

In Honor of Mothers

“The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world.” These words from Emerson express a profound truth. They point to the importance of mothers and their impact on society.

Abraham Lincoln once said, “All that I am or can be, I owe to my angel mother.” The blessing of a loving, caring mother is one of God’s great gifts to mankind. There is no single individual who can have more influence on a child than a mother. A poem by Martin Buxbaum reminds us of this:

*“I held her hand in mine last night, Hands so thin and worn,
And they held mine just as tightly... As the day that I was born.
Those gentle and expressive hands... Etched by work and care,
Have folded o’er my bedside... Many times in humble prayer.
They’ve washed me, they’ve fed me, They’ve helped me be a man.
There is something of our Lord Himself... In every mother’s hand.”*

Scripture lauds the role of godly mothers. It emphasizes their profound influence on individuals, churches, communities, and nations. Godly mothers mold and shape vessels fit for the Master’s use. They leave their indelible mark on the hearts and minds of their children.

Mothers deserve more appreciation and credit from us, their children, than can be adequately expressed. On this special day, we thank the Lord for our mothers!

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A Gift for Mother...

It is a good custom that children remember their mothers on that special day called Mother's Day. What is the best gift they can give?... A card or candy is always nice. Flowers of any kind or color are usually appreciated - even a flower from the yard or flower garden is very special if coming from a small child. But these gifts are not the greatest that you can give!

If your mother is a Christian, she has taught you to live as a Christian. She has been involved in teaching you about God, and Christ, the Son of God (**2 Timothy 1:5; 3:14,15**). Your mother has been interested in you learning about the church that Christ purchased with His own blood (**Matthew 16:18; Acts 20:28**). And when you became old enough she was thrilled that you were born again by becoming a child of God (**John 3:3-5**). As you became old enough to leave home she was naturally concerned about you. When you established your own home she was proud and thankful that you had grown to maturity.

Now that it is Mother's Day, what can you give your mother? The greatest gift you could give to her is to be a faithful Christian. I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth (**3 John 4**). In the context John was talking about his spiritual children, but it is also true that Christian mothers can have no greater gift than to know that their own children are living faithfully as children of God. If you and your mother live faithfully then someday you can both live with God eternally in heaven.

- Arthur Pigman

“Honour thy mother,” - Ephesians 6:2

*Taken from our 5/2/2010 bulletin

On Our Prayer List... Casey Smith-*having medical issues* Anita Buckner-*now home* Bonita Madewell-*now home*
Jimmy Long-*continuing to recover fr hip surg* Rita Stevens-CA W. R. Long
Al & Vicki Peek Jimmy Phy Toad Smith

<p>*Sharon Palk- <i>broken hip/surg</i> . *Jerry Belles-<i>hospice@ home</i> *Mike Mathis-(Keith&Linda Rodger's son) <i>still having a hard time in hosp in Huntsville, had to have surgery last week, will be in the hosp at least a couple more wks.</i> *Aspen Anderson(Nicole Buttrey's niece)<i>bom premature, family requesting prayers</i> *Ronnie Pleasant-Hustburg <i>COC-had surg on Friday-requesting prayers</i> *Marvin Estes-(<i>bloodclot in lungs</i>) Mike Parrish-(<i>Wesley's son</i>) HM *Ethan McClure-(<i>friend of Buttrey family</i>) <i>mass in stomach</i> *Shirley Proctor-(<i>Robert's mom</i>) <i>now hm</i> Mary Davis(<i>M.Burns cousin</i>) hospice *Stephanie Dotson- (Paula Pittman's dght) <i>complications fr heart surg.</i> *Shane Cobb—<i>complications fr diabetes-toe/foot amputated</i> *Wayne Hatcher-<i>mass on liver,—surg in May</i>/Nancy Turner-<i>needs prayers</i> *Faye Marshall-<i>Traci Adam's mom</i> *June Dreaden -<i>S.Rachford's mom</i> *Frank Hall-(<i>Roy Deloach's brother-in-law</i>)-Dialysis *Ed Gunn *Norma Ross-<i>Glenn's mom</i> *John Henry & Carlene Davis *Kyle Miles-<i>having tubes put in ears on May 20th @ St. Thomas</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">THOSE DEALING/BEING TREATED FOR CANCER</p> <p>*Mary Davis-(<i>Mike Burns cousin</i>) <i>Melanoma</i> *Jackie Borders- <i>Lauren Stuart's mom</i> *Kim Marlow-F. <i>Featherstone dght/R. Proctor sister</i> *Tresa Garber Staggs -<i>Frankie's daughter</i> *Wanda Wright—<i>chemo treatments</i> *Jimmy Arnold-Bruce&Roxanne's son's father-in-law *Barry Dean-<i>grandfather of a friend of Rachel Bell's</i> *Larry Hayes-(<i>fr Waverly COC</i>) <i>restarted chemo</i> *Maggie Wright-(<i>friend of N. Buttrey</i>) <i>chemo</i> *David Stokes-(<i>Drew Swearns</i>) <i>step-dad</i> *Stephanie Smith-<i>currently in Horizon</i> *Sharon Curtis *Kenna Rickenbrode</p>
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ASSISTED LIVING & NURSING HOME

AHC Decatur County-726 Kentucky Ave, Parsons,TN 38363-Wyle Marshall (Rm 726)-Traci Adams dad
Dickson Health & Rehab—901 North Charlotte,Dickson,TN 37055 —Clayton England -*Marvin's brother*
Humphreys County-Billy Adams-Rm 712/Jane Ridings-Rehab-Rm 704
104 Forte Hill Rd, Waverly, TN 37185
NHC-Jim Buckner-(Rm 102) Jim & Earline Davis-(Rm 103)Earl Forster-(Rm—100B)/Doris Stokes-Rm 127

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(*Navy-Louisiana*)
500 Woodland Dr, Apt 597

AT HOME HERBERT CAPPS- 1400 Bradley Rd, McEwen ELTON SMITH - 7731 Hwy 70 East , McEwen

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

It's finally here, the
Jones family
(John, Erin, Lydia, Anna & Luke)
are arriving this week!!!

