



Good News

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Anniversary Celebration

Macedonia Baptist Church is celebrating **100 Years of Service to God** and community throughout 2020.

Beginning on **Sunday, January 26, 2020** and continuing on **every fourth Sunday** we will have a 4:00 p.m. worship service with a visiting guest church joining us in praising the Lord for all that He has done and is going to do in the future at Macedonia.

Dinner will be served by the Culinary Ministry after the 4:00 p.m. worship service.

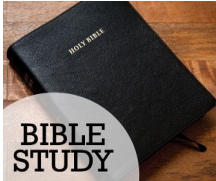
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1920 100TH 2020
Church Anniversary

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIBLE STUDY



The Pastor's Wednesday afternoon and evening Bible Study Classes are held at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. All members and guests are encouraged to attend.

2020 MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

Registration is extremely important! Since our last registration, members have left our church, changed addresses, phone numbers, and in some cases, last names. We must update our records to reflect these changes.

If you value your membership with this church, please make every effort to preserve it. Registration will be held in the Atrium beginning Sunday, January 5, 2020, after the 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship services each Sunday for six weeks. A \$1.00 fee will be assessed to defray the cost of registration.

The By-Laws pertaining to annual registration, Article 1, Section 7, are as follows:

Every member must register in person during the first six (6) weeks of every new year. Provisions will be made for members who are unable to register in person due to illness, military duty, and educational leave.

Any person desiring to register whose name is not found on the current membership list, must offer themselves as a candidate under Article 1, Section 2.

Your failure to register in person by Sunday, February 9, 2020, will indicate that you no longer consider yourself a member of this congregation. The termination of individuals from the church roll will include the forfeiture of all rights and privileges associated with membership, including weddings and funerals.



**MONDAY,
JANUARY 20, 2020**









SERMONS

CDs and DVDs are available through the Audio Ministry. Visit www.mbcdet.com/media or via the **MBCDET app** to listen to archived sermons.



Pastor Charles D. Twymon

-  December 1, 2019, 8:00 and 11:00 a.m.
"The Contagious Christian"
1 Peter 3:8-15
Pastor Charles Twymon
-  December 8, 2019, 8:00 a.m.
"Let Jesus Lead You" Proverbs 3:5-7
Pastor Charles Twymon
-  December 8, 2019, 11:00 a.m.
"If Your God Won't Answer, Then Try Mine" 1 Kings 18:22-24
Rev. George Glass, Pastor
Christian Chapel Church
Oak Park, MI
-  December 15, 2019, 8:00 and 11:00 a.m.
"Some Assembly Required"
2 Peter 1:3-9
Pastor Charles Twymon
-  December 22, 2019, 8:00 and 11:00 a.m.
"No Room For Christ," Luke 2:1-7
Pastor Charles Twymon
-  December 29, 2019, 8:00 and 11:00 a.m.
"They Came One Way, But Went Back Another," Matthew 2:10-12
Pastor Charles Twymon



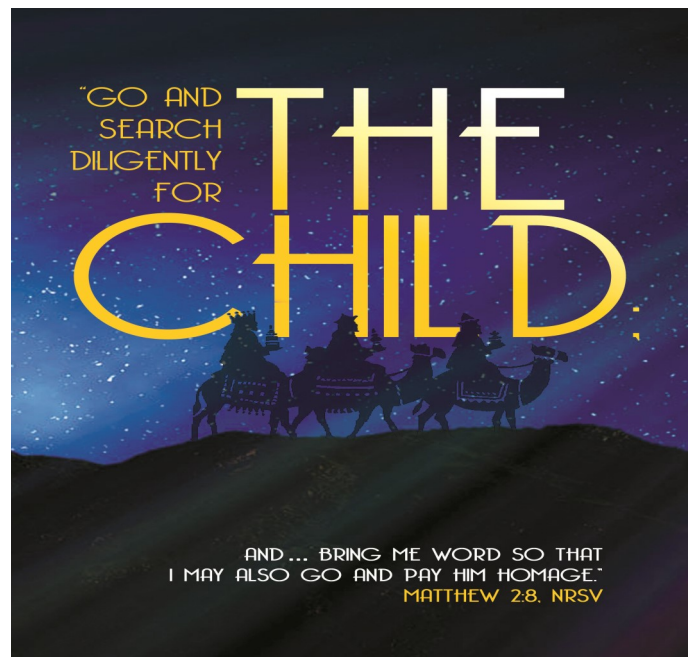
NEW MEMBERS

We welcome our new members who joined in December.



