



Memorial Messenger

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Greetings:

I am grateful to everyone who voted for me as the best pastor in the recent contest. There was a rumor that some voted numerous times. I am honored to have been selected for 6 years in a row. Now I have a certificate for my 6 grandchildren. I am sure they will be really excited about that.

Congratulations to MBC for being selected again as the best church. What is it that makes this church the best? It is people who serve faithfully where God has them placed. It is people who are loving to each other as well as friendly and warm to people who visit us. It is people who reach out and witness and minister in the name of Jesus Christ. It is people who give sacrificially so the church can pay bills and move forward. It is you! You make MBC the best church.

Again I urge each of us to pray diligently and daily for the Pastor Search Committee. You have a very good committee who is praying themselves for the leadership of God's Holy Spirit all along their search. They will not recommend someone to you until they are fully convinced that he is God's man to lead the church forward for years to come. Pray, pray, pray! Pray that we will continue to build and prepare for what God has in store for this church. May He bless and guide.

In His Service,

Pastor Ball

God's Amazing Canvas



But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle [you].

1 Peter 5:10





Operation Christmas Child

National Collection Week

November 14-21, 2016

It is time to start collecting your items for the shoebox ministry. Each gift-filled shoebox is a powerful tool for evangelism and discipleship and blessing the children around the world with **Joy, Hope, and Love**. Our church goal is 240 boxes. More information and boxes will be provided in the coming weeks.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT THE OCC PROCESSING PLANT IN BOONE, NC

Preparing the shoeboxes for the trip to their final destination begins November 25 and goes through December 20, except for Sundays. The sign up for this location starts at 10 am Tuesday, September 13, and fills up quickly. Ages 13 and up may volunteer. Ages 13-17 must have one chaperone per 4 youth. We will be volunteering again this year. If you are interested please let us know. You may also go online yourself and

www.samaritanspurse.org/occ. Bunny & Jennifer Jarnigan

Donations

August

<u>2016</u>	<u>Designated Giving</u>	<u>Acct</u>	<u>Memory</u>
7/31/2016	Herbert & Barbara Cureton Marcus & Shirley Moonehyam Don Smith	Bldg Fund Bldg Fund Bldg Fund	
8/7/2016	Ray & Karen Massey Jack & Janet Collins	Bldg Fund RA/GAs	Charles Whitehead
8/14/2016	No Designated Giving		
8/21/2016	Paul & Betty Hux Ed McNabb Alvin Watts Pat Allbaugh	Bldg Fund Bldg Fund RA/GAs Bldg Fund	Charles Whitehead Duke Allbaugh



Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

Luke 6:38

What's Happening at MBC



Ice Cream Social

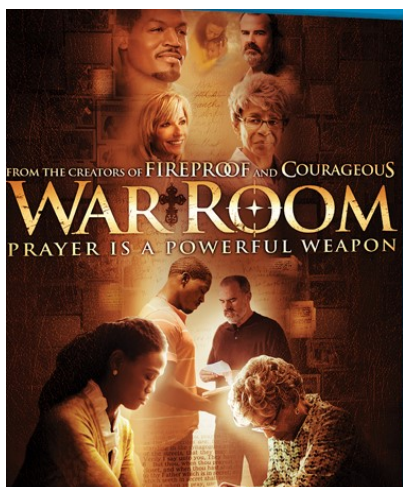
Homemade Ice Cream
Following the evening service
Sunday, September

Everyone Welcome

?? Contact Vickie Mason or Vicky Turner

GROW
Go Reach Our World

We will re-play the movie War Room as many have requested a second viewing. Date to be announced.



GROW will also begin a *new* Movie/Bible Study soon and we invite the entire church to join us —stay tuned! To be announced soon.

Are we taking the medicine that God prescribes for us to have a good life???

He prescribes for us to not worry, to pray, to love others, to forgive, to have faith, to believe, to obey, and to be humble .



The scripture states "I am the LORD who heals you" [[Exodus 15:26](#)]. We read in the Book of Psalms, "the LORD who heals all your diseases" [[Psalms 103:2-3](#)]. **God is your physician.** The **medicine** He prescribes is his Holy Word [[Psalms 107:20](#), [John 1:14](#)].

