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# MEADOWBROOK NEWS

March 2018

Newsletter of Meadowbrook Baptist Church

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Pastor: David Van Bebber

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IN CONCERT



The Lesters

Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>

6:00pm

Invite your family, friends, and neighbors  
for a great night of worship!



Disaster Relief Training- March 2-3  
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Decatur  
Register: [IBSA.org/DR](http://IBSA.org/DR)



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Week of Prayer for  
North American Missions  
March 4-11



for kids Pre-K thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade  
Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 7:00-8:00 PM



Church-wide Breakfast  
Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>  
9:00am

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

Fourteen years have passed since I watched Mel Gibson's powerful portrayal of Christ's crucifixion in his 2004 movie "The Passion of the Christ". The film, which cost \$30 million to produce, grossed over \$619 million at the box office. As moving as the film was, what Christ actually did on the Cross for us was much more priceless- both in its cost in Jesus death for our sins on the Cross, but also priceless in what His passion made possible for us in the payment and forgiveness for our sins. "When I survey the wondrous Cross on which the Prince of Glory died. My richest gain I count but loss and pour contempt on all my pride!" Those words from Isaac Watts' hymn still move me as I try to picture and imagine in my mind what Christ did for me. There was truly no greater love that has ever been demonstrated than when Christ died for us. The sad truth is that an overwhelming majority of people have never personally experienced the saving and forgiving power of the Cross in their own lives. This season we have a prime opportunity to share with others what the Crucifixion and Resurrection of Jesus Christ is all about. Please be praying for those around you who don't know Christ personally. Invite them to come to church with you this month and particularly Sunday April 1<sup>st</sup> as we remember and celebrate Christ's death and resurrection.

Don't forget Children's Camp is coming June 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>. Invite kids to camp and give to our camp scholarship fund.

As always I love being your pastor and I am looking forward to celebrating Christ's resurrection from the dead on Sunday morning April 1<sup>st</sup>!

Vacation Bible School...



Our first meeting is March 18<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00pm. If you would like to help with VBS this year, please plan on attending this meeting.

Easter Sunday Schedule...

Sonrise Service- 8am  
Breakfast- 9am  
Sunday School- 9:30am  
Worship Service- 10:40am  
NO Evening Service

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Women's Conference  
April 27-28  
Enjoy a time of spiritual renewal, fellowship, and training.  
Decatur Conference Center  
Register: [IBSA.org/Priority](http://IBSA.org/Priority)

Cain Artwork-  
Lonnie Cain has displayed some of his paintings in the fellowship hall to be available for purchase for a suggested \$10 donation per painting. Money will be donated to the Air-Conditioning Fund.

*Deepest Sympathy...*

is extended to the Brooks/Brown family in the loss of little Gabriella.  
To the family of Patrick Cain who went to be with the Lord this past month.  
To Pat Stuhmer & family in the loss of his brother.

**Al's ½ Note**

Week after week, Pastor David is given the inspiration and guidance to select and determine the direction of the messages. From this, much prayer and thought is put into the selection of songs that will help point out the truths that we will be hearing in each sermon. These songs hopefully will inspire each and every one of us to a greater depth of worship than we had before. Worship is showing the worth and the many attributes of our God because He is worthy. Before the coming of Jesus, there were ceremonial observances and ordinances that were to be performed to worship God. Then Jesus came and things changed. Jesus tells us in John 4:23- "A time has come when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshippers the Father seeks." From this verse we see that there are two aspects of worship: doing it in spirit, and in truth. The songs we sing hopefully will help us recognize the truths and worthiness of God. The other part- worshipping in the spirit, will have to come from each and every one of us, our state of mind, from the very depths of our being, our heart and soul. Our spirit must commune with the Spirit of God in true worship. And this is only the beginning! We need to continue to commune with God in the spirit in our daily walk. Wherever we go we must continue to worship Him. Sing to Him the songs we sing. The Psalmist tells us our very soul should bless the Lord. "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His Holy name". So, our worship starts on Sunday morning and should continue throughout the week and then get recharged the following Sunday. So let us worship in spirit and in truth and not miss any opportunities. Our worship has started here on earth and will continue forever, in the presence of God.