JOVON BLANKS
JOZLYN BLANKS
MARIAH FUQUA
DEAN THOMPSON

The New Members Orientation Class meets on the **2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays** at **9:30 a.m.** on the second floor in the **Upper Room.**



THE NURSING HOME CHOICE CHALLENGE OF 2020

By Gloria Cunningham

A new year comes in with new challenges. The decision to place a loved one, or yourself, into a nursing facility may just be one of them.

It is extremely difficult to find a nursing place that deserves to be called home. A home is where the heart is. A home is filled with love, compassion, and care. A home is bright, clean, sunny and secure. It is often difficult or impossible to find all of these elements within most traditional Nursing Homes and Rehabilitation Centers, as they are labeled.

With God's blessings, many people will move through decades of aging. Consequently, some will find it necessary to become a resident or place a family member into a facility, temporarily or long-term. There are 455 of these centers throughout Michigan, which do not include assisted living, in-home care, and other special options.

Research is paramount. Fortunately, this system of care is highly regulated by the Federal Government. There are ratings and warning systems in place to monitor and impact this system of care, and provide citizens with information to lessen the chance of moving into a detrimental environment.

Time is often a factor that may interfere with reading, comparing, and visiting several centers prior to making an immediate selection. However, it is highly advised that the place of choice is seen more than once, prior to committing to make that move. While viewing don't hesitate to ask other visitors how they feel about the center. Still, if you select a place you later find unsuitable, a transfer can be provided.

Three simple elements that need to be highly considered are close, clean and cozy. Pick a place that is close to the family member that will visit as the "care police" the most. All who have had experience in these communities have unanimously said, "You must come often and unannounced, daily if possible." It makes a difference in the quality of care. In proximity, 5 miles is much better than 25 miles. It allows you to visit often.

Cleanliness is important, and is an indicator of frequency of care. The floors, toilets, tables, linens, and all surfaces must be visibly clean. There should be no lingering stints of strong foul odors, as you enter rooms. These places are filled with illness, disease, and germs to say the least. Linens can show signs of stains and wear, even after being washed in heat and bleach. Family members have to be aware and request replacements.

Cozy translates to the needs of the potential resident and supportive family members. What are the personal preferences? Are the areas open and sunny? Are things tidy and in order? Does it look like a prison, instead of a place of peaceful living? How does the family feel, as all areas are unveiled? If your visit makes you shake your head, lower your chin, and put your hand over your face, choose another place.

There are many chapters in the Nursing Center saga that should encourage families to ban together to help care for their loved ones at home, if at all possible. This, as with all of life's walks, will take much love and prayer.

One known family, hired a nurse through a service that would come to the home Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. to care for the family matriarch. The remaining time of care was shared through rotation by the other family members. It is extremely necessary for more than one family member to give care.

There is a myriad of resources and agencies to assist families with in-home and nursing home care options. Some of these are the MDHHS-Nursing Home-State of Michigan, Area Agency on Aging, and Hannah House, to name just a tiny few. Organizations will help your plan come to life through finances and information.

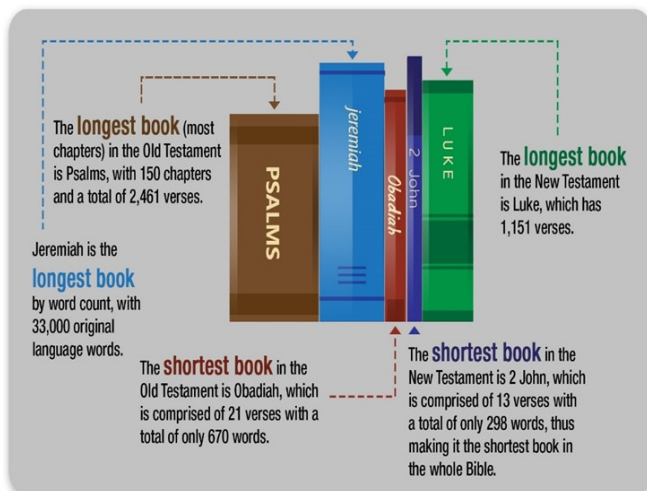
The typical nursing home charges \$100 to \$400 a day. Medicaid is available to pay for this care, but you must qualify. Unless you are very needy, it is much easier to meet the requirements through the health care system, than as an individual applicant.

