
MEADOWBROOK NEWS

February 2018

Newsletter of Meadowbrook Baptist Church

www.meadowbrookbaptistchurch.org

Pastor: David Van Bebber

♥ Happy Valentines Day ♥

Valentine Banquet



Sunday, February 11th

6:00pm

Cost- \$6 per person

Not just for couples. Come for a great time of fun, fellowship, and good food!

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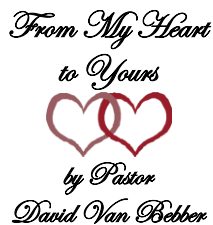
The Lesters

Sunday, March 4th

6:00pm



Western Oaks, Springfield
Experience the live broadcast of the 2018 Johnny Hunt Men's Ministry Conference, *Unspoken*, where men will be challenged to explore areas of their life and embrace the role to which God has called them. Men and high school young men in 11th grade and up are welcome to attend. Cost- \$15 per person which includes Friday night meal, Saturday breakfast, conference workbook, snacks, & door prizes. Contact Pastor if you would like to attend.



“This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down His life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters.” If you want to know what love is, don’t look to Hollywood or pop culture. Look at the example of Jesus Christ. The Bible says the way to know what love is-- look at how Jesus Christ laid down His life for us. Too many people look at love from a selfish standpoint of falling in love with someone who meets all their needs. Love is not selfish and self-centered, but rather selfless and sacrificial. As long as love is all about you and what you want, you will not truly love. Love is giving and others-focused as you give of yourselves totally to meet the needs of others. I hope you have a happy Valentine’s Day by looking at how you can be kind and giving of yourself to others as Christ gave Himself for us.

Mark April 1st on your calendar! Normally you might think of April 1st as April Fool’s Day. But, this year it marks the celebration of Christ’s Resurrection from the dead. Make a list of at least five people you can invite to celebrate Christ’s resurrection on Sunday morning, April 1st. Begin praying for them daily and watch for opportunities to invite them to church that Sunday. Pray also for opportunities to share what Christ’s crucifixion and resurrection mean.

The first Sunday morning of February we will be ordaining John Cribbett as deacon. Please be in prayer for John as he begins serving as Deacon.

As always, I love you and I love being your Pastor!

Blue Sky Event

February 6-9
8am-4pm

Come assist FBC Greenvew complete work on their parsonage.

Bring your tools: hammer, flat bar, tape measure, tool apron, and pencil.

If you can help, contact Mike Robertson @

mrobertson52@yahoo.com

Call/text: 217-415-8074

Church-wide Breakfast

Sunday, February 4th
9:00am

Sunday, February 4th
10:40am

DEACON
ORDINATION

for
John Cribbett

Vacation Bible School...



If you would like to help with VBS this year, please let Patricia know. Plans are underway and our first meeting will be coming up soon. Stay tuned in for more info.

AI's ½ Note

We always, or at least I do, associate February with Valentine’s Day. We are given the opportunity to show

our affection and love towards someone in a huge array of ways. We should show our love toward others in whatever style we desire. If we don’t make our affection and love toward others obvious, how will they know of our love? When the proper avenue is used, others will know of our intent. We are told in Romans 5:8- “God demonstrates His love for us in this, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” God gave us the supreme example of love. John 3:16: “For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever would believe in Him would not perish but have everlasting life”. God gave the best and most important thing to show His love for us, His one and only Son. Jesus came and lived a perfect and sinless life to become the Lamb of God. He showed His love for us by making the one and only way that we could be reconciled to God. He willingly took all of the horrendous pain, suffering and rejection upon Himself for all mankind. Do you think that you or I would be willing to give up everything and sacrifice ourselves for the benefit of others? That’s exactly what God in Christ did for us. How about this Valentine Day we make a commitment-- commit ourselves to show what love is really about to everyone the Lord puts in our path. Don’t put a string on our love. Demonstrate our love in such a way that others will know us by our love. Others will see and know that we live for Christ by our love. In John 13:34-35 we read, “A new command I give you: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.” Others will know we are Christians by our LOVE. Now, let us love one another as Jesus has commanded us to do.

