

Midway Baptist Church

MBC Newsletter

April—May 2016

Words along the Way

The Foolishness of Congregations



“St. Paul talked about the foolishness of preaching; I would like to carry on about the foolishness of congregation. Of all the ways in which to engage in the enterprise of church, this has to be the most absurd—this haphazard collection of people who somehow get assembled into pews on Sundays, half-heartedly sing a few songs most of them don’t like, tune in and out of a sermon according to the state of their digestion and the preacher’s decibels, awkward in their commitments and jerky in their prayers.

But the people in these pews are also people who suffer deeply and find God in their suffering. These are men and women who make love commitments, are faithful to them through trial and temptation, and bear fruits of righteousness, spirit-fruits that bless the people around them. Babies, surrounded by hopeful and rejoicing parents and

friends, are baptized in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost. Adults, converted by the gospel, surprised and surprising all who have known them, are likewise baptized. The dead are offered up to God in funerals that give solemn and joyful witness to the resurrection in the midst of tears and grief. Sinners honestly repent and believingly take the body and blood of Jesus and receive new life.

But these are mixed in with the others and are, more often than not, indistinguishable from them. I can find, biblically, no other form of church.” (*Living the Message*, Feb. 9th)

Pastor Steve

Mark your Calendar

- 4-8 & 9** Haiti Mission Yard Sale
- 4-12** WMU Monthly Meeting
- 4-16** Youth Outcry Tour Concert
- 4-17** Ministry Council Meeting
- 5-1** Youth & Children Camp
- 5-15** Fundraiser Lunch & Auction
- 5-15** Relay for Life Fish Fry

Reminder

Donate unwanted items for the
Haiti Mission Team Yard Sale

**Fellowship meal & small groups end
for the summer on May 25th.**

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Carolyn Logan Memorial Fish Fry

On Sunday, May 15th, you are invited to the annual Carolyn Logan Memorial Relay for Life Fish Fry. They will start at noon and serve until the fish runs out! Stay after church and enjoy a great fish dinner for a very worthy cause. MBC Members that would like to help are asked to bring a dessert to donate.

Summer Supper Clubs

What is it? Midway Baptist Summer Supper Club is a way for adults and families to sit down together for a series of meals and fellowship with one another. Our Wednesday Fellowship Meal will be wrapping up May 25th and taking the summer off. This is the perfect time to continue to feed our bodies and souls in a smaller and more personal setting.

How does this work? You (and your family) can sign up to participate in the Summer Supper Clubs (sign-up sheet on the bulletin board). At the end of the May, Evan will take participants and create Summer Supper Clubs by grouping three persons/families together. Each small group will schedule one meal at each person's/family's home.

Should I sign up? If you want to enjoy a good meal and spend time with some wonderful people from Midway Baptist, then the answer is "Yes". This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know others in the Midway Baptist family and we hope that you will choose to participate!

Summer Supper Clubs will begin on June 1st.
(Coming Soon to A Home Near You)



7th Annual MBC Master Chef & Dessert Auction

On June 1st, we will have our annual Midway Master Chef and Dessert Auction. The grill-off teams of two cooks will begin early in the afternoon, but the feast will start at 6:00 in the Ministry Center. Meats are provided and prepared by the competitors; we are asking everyone to bring a side dish. The church will provide the drinks. The winners of the grill-off will be determined by a team of judges. All donation will go toward the children's playground.

We are also asking participants to prepare and enter their favorite homemade dessert for an auction.

Last year's 6th Annual Master Chef Winners – Greg and Kristen Jones

Suggested donation: \$10/person

We are currently looking for master chef teams. If you are interested, please let Evan know (evan@midwaybc.net or 859-227-2299).



2016 Haiti Mission Team Yard Sale

April 8th & 9th

Do you have an attic, closet, or basement full of unwanted objects? Need an easy, stress-free way of getting rid of your stuff? Consider letting our Haiti Mission Team sell it for you! The MBC Haiti Yard Sale will be held on Friday, April 8th, and Saturday, April 9th. Additionally, MBC members will get to shop early on Wednesday, April 6th, during the Wednesday night activities!! Items to be donated may be brought to the church starting on Saturday, April 2nd. If anyone has large items they need help with please contact Ron Wyatt and the team will arrange a pickup. All proceeds from this event will benefit the Haiti Mission 2016.

