Memorial Messenger

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God's Amazing Canvas

Greetings from John,

I'm overjoyed to receive the call as your senior pastor at Memorial Baptist. The past month has been busy, as we have anticipated making the transition to Newport, TN. Thank you, thank you, for the love and kindness you showed us during my call weekend. You made us feel welcomed!

I also want to personally thank the pastor search committee for their work in this process. They always made themselves available for questions, input, and advice during this process. They represented the church very well during this process!

My first Sunday at MBC will be June 18 (Father's Day), but I will be at the church the week prior, beginning Monday (06/12). Saying this, I would love to meet you for lunch that week or visit with you at the church, as it will help me to get to know you! I can't wait to see the plans God has for Memorial Baptist in the coming days, and I'm honored to be a part of your journey at MBC. God is good!

Blessings,

John Hill

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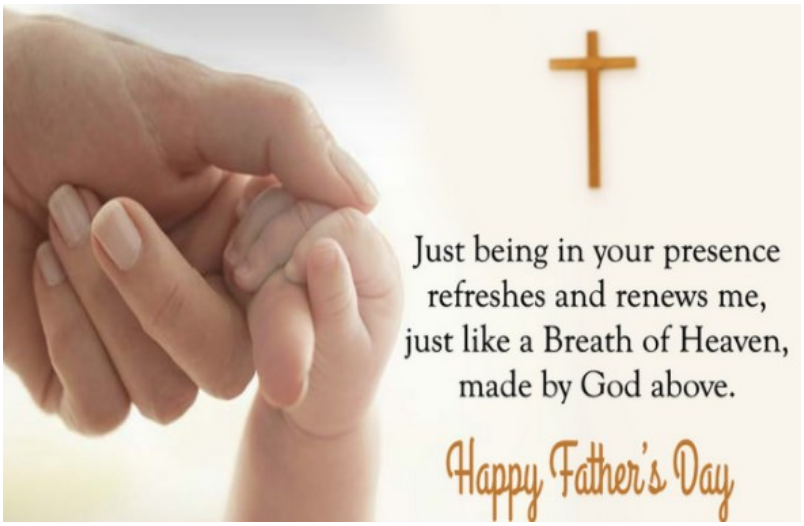
These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

Deuteronomy 6:6-9



Father's Day—June 18th

Always in a Hurry

Do you find yourself always in a hurry? Are you always rushing from here to there with plans that fill your day? Do you get frustrated when something, or someone, delays your plans? Do you ever think that your busy plans are misguided and not what God has intended for you?

Our busy lives often have us running in many different directions, usually on tight time schedules, trying to get everything we can done before the end of the day. We have church and work, ball games and housework, practices and picnics, birthday parties and showers to attend, cookouts to plan and places to go.

It seems we plan our days with more to do than can possibly be accomplished with any resemblance of sanity at the end of the day, and that's only if all goes as planned. Do you ever have a full day planned and come across delay after delay, which causes your frustration to increase by the minute? Whether it be traffic delays or long lines at the grocery store, these inconveniences cause our frustration levels to increase quickly because our "to do" list isn't going to get done.

What if we were as determined about our prayer life as we are about our "To Do" list?

Would we be more helpful to others and ourselves by slowing down, giving attention to what we're doing and be present in our circumstances, instead of daydreaming about the next thing on our "to do" list? I think so.

God wants us to be a person who chooses wisely and plans well. To be a person who seeks the Lord's guidance before setting our schedule, so we can experience the peace of His presence instead of the anxiety of our hurriedness. What would our days look like if we embraced the pace of God's steady grace rather than rushing ahead in our attempts to get more done? What if we actually lived like Proverbs 16:3, commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish your plans.

Let's ask God for insight when we create our schedules and move at a pace that pleases Him. Let's be wise men and women who to avoid the trap of rushing which often leads us in the wrong direction. Let's settle our hearts and watch the anxiousness wash away as we take God's hand and walk in the gentle pace of His steady grace today.

Dear Lord, give us your wisdom as we plan our schedule each day. If we start to feel anxious because we are trying to do too much, remind us to slow down, focus on what we are doing and avoid the trap of rushing in the wrong direction. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

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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

Updating Information on Attendees

Over the next few weeks there will be inserts in the bulletins to allow everyone to update their contact information, as well as family birthdays and anniversaries. We have several ways of contacting everyone to inform you of various events at MBC, closings due to weather, and prayer requests. Everyone can chose which types of contact you would like to receive, if any. This is for all who attend MBC, not just members. To ensure we have the most current records please refresh your information even if you updated it last time.

Thank You!

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June 2017

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Logan Lemmond
4 **Deacon's Meeting**	5	6 Ruth Suggs Tony Rader	7 Janie Medford **6pm – Prayer Group, WMU, RA's & GA's** **7pm Choir Practice**	8 Larry & Rachel Mathers	9	10
11 **Business Meeting** **PM Service** Rae Massey	12	13	14 Frances Smith **6pm – Prayer Group, WMU, RA's & GA's** **7pm Choir Practice**	15	16 Harold & Gerry Ball	17 Wendy Williamson Betty Whitson
18 **John Hill First Day** **Father's Day** No Evening Service DJ & Josephine Messer	19	20 Mitch Turner	21 **6pm – Prayer Group, WMU, RA's & GA's** **7pm Choir Practice**	22 Justin Ball	23	24
25 Bill Yeager	26 Mike & Vicki Vassar	27	28 Richard Luebke **6pm – Prayer Group, WMU, RA's & GA's** **7pm Choir Practice**	29 Harold Ball	30 John & Vida Bell	**Notes:**

Nursery

June
04 Julie Munsey & Emily Shropshire
11 Ashley & Justin Ball
18 Amber Shelton & Camryn Salyers
25 Celeste Collins & Ty Gibson

Children's Church

June
04 Jill Overholt & Jean Watts
11 Barbara Williamson & Tommy Medford
18 Angie & Melinda Hudson
25 Jill Overholt & Ruth Davis

Journaling

June
04 Sherry Smith
11 Vicky Turner
18 Charlene Jones
25 Barbara Williamson

Bunny's Kids

June
04 Joey Byrd
11 Pat Albaugh
18 Sherrie Smith
25 John Hill

Sound Team

June
04 Kim Wilson
11 Bob Nash
18 Julie Munsey
25 Ray Anthony

Sunday Night Worship

June
04 Shanan/Nick
11 Angie/Wendy
18 No Evening Service
25 Mathers

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