The choice to leave your home is a major move, even if necessary. Trust in God, pray and support one another, always!

INTERESTING BIBLE FACTS

By Maxine Gardner

- Did you know the length of the longest and shortest books of the Bible could be affected by whether the word count is in English or Hebrew and whether you're considering the whole bible? (Old and new testaments) Although 2nd John is the shortest book, 3rd John has fewer words!



SOURCE: <https://www.biblegateway.com/blog/2018>

- Did you know that sometime around 1976-1980, it was announced in the news that a government funded group of scientists had concluded that humans can live to a maximum age of one hundred and twenty years? Around that age the process which causes body cells to reproduce stops, and the body then dies. These scientists had been paid to discover something that was known three thousand years ago:

“And the Lord said, my spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be a hundred and twenty years.” (Genesis 6:3)

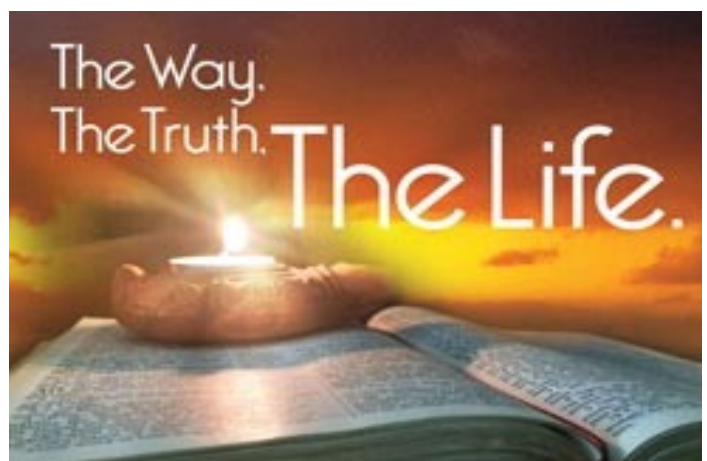
<http://myth-one.com>

- Americans are taught that Christopher Columbus discovered the earth was round. However, did someone know that fact thousands of years before Columbus sailed?

“It is He that sitteth upon the circle of the earth...” (Isaiah 40:22)

<http://myth-one.com>

- The Codex Sinaiticus is one of the most important books in the world. Handwritten well over 1600 years ago, the manuscript contains the Christian Bible in Greek, including the oldest complete copy of the New Testament. Its heavily corrected text is of outstanding importance for the history of the Bible and the manuscript – the oldest substantial book to survive Antiquity – is of supreme importance for the history of the book. <http://www.codexsinaiticus.org>
- Did you know that the Bible is one of the most shoplifted books of all time? Though it is difficult to track the statistics, some bookstore owners claim that the Bible is the most shoplifted book on their shelves! <https://lifehopeandtruth.com>
- Did you know that God is not mentioned in the book of Esther? <http://quiz.christiansunite.com>



NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

Submitted by Wendell Smitherman

Making resolutions is a cleansing ritual of self assessment and repentance that demands personal honesty and ultimately reinforces humility. Breaking them is part of the cycle. ~ **Eric Zorn** ~

Now there are more overweight people in America than average-weight people. So overweight people are now average, which means, you have met your New Year's resolution. ~ **Jay Leno** ~

New Year's is a harmless annual institution, of particular use to anybody save as a scapegoat for promiscuous drunks, and friendly calls and humbling resolutions. ~ **Mark Twain** ~

Yesterday everybody smoked his last cigar, took his last drink and swore his last oath. Today, we are a pious and exemplary community. Thirty days from now, we shall cast our reformation to the winds and gone to cutting our ancient shortcomings considerably shorter than ever. ~ **Mark Twain** ~

A New Year's resolution is something that goes in one year and out the other.