MBC Finance Committee



Please remember to pray for our

2016 Haiti Mission Team:

Ron Wyatt, Mike Taylor,

Ronan Wyatt, Dave McCoun,

Kenny Tackett, Kelly Rowe,

Wendy Enneking, Haley Wyatt,

Melissa Ratliff, Karen Gaddis,

Ashley Pope, Jordan Hadden,

and Lyndsey Crowe

The happening place to be on the 3rd Sunday of every month is the monthly church business meeting! Some of the recent proposals and discussions have resulted in the approval of

- The 2016 balanced ministry plan (a.k.a. the budget). Thank you for everyone's input and assistance.
- The purchase of a new projection system for the sanctuary which will include a wall mounted projector, a retractable screen for the sanctuary and a 42" wide screen monitor for the overflow. We are blessed to have received a generous gift to be put towards the cost of the system and thanks to your generous giving, we are able to use our reserves to fund the remaining cost.
- Designating \$3000 (\$2000 from the Christmas for Christ gifts) to the MBC Refugee Team. These funds are being used to assist the Norbert family who recently moved to Lexington. Beyond these funds, we have received several designated gifts for the Norberts, enough to cover almost their entire first month's rent!
- The leasing of a new printer/copier for the church office. Thanks to the hard work of Don Dobson and others, the cost of this lease should not cause us to incur any major additional expenses due to our savings of no longer needing to purchase toner and other copier supplies.

Thank you for your continued support of our ministries: \$1200.65 was given to support our Haiti Mission Team at the Concert Benefit! \$700 was not designated for a team member, \$1466 was given during our CBF Global Missions emphasis. \$224 was from the breakfast! \$451 was given in the special offering collected for the Backpack Ministry.

- Last but not least, we remain ahead of budget! Thank you for your continued generous giving to the many ministries of MBC.

If you have any questions for the finance committee, please let us know.

Your MBC Finance Committee (Lisa Dartt, Steve Hadden, Kaye Hall, Kendra Harvey, Kim Hensley, Natalie Wyatt)

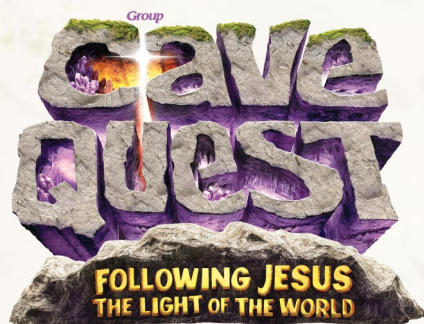
Parents' Leisurely Lunch

Sunday, April 17th, from 12:00-2:30. Kids are invited to spend the afternoon at church (while parents take advantage of the opportunity to go out for lunch). The afternoon will include a special focus lesson about Baptist beliefs and what it means to be a Christian. The event will begin with lunch and a video immediately after church and will continue with games and crafts. You can RSVP by email to andrea@midwaybc.net.

Youth and Children's Camp Fundraiser Lunch and Auction

Sunday, May 1st, at 12:00. All funds raised will help our youth and children with the costs of attending summer camps. Parents and children, especially those attending PASSPORTkids! Camp this summer, are encouraged to participate. Kids should be thinking now about what services or items they might be able to donate (i.e., pet-sitting, car washes, etc.).

Cave Quest VBS



Sunday, June 26th, through Wednesday, June 29th. Please mark your calendars now as this is a date change from last year! Join us as we gear up for an over-the-top underground VBS adventure on which kids will be grounded in the rock-solid foundation of God's love, a love that takes us through life's dark times. Kaye Hall and her Wednesday night small group team will be working hard on many exciting decoration projects. Even if you can't participate on Wednesday nights, you can still help by working on a DIY decoration project at home. Please see Kaye to sign up, and check out the following link for a sneak peek: <https://www.group.com/category/ministry-resources/childrens-ministry/vbs/cave-quest.do>. Please also be in prayer about volunteering to staff this year's VBS or to provide transportation for visiting children from our surrounding communities.

Children's Ministry Current Events



Sunday School: Sundays at 9:45 – Group Publishing's *FaithWeaver* Sunday School curriculum is used in conjunction with the *KidsOwn Worship* Children's Worship curriculum so that children who attend Sunday School will have the opportunity for the Bible point they just learned to be reinforced when they come to Children's Worship.

Children's Worship: Sundays during 10:45 Worship with Andrea and Kayla

Children's Small Group: Wednesday evenings from 6:45-7:45. Join us to encounter the weekly Bible story and point in a hands-on way that's different from how it was taught during Sunday School and Children's Worship.