John's first sermon
as our new pulpit minister will be
on May 19th
Sure they could use some help moving in on
Saturday, Let's continue to keep them in our



Congratulations to our recent and upcoming Graduates!!
We're thankful for you & proud of all your hard work!!

*My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments,
for length of days and years of life and peace they will add to you. Proverbs 3:1-2*

KADEN SMITH—McEwen High School—May 17th, 2024

ETHAN FORSTER	HANNAH DAVIS	LAUREN HICKERSON	JACEN ROBERTSON
DEGREE	DEGREE	DEGREE	DEGREE
Teaching—AG	Bachelor of Science in Hlt & Human Perf	Marketing	Business Analytics
FROM	FROM	FROM	FROM
UT Martin	UT Martin	Tennessee Tech	Freed Hardeman
DATE	DATE	DATE	DATE
Dec 9th, 2023	May 4th, 2024	May 3rd, 2024	May 11th, 2024

IN F.O.C.U.S.

Faith, Obedience, Character, Unity, Salvation

Summer break is in the air!! We are about 3 weeks away from summer break for our school age kids. The year has flown by and it's hard to believe that it is almost over. Our youth will have a couple of activities this week. FLAME will meet this Wednesday before bible study and we will have a devotional Sunday night after our worship hour. **Our main activity for this month is our zoo trip on Friday May 31st. Please be sure to sign up if you plan to attend.**

I also want to encourage any of our youth to be at the building on Saturday around noon to help the Jones family unload their U-Haul. It is so exciting to know that this is the week that they will be moving! In Christian Love, Keith

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday May 12th 2024

WelcomeMike Tyler
Lead Singing.....Mark Forster
1st Prayer.....John Hurt
Sermon.....
Lord's Table.....Calvin Buckner
 Terry Parchman Danny Dotson
 Dwight Stuart Todd Mullinicks
 Billy Buttrey Wayne Coates
Closing Prayer.....Mike Robertson
Collect Cards.....Slate Berryman
 & Stirling Hurt
Greeters..... Not at this time
Nursery..... Not at this time
Collect Cups.....Youth
Security.....Team #2

Sunday 6PM, May 12th 2024

Lead Singing..... Mark Forster
Prayer.....Derek Berryman
Sermon.....
Lord's Table.....Gerald Curtis
 W. R. Long
Closing Prayer.....Jimmy Suddeath

Wednesday 6:30 PM, May 15th 2024

Lead Singing.....Bruce Mayfield
Prayer.....Jim Ridings
Adult Class.....Bruce Mayfield

If you are unable to serve...please contact
 Wade Tummins, in advance. (cell 931-209-6291)
 If changes need to be made in scheduling please
 contact Jimmy Phy.

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Week of May 5th 2024

A Caring Church Lifting Up The CROSS And CROWN of CHRIST

HAPPY
Graduation
 McEwen High School
Kaden Smith- May 17, 2024
Freed Hardeman
Jacen Robertson -May 11th, 2024
Tennessee Tech
Lauren Hickerson - May 3, 2024
UT Martin
Ethan Forster - Dec 9, 2023
Hannah Davis - May 4th, 2024

We're Happy
 to Welcome the
"Jones Family"
 John & Erin
 Lydia, Anna & Luke
 We are so thankful
 you have chosen to
 join us in the Lord's
 work here in
 McEwen.
 Hope everyone can
 join us on May 19th
 for John's first
 sermon as our new
 Preacher!

*If you are unable to attend
 any service please tune in to
 our Facebook page or our
 YouTube page to watch the
 services. This is NOT a replacement for the
 command to assemble together as Christ's
 Body, but a tool for those who may be
 homebound/shut-in or sick.

The MESSENGER is online!
Visit the church website
to view!

OUR RECORDS for 5/5/2024

Sunday Morning Bible School	121
Sunday Morning Worship	186
Sunday Evening Worship	NC
Wed. -Mid-Week Bible Study (5-1)-	114
Sunday Contribution	\$7,985
Number of Seeds Planted	2

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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study.....9:00am
 Worship..... 10:00am
 Evening.....6:00pm

Wednesday

Bible Study..... 6:30pm

Elders:

James Buckner	Calvin Buckner
Billy Buttrey	Bruce Mayfield
W.R. Long	Mike Robertson

Deacons:

Derek Berryman	Mike Burns
Wayne Coates	Mark Forster
John Hurt	Barry Phy
Robert Proctor	James Ridings
Elton Smith	Joe Smith
Dwight Stuart	Drew Swearns
Dennis Tester	Ethan Tummins
Wade Tummins	Ronnie Tyler

Staff:

Ministers ---- Every Member
 Pulpit ----- John Jones
 Youth ----- Keith Grigsby
Secretaries
 Terri Tummins/Teresa Fleming