May all your troubles last as long as your New Year's resolutions! ~ **Joey Adams** ~

May this New Year be full of joy, may your resolutions last as long as your cravings for unhealthy food, and may you feel the magic of the New Year in your heart.

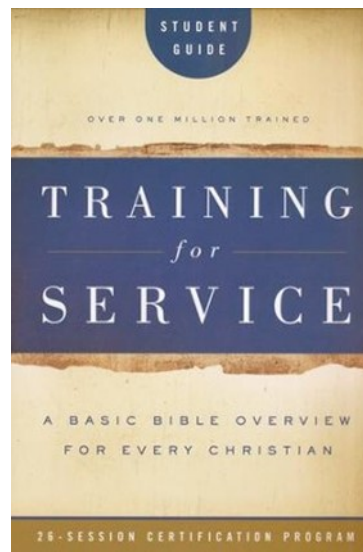
Let this New Year fill you with hope instead of cookies, with joy instead of ice cream and with wonder instead of potato chips.

May the next year find your waistline slimmer, your wallet fatter, your cholesterol lower and your tolerance level higher.

Source: <https://www.inspirational-quotes-short-funny-stuff.com/funny-new-years-resolutions.html>

MACEDONIA BIBLE & BOOK CORNER

Submitted by Sonja Gray



This 26-session Bible overview—designed to equip lay leaders to serve as elders, Sunday school teachers, small group facilitators, and in other positions of service in the church can be completed as a group study or a self-study.

The church depends on volunteer workers to staff educational ministries. Sunday school teachers and small group leaders may have a heart to teach the Bible, but how have they been academically prepared?

Over the course of a century, *Training for Service* has equipped over one million volunteers with this basic course and certification for Bible teaching. This new revision retains all the features listed above and also gives access to www.trainingforservice.com, which:

- Gives the leader access to every reproducible included in the Leader Guide in a larger format.
- Allows the leader to create a full-color, fully personalized completion certificate for each graduate.
- Posts names of every graduate of the course submitted by the leader month by month.
- And contains many more helpful features!

This paperback is available in our Bible & Book Corner, or you can order from christianbooks.com.



Invitation to: *Macedonia Baptist Church Sunday School*

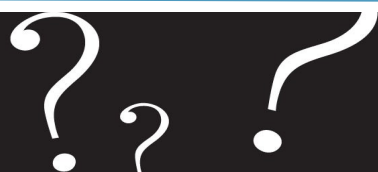
Superintendent of Sunday School: *Rev. Ronald Davis*

Pastor: *Reverend Charles D. Twymon*

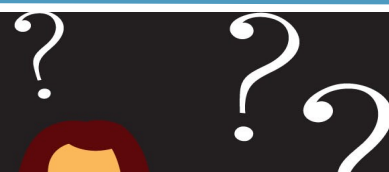
The Sunday School Ministry invites you, your family and friends to attend Sunday School classes. The classes begin at 9:30 a.m. We know you will enjoy the wonderful lessons that will be reviewed, and can apply these teachings to your everyday life. The list of lessons for January 2020 includes the following:

Beginnings of Discipleship

| Date | Lesson | Scripture |
|------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| January 5 | Turning Sinners into Disciples | Luke 5:27-39 |
| January 12 | Commissioning the Twelve | Luke 6:12-19 |
| January 19 | Parable of the Soils | Luke 8:4-15 |
| January 26 | First Mission of the Twelve | Luke 9:1-10 |



Bible Quiz



According to Matthew, who was present at Jesus' baptism? (Choose as many as apply.)

- A. John the Baptist
- B. The Spirit of God
- C. Jesus' mother, Mary
- D. His first disciples



Answer: A and B (See Matthew 3:13-14)



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"Come over into Macedonia and help us." ACTS 16:9



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We meet the 3rd Saturday of each month at 11:30 a.m. in the Media Center. Articles are due by the Thursday prior to the meeting.