MBC Women's Retreat

April 16th

Loving Well by Beth Moore - Join us on April 16th from 9-3 p.m. and learn how some people are a joy to love, some are difficult to love and how we all deal with some people who are humanly impossible to love. Coffee & Danish will be served at 8:30 a.m. in the MBC Ministry Center. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary. The cost is \$15 each. Contact Ashley Brown singer_ashley@hotmail.com for more information.

KBF Spring Gathering

To register, go to www.kybf.org

Join friends from Kentucky Baptist Fellowship at Campbellsville University as we celebrate 25 years of being a Fellowship, April 22-23, 2016. The theme for this year's Spring Gathering celebrates our common purpose: "Living as Covenant Community." You will also be supporting our own Iraline Craig, KBF Moderator, for 2015-2016.

Other Upcoming Announcements

WMU Meeting
April 12th

**Ministry Council Meeting
& Business Meeting**
April 17th

Ministry Council meeting is at 4:30 p.m. and Business Meeting is the 3rd Sunday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

National Day of Prayer
May 5th

Mother's Day— May 8th
Please join us on this special day when we honor our women. (Each woman present will receive a carnation to show our appreciation.)

Run/Jog/Walk Group

Do you like to walk? Do you like to jog? Do you like to run? If you answered yes to any one of these three questions, then please consider joining the Run/Jog/Run Wednesday night group. We will meet in the foyer outside the ministry center. We will have walkers, joggers and runners of all paces. Kendra Harvey will be leading the group. If you have an infant or child, feel free to bring a stroller with you. We will leave the church at 6:45 and everyone is free to walk/jog/run with others around Midway. For more info, contact Kendra or Evan.

MBC Work Day (Please "Lend a Hand")— May 8th

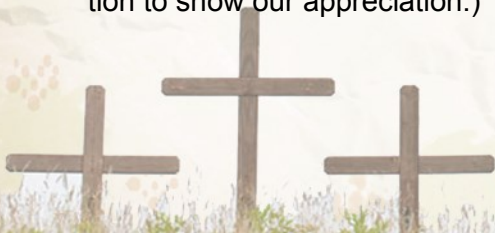
Can you come lend a hand! Important work day to help take care of some much needed work around the church. There will be something for everyone! Please see Joy Hadden, Paul Simmons, Sam Conder, or Nathan Craig for ways you can help. There are jobs that can be done on other days beside May 8th. They will be able to tell you what needs to be completed around the church. There are opportunities for landscaping, trimming, painting, and just general odd jobs.

Father's Day—June 19th

Please join us on this special day when we honor our men. (Each man present will receive a gift to show our appreciation.)

Thank you!

Iraline Craig and the Women on Mission would like to thank you for your support of CBF Global Missions. Thank you also for your support and donations for other ministries like diapers and suitcases for the KY Refugee Ministry.



K-5 Sunday School Class

May 29th – August 7th

Starting Sunday, May 29th, children in the K-1st (Sherry Bayliff), 2nd - 3rd (Lois Robinette) and 4th-5th (Kelly Rowe) grade classes will join together and weekly participate in a new K-5th Sunday School Summer Class Project. This special class will meet in the large room upstairs and will be led by Kayla Logan with weekly helpers. From May 29th (Memorial Day weekend) to August 7th (Promotion Sunday), the class will be participating in an "Amazing Race" through the Bible. The summer class is specifically structured with busy family schedules in mind, so even if children are only able to infrequently attend, they will still be able to participate. Please join us throughout the summer for the K-5 Sunday School Class. If you have any questions, please see Evan (evan@midwaybc.net) or Kayla.

Youth News



Outcry Tour— April 16, 2016

Artists include Hillsong Worship, Kari Jobe, Jesus Culture with Martin Smith, Elevation Worship, Passion, and Brian Houston. Tickets are free and first come first serve.

MissionFuge Parent Meeting

An informational meeting for parents of students who are attending MFuge this year will be held in the Ministry Center on Sunday, April 17th, directly following the second service. The meeting is designed to answer any questions you might have regarding camp. I will also have the Parent Packets which include permission forms and Medical Release Forms. If you have any questions, please contact Evan Rowe.

Youth Sunday and Graduated Recognition Day— May 22

Join us on this special Sunday in May when the youth of our church lead our worship services. What a blessing to see a new generation demonstrate their faith in Christ. We will also recognize our graduates on this Sunday and present each with a gift. Please contact the church office if you know of someone who is graduating from high school, college, trade school, or graduate school. See Evan Rowe for more info.

MissionFuge Camp — July 11-16th , Nashville, TN.

