tell you that there is no one running for any elected office that can fix the problems our country, or for that matter, any of us face personally. What America needs more than ever is for God to pour out His grace on this country of ours that we might have a great turning of our people to the Lord Jesus Christ. Join me in praying for our nation and our leaders that we might once again see God move in a major way in our nation.

"Submerged!" Vacation Bible School is almost here! Just when I think VBS can't get any better we have another great VBS on the way this year. I already cannot get the theme song out of my mind. But we are going to need all hands on deck as we dive deep into this year's "Submerged" VBS. We need people to bring the requested items for crafts like the rectangular-shaped butter tubs. We need folks to hand out the information sheets about VBS. We need help decorating the church as we transform our building into an underwater world being explored by our "Submerged" submarine. If you can help, let me or Patricia know. We need helpers during the week of VBS. And we need you to pray for "Submerged!" It is going to be a busy month.

I love you and I love being your Pastor!



Meadowbrook Youth Ministries

Youth Events Coming Up:

- July 3 Breakfast- 9am
-July 9 New Generation Singers- 7pm
-July 10 leave for Carmi- 2pm
-July 13 return from Carmi
-July 24-29 VBS

Join us weekly for:



The Gathering Sundays 9:30am

IGNITE

Wednesdays- 7pm



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

Youth trip to Carmi Baptist Children's Home- July 10-13 Meet at the church at 1:45pm to load up. We will return around 7pm on Wednesday, July 13.



Make a commitment to:

- \*worship together as a family each week
\*pray together
\*read the Bible together

The Auburn School District relies on donations from the community to help with school supplies for children in need. Items needed for the 2016-2017 school year: crayola classic color markers, colored pencils, fiskars scissors, headphones, watercolor paints, fine line markers, composition books, 2 pocket folders without prongs, accordion files, large zip around binders (2-3 inch binder), 1 inch binders, mechanical pencils, Texas Instrument Calculators 30XIIS, and lice kits. Also needed for students in homeless situations: deodorant, shampoo, body wash, toothpaste and toothbrushes. Items may be left in the church office. Contact Melissa Warwick, District Social Worker, for further info or monetary donations.

Building Cleaning Sign-up

Sign-up sheet for July/August is on the foyer bulletin board. July 2- July 9- Todd & Rita July 16- July 23- Connie Gwinn July 30- Thank you for serving with a servant's heart!

Financial News Year-to-Date

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. As of June 26th. Needed to date- \$ 51,740.00. Receipts to date- \$ 43,074.70. Checking Account: \$ 7,355.87. Boiler Fund to date: \$ 5,689.45

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.



Sunday School 9:30am every Sunday for all ages

Pre-k Thru 6th gr



TeamKID will resume when school starts in the fall.

Come and See

THE ARK

Opening July 7th-- the most authentic replica of Noah's Ark in the world. 45 minutes from the world-class Creation Museum in Williamstown, KY in northern Kentucky.

More info on the bulletin board.



To our Family and Friends

July

- 2 Judy Stuhmer
4 Stacey Mitkos
7 Kyle Brown
9 Pat Cain
9 Lora Crocker
10 Betty Bendix
10 Chaz Crocker
12 Justin Graves
13 Abi Moore
14 Lori Bostick
17 Ruby Moore
19 Cinda Cain
23 Jim Castelli
25 Louise Dudley
26 Mike Crocker
27 Jesse Brummett
27 Carol Cockrum
30 Kristi Lancaster

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

†Faithful Servants in July†

Nursery: Babies - Two's

3<sup>rd</sup> Cinda Cain

10<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

17<sup>th</sup> Kristi Lancaster

24<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

31<sup>st</sup> Cinda Cain

Three's - Five's

Bekah Van Bebber

Stacey Mitkos

Tabie McKinney

Jordan Beagle

Sherri Dugger

Security

Josh Brummett

Zack Rector

Jared Smith

Terry Silveus

Brian Rector

Ushers

3<sup>rd</sup> Morgan Stuhmer, Pat Stuhmer, Marc Brown

10<sup>th</sup> Pat Stuhmer, Marc Brown, Gale Cockrum

17<sup>th</sup> Marc Brown, Gale Cockrum, Lonnie Cain

24<sup>th</sup> Gale Cockrum, Lonnie Cain, Zack Rector

31<sup>st</sup> Lonnie Cain, Zack Rector, Brian Rector

Counting Team

Louise Dudley & Jodi Rector

Lonnie Cain & Hettie Crocker

Brian Rector & Carol Cockrum

Pat Stuhmer & Kim Brown

Louise Dudley & Jodi Rector

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)