A new idea--- LOVE OUT LOUD! Let this be our motto, to demonstrate on the outside what’s on the inside. Let’s show our LOVE. What’s on your inside?

LOVE OUT LOUD
Luv Ya’ll



Join us weekly for:
The Gathering
 Sunday 9:30am

Wednesday
 7:00pm



Youth Events Coming Up:

- Feb 4 Breakfast- 9am
- Feb 11 Valentine Banquet



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

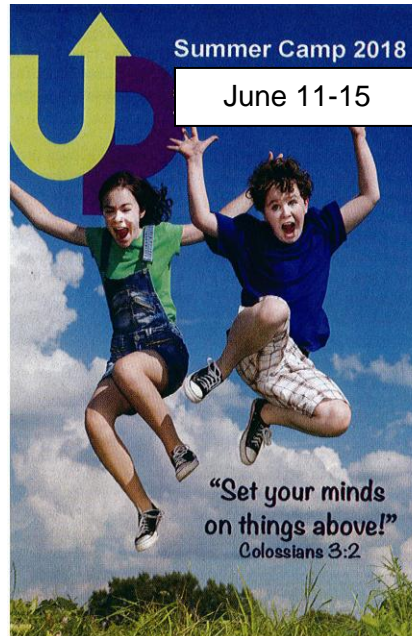


Pre-k thru 6th gr
 Wednesdays at 7:00pm



If you are interested in helping with our Children's Ministry please contact Pastor. Children's Sunday School teachers needed, and volunteers are always needed in Sunday Nursery & Preschool, Wednesday TeamKID, & special events.

PLAN AHEAD....



Children that have completed grades 4-6. Cost: \$160 per person includes lodging, meals, activities and t-shirt.



To our Family and Friends

February

- 7 Zach Stuhmer
- 7 Bekah Van Bebber
- 8 Sharon Eddings
- 12 Jackie Russell
- 17 Candy Wilson
- 19 Pat Stuhmer
- 20 Donna Burton
- 20 Rachel Van Bebber
- 24 Josh Sprague

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

Building Cleaning Sign-up

Volunteers are needed to clean the building once a month. If you have questions contact Pastor. Sign-up sheet for February & March is on the foyer bulletin board.

Thank you for serving with a servant's heart!

Building/AC update...

If you feel led to continue giving towards the Building/Boiler/AC fund please mark your check & envelope "Building/AC. Money will be used to replace the Air conditioning on the educational wing and to update some other areas throughout the building. Thank you for giving above and beyond.

Financial News Year-to-Date

As of January 30 th	
Needed to date-	\$ 7,960.00
Received to date-	\$ 6,602.00
Checking Account:	\$ 3,672.56
Boiler/AC to date:	\$ 2,828.38
Lottie Moon to date:	\$ 195.00

New Wednesday study
 "Facing Your GIANTS"



Mission Team Sponsorship for Rachel Van Bebber – Acts 1:8

This spring, I will be serving on a short-term ministry team with Southwest Baptist's Center for Global Connections traveling to Bogota, Columbia from March 17th-25th, 2018. We will be canvassing the neighborhood and hosting outreach events such as kids club/VBS events, sports, and community service projects. The long-term strategy is to see a church planted in Bogota that will ultimately have the vision for planting other churches within the community. I would really appreciate prayers for my team and I as we prepare for this trip. Any support you can provide, both prayer and financial, will mean the world to me! All of the money raised is tax deductible and will go directly to my funds for the trip. I would love for you to join in this ministry with me. Go to:

<https://app.managedmissions.com/MyTrip/rachelvanbebber1>

†Faithful Servants in February†

Nursery: Babies - Two's

4th
11th Cinda Cain
18th
25th Cinda Cain

Three's - Five's

Stacey Mitkos
Kristi Lancaster
Bekah Van Bebber
Sherri Dugger

Security

John Cribbett
Nick Rector
Lonnie Cain
Josh Brummett

Ushers

4th Lonnie Cain, Pat Stuhmer, Mike Crocker
11th Pat Stuhmer, Mike Crocker, John Cribbett
18th Mike Crocker, John Cribbett, Zack Rector
25th John Cribbett, Zack Rector, Brian Rector

Counting Team

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. 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
- Youth IGNITE