MFuge is designed to give students a mission experience that opens their eyes to similar opportunities they may have to serve in their own communities, learning to live everyday life on mission!

Combined Worship Service

May 29th

Join us on May 29th, Memorial Day Weekend, for a special joint worship service at 10:45 a.m. We will have Sunday School as usual at 9:45. There will not be any evening activities on this Sunday. This is also the weekend of the Horsey Hundred Bike Race through Midway. Please be careful driving. There will be many bikers out on the roads.



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CELEBRATE!

April 2016

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Trayner ♥
- 2 Larry Craig
- 4 Erin Taylor McQueen, Tressie Hird
- 5 Maxine Gilkison
- 6 Catherine Comley
- 7 James Gilkison
- 8 Kelley Eaves, William Colter Taylor
- 9 Jenna Atwood, Joy Hadden
Mr. & Mrs. Billy Hayes ♥
- 10 Parker Craig
- 11 Kaye Hall
- 14 Reagan Duncan, Abigail Fowler,
Dr. Lauren Craig Rader

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May 2016

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Sawyer Reed Doan
- 4 Brennan Ball, Sharon Sparrow
- 5 Col Rhea Dobson, Eza Gonzalez
Chaplain Craig Wiley
- 7 Genevieve Arnold, Crystal Thompson,
Nancy McGregor, Robin Taylor, Dylan Watson
- 8 Chad Royalty, Russ Hayes, Sean Grate
Brad & Kate McLean ♥
- 9 Michael and Rhonda Rankin ♥
- 10 Cooper Hensley, Sal Gonzalez
Col and Mrs. Rhea Dobson ♥
- 12 Ashley McAlpin, Joseph Wheeler
Virginia Southworth
Keith and Amelia Adkins ♥
Allen and Angela Dobson ♥
- 14 Justin Midkiff
Mike and Debby Taylor ♥
- 15 Brad McLean, Marie Noel, Jolee Taylor
Pastor Steve and Joy Hadden ♥

- 15 Alejandro Pantoja
- 17 Wendy M Enneking, Shelby Kifer
- 18 Madalyn Campbell, Marilyn Rigney, Tyler Berndt
- 19 Kierston Hutchison
- 21 Quinten Webster
- 22 Dan Elkin III
- 23 Myron Dartt
- 25 John Hall, Taylor Emerson, Katie Miller, Liles Taylor
- 26 Piper McCoun, Chloe Wheatcraft
Tim & Gail Popovitz ♥
- 27 Jaxson Bugg, John Wheatcraft
Chad & Kristy Royalty ♥
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Sames ♥
- 28 Cruz Gonzalez, John Lander
- 29 Mr. & Mrs. Nalis Giles ♥
- 30 Christopher Baldwin, Kayla Hayes

THE 65th NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER—MAY 5TH

The 2016 theme is **Wake Up America**, emphasizing the need for individuals, corporately and individually, to return to God in reverence for His Holy Name. Scripture for this year: *"Shout it aloud, do not hold back. Raise your voice like a trumpet."* Isaiah 58:1a

MBC's Sanctuary will be open to anyone who would like to come by and pray for America, Midway Baptist Church, or other special prayer needs.

- 19 Leslie Atwood
Dave and Donna Forman ♥
Gary and Kim Rose ♥
- 20 Brennan Costigan, LaVerne Pittman
Kenny and Paula Tackett ♥
- 21 Evan Rowe, Joshua Hutchison
Todd and Melinda Caldwell ♥
Timothy & Lauren Rader ♥
- 22 Luella Mae Adkins, Brooke Pittmon, Grace Royalty
Darin and Kimberly Hensley ♥
- 23 Wayne Logan II
- 24 Don and Brenda Lampton ♥
- 25 Cindy Karrick
- 26 Becky Fisher, Nick McGregor, Katlynn Rose
Phillip and Susan D'Egidio ♥
- 27 Jonathan Grate
- 28 Jeremy & Katlyn Popovitz ♥
- 30 Kristen Jones

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The Resurrection of Jesus

After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he

lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

While they were going, some of the guard went into the city and told the chief priests everything that had happened. After the priests had assembled with the elders, they devised a plan to give a large sum of money to the soldiers, telling them, "You must say, 'His disciples came by night and stole him away while we were asleep.' If this comes to the governor's ears, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble." So they took the money and did as they were directed. And this story is still told among the Jews to this day.

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Matthew 28: 1-20 (NRSV)

"He is not here for He is risen!"