Luv Ya'll



Meadowbrook  
Youth Ministries

Join us weekly for:

**The Gathering**  
Sunday 9:30am

Wednesday  
7:00pm



**Youth Events Coming Up:**

- Mar 4 Breakfast- 9am
- Mar 4 The Lesters in concert
- Mar 11 Time change
- Mar 18 VBS meeting- 5pm
- Mar 28 Easter Egg Hunt for kids
- Apr 1 Early Service- 8am
- Breakfast- 9am
- Sunday School- 9:30am
- Late Service- 10:40am



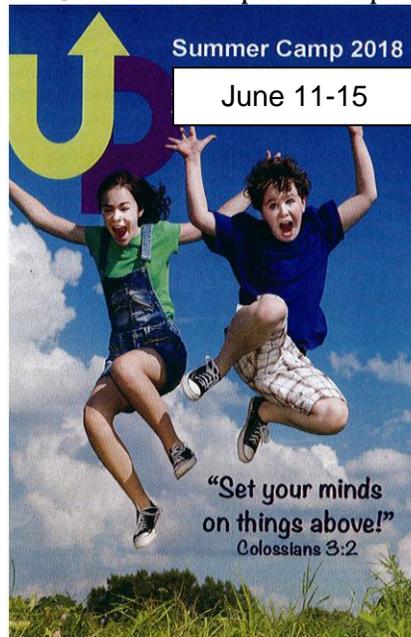
Sunday School for all ages  
every Sunday- 9:30am



Pre-k thru 6<sup>th</sup> gr  
Wednesdays at 7:00pm

PLAN AHEAD....

Children's Camp  
@ Streator Baptist Camp



Children that have completed grades 4-6. Cost: \$160 per person includes lodging, meals, activities and t-shirt. Adults interested in going as chaperones, contact Pastor. If you would like to help sponsor a child, mark your envelope/check "Children's Camp".



NEEDED: Children's Sunday School teachers, Nursery & Preschool Extended Session volunteers. Volunteers are also welcome for Wednesday TeamKID & special events. Contact Pastor if you are interested in the Meadowbrook Children's Ministry.



To our Family and Friends

**March**

- 1 Hettie Crocker
- 1 Richard Van Bebber
- 2 Dave Capella
- 11 Jared Smith
- 30 Kelsey McElyea

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

Wednesday study...  
"Facing Your GIANTS"



Live Out Loud Youth Connect  
March 9<sup>th</sup>, 6pm  
@ Greenfield First Baptist  
comic Bob Smiley &  
The GREAT ROMANCE  
Jr High & High School students  
Loud music, guest speaker  
FREE FOOD

Mission Team Sponsorship for  
Rachel Van Bebber –

serving on a short-term ministry team with Southwest Baptist's Center for Global Connections in Bogota, Columbia from March 17<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>. I would really appreciate prayers for my team and I as we prepare for this trip. Any prayer &/or financial support you can provide 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>

**Building Cleaning Sign-up**

Volunteers are needed to clean the building once a month. If you have questions contact Pastor. Sign-up sheet for March/April 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/AC fund please mark your check & envelope "Building/AC. Money will be used to replace the Air conditioning on the educational wing. Our goal is \$7,000. Thank you for giving above and beyond.

**Financial News Year-to-Date**

As of February 25<sup>th</sup>

<b>Needed to date-</b>	<b>\$ 15,920.00</b>
Received to date-	\$ 11,803.00
Checking Account:	\$ 5,327.69
Boiler/AC to date:	\$ 3,005.29

†Faithful Servants in March†

Nursery: Babies - Two's

4<sup>th</sup>  
11<sup>th</sup> Cinda Cain  
18<sup>th</sup>  
25<sup>th</sup> Cinda Cain

Three's - Five's

Stacey Mitkos  
Kristi Lancaster  
Bekah Van Bebber  
Sherri Dugger

Security

Zack Rector  
Terry Silveus  
Brian Rector  
Mike Crocker

Ushers

4<sup>th</sup> Zack Rector, Brian Rector, Nick Rector  
11<sup>th</sup> Brian Rector, Nick Rector, Jesse Brummett  
18<sup>th</sup> Nick Rector, Jesse Brummett, Todd Brummett  
25<sup>th</sup> Jesse Brummett, Todd Brummett, Lonnie Cain

Counting Team

Jodi Rector & Hettie Crocker  
Brian Rector & Lonnie Cain  
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