My son, attend to my words; incline your ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from your eyes; keep them in the midst of your heart. For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh [[Proverbs 4:20-22,NASB](#)].

God's Word has the directions for your cure. You follow the **directions** for the medication that God has prescribe to you for the life and health of your body. The directions given in [Proverbs 4:20-22](#), tell us to pay **attention** to what God says. **Listen** carefully to his words. Don't lose **sight** of his words. Let his Words **penetrate** deep into your heart. Because his Words brings **life** to you and **healing** to all your body.

In [Proverbs 4:22](#), the Hebrew word for health is 'marpe' . Thayer's Lexicon defines **marpe'** as "health, healing, cure". Strong's Lexicon defines **marpe'** as a curative, a cure, literally a **medicine**. The tongue of the wise is health (**marpe'**) [[Proverbs 12:18](#)]. A wholesome (**marpe'**) tongue is a tree of life [[Proverbs 15:4](#)]. You honor God as the great physician by taking His medicine, the Word of God. You continue to spend time meditating on God's Word and renewing your mind [[Romans 12:2](#)]. But you must **take** His healing word in your mouth and **speak it**, because faith has something to say [[2 Corinthians 4:13](#)]. You are diligent to take your prescription daily or more frequently till you receive your cure. You must not neglect His healing prescription for you.

Since we know there is no failure with God, it is obvious that when believers do not receive their healing, the problem must lie elsewhere. Keeping this in mind, we need to realize that healing largely depends on a firm stand in the fact that your prayer has been heard, and that it has been answered. The challenge then comes in not wavering from God's Word [[Romans 4:20](#)]. And in part, that means we need to keep our tongue in line with what God says about our healing.

He that keeps his mouth keeps his life; but he that opens wide his lips shall have destruction [[Proverbs 13:3](#)]. A wholesome [**marpe'**] tongue is a tree of life; but perverseness [crookedness, crooked dealing] there in is a breach in the spirit [[Proverbs 15:4](#)]. Pleasant [kind] words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health [**marpe'**] to the bones [[Proverbs 16:24](#)]. Death and life are in the power of the tongue; and they that love it shall eat the fruit there of [[Proverbs 18:21](#)]. Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil. It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones [[Proverbs 3:7-8](#)]. What man is he that desires life, and loves many days, that he may see good? Keep thy tongue from evil [bad, disagreeable, malignant], and thy lips from speaking guile [deceit, treachery] [[Psalms 34:13-14](#), [1 Peter 3:10-11](#)]. A merry heart does good like a medicine, but a broken spirit dries the bones [[Proverbs 17:22](#)].

September 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 Angela Hudson Debbie Vick
4 NO PM Service	5 Labor Day	6 Josh Collins Tommy Medford Sr	7 Carol Chason Caroline Morrow 6PM Prayer Group RA's/GA's GROW 7pm Choir Practice	8	9	10
11 Deacon Mtg 5pm Nominating Mtg 5pm Ice Cream Social PM	12 Gene Abbott	13 Bunny Jarnigan	14 6PM Prayer Group RA's/GA's GROW 7pm Choir Practice	15	16	17 Barbara Williamson
18 Church Council Mtg 5pm Business Mtg	19	20	21 David Freeman Jill Overholt 6PM Prayer Group RA's/GA's GROW 7pm Choir Practice	22 Emily Shropshire	23 Gay McManus Vicky W.Turner	24
25	26	27	28 Bernice Strickler 6PM Prayer Group RA's/GA's GROW 7pm Choir Practice	29	30	

Nursery

September
 04 Wilma Parks & Terry Ball
 11 Janet Collins & Celeste Collins
 18 Ashley & Justin Ball
 25 Wanda Ball & Amanda Holt

Bunny's Kids

September
 04 Sherrie Smith
 11 Harold Ball
 18 Rachel Mathers
 25 Tracy Jones

Children's Church

September
 04 Frances & Jim Shelley
 11 Melinda Hudson, Dot Barnes & Autumn Miller
 18 Jack & Janet Collins
 25 Jill Overholt & Jean Watts

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