



Good News

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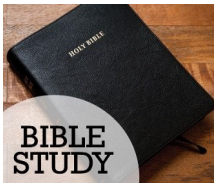
Wishing all the Extraordinary Women of Macedonia a Happy Mother's Day!

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A N N O U N C E M E N T S

BIBLE STUDY



The Pastor's Wednesday afternoon and evening Bible Study Classes are recessed until further notice.

ARK ENCOUNTER



The "Road Trip" to Williamstown, Kentucky on **Friday, May 29, 2020**, to visit the "Ark Encounter" is **canceled**.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

The National Day of Prayer is **Thursday, May 7, 2020**. This day of observance, designated by the United States Congress, asks people "to turn to God in prayer and meditation." The modern law formalizing the annual National Day of Prayer observance was enacted in 1952.

As Christians we recognize this day throughout the year, as we turn to God in daily prayer in thanksgiving for his blessings.

Ministry Day 2020 - has been postponed until further notice.

Come see the ways you can
SERVE



Monday, May 25, 2020

Memorial Day
OBSERVANCE



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

📖 April 19, 2020, 11:00 a.m. Live Stream
"Jesus Cares About You"
Mark 4:35-41
Rev. Terry Minor

📖 April 26, 2020, 11:00 a.m. Live Stream
"We Are More," Romans 8:35-39 KJV
Rev. Eric Shumate



The Fourth Sunday 100th Church Anniversary Services are postponed until further notice.



OF PATIENCE AND PRUNING

In many parts of America, Mother's Day is the recommended date for planting flowers outdoors. Subjecting blooms to the elements any sooner is risky, though sunny spring days sure make waiting tough. Perhaps that's why poet May Sarton calls gardening "an instrument of grace," for it "slows us down and forces patience."

Courage is also required. Gardeners "must be brave enough to cut back the old and sit with bare branches, awaiting new growth," writes Cheryl Richardson (*Waking Up in Winter*). "And we must trust that it will come." When God prunes us, we too must trust that new growth and new life are in store ... and then patiently wait.





The Lord is my helper. Hebrews 1:16

To Our Macedonia Family Members that have lost loved ones to Covid-19, we are sorry for **your** loss. We would like to offer you and your family our deepest and most sincere condolences. May the soul of **your** mother or father, grandmother or grandfather, sister or brother, rest in peace.

Our condolences also to you and your family on the passing of **your** husband or wife, son or daughter, aunt or uncle or friend. May our friendship and prayers ease you through this difficult time. May God's loving presence comfort you, His perfect peace restore you, and His promise of eternal life sustain you during this time of loss.

In Sympathy and Love
Your Macedonia Church Family

A PART OF ME

Lost memories clutter my mind,
Though distantly I can see
A glimmer in the mirror of
My mother, but it's only me.
How she gathered eggs, in her
White apron so tenderly
Or her homemade biscuits and gravy
For my brother and me.
A grandmother's smile
For all the world to see
I'm in her loving arms as
She gently cradles me.
A special aunt whose gift
Of praise, for only me to see
Who sang a sweet lullaby
Just a little off key.

I gather those memories of
Days I'll never see
But in so many faces
Who are all a part of me.
We touch a child's life
For a brief moment you see
For we're to pass it on
A part of you and me.
So many special faces
All collective memories
We humble ourselves before you
Lord, and give special thanks
To our mothers and Thee.

Source: https://www.freechurchforms.com/mothers_day_prayers.html



GRANDMOTHERS ARE MOTHERS WHO ARE GRAND

Grandmothers are mothers who are grand,
Restoring the sense that our most precious things
Are those that do not change much over time.
No love of childhood is more sublime,
Demanding little, giving on demand,
More inclined than most to grant the wings
On which we fly off to enchanted lands.
Though grandmothers must serve as second mothers,
Helping out with young and restless hearts,
Each has all the patience wisdom brings,
Remembering our passions more than others,
Soothing us with old and well-honed arts.

Source: Copyright by Nicholas Gordon <https://www.poemsforfree.com/grandm.html>

PUBLIC HEALTH EXPERT ON CORONAVIRUS: CONCERTS AND SPORT- ING EVENTS WON'T BE SAFE UNTIL 'FALL 2021, AT THE EARLIEST'

Submitted by Wendell Smitherman

As governors across the U.S. consider when exactly to reopen state economies amid the coronavirus outbreak, a former White House health official warns that large gatherings likely could not safely resume until at least the fall of 2021.

Dr. Ezekiel Emanuel, who served as special advisor for health policy to the director of the White House of the Office of Management and Budget during the Obama administration, told a recent *New York Times* panel that "restarting the economy has to be done in stages... Larger gatherings – conferences, concerts events...- I think these things will be the last to return. Realistically we're talking fall 2021 at the earliest."

Dr. Emanuel, who is currently Vice Provost for Global Initiatives and chair of the Department of Medical Ethics and Health Policy at the University of Pennsylvania, added that the overall experience is "going to be this roller coaster, up and down. The question is: When it goes up, can we do better testing and contact tracing so that we can focus on particular people and isolate them and not have to reimpose shelter-in-place for everyone as we did before?"

'Too Soon To Rest on Our laurels'

Emanuel, who has also cast doubts on the effectiveness of the use of an anti-malarial drug against the coronavirus due to the lack of sufficient data, is not alone in advising caution.

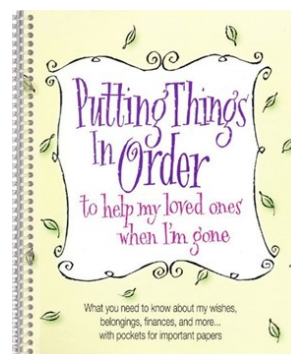
Dr. Tom Tsai, an assistant professor at the Harvard Global Health Institute, also stressed the need to think about other safeguards in place before reopening the economy.

"A lot of these early signs are encouraging ... but it's still too soon to rest on our laurels," Tsai said on Yahoo Finance's The Ticker. "The data from New York showing that yes, we may be at the peak, but it's not a rapid fall off the peak back to normal."

Source: AOL 4/15/2020 AAETHI SWAMINATHAN

MACEDONIA BIBLE & BOOK CORNER

Submitted by Sonja Gray



Spiral bound organizer allows you to put things in order to help our loved ones reference after passing. Record wishes, belongings, finances, and more, with pockets for storing important documents. This book is available in our MBC Bible & Book Corner.



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 enjoy the wonderful lessons that can be applied to your everyday life. The list of lessons for May 2020 includes the following:

The Promised Saviour

Date	Lesson	Scripture
May 3	The Righteous Branch	Jeremiah 23:1-8

Mother's Day

May 10	One King over All	Ezekiel 37:15-25
May 17	A Light for the Gentile	Isaiah 49:1-10, 2
May 24	The Redeemer Will Come	Isaiah 59:1-4, 15-2
May 31	The King's Eternal Throne	Psalms 45:1-17

?? ? Bible Quiz ? ?

While 70 Israelite men were commissioned as prophets at the tent of meeting, two others, Eldad and Medad, were reported to have prophesied in the camp — not following “proper” protocols.

Who defended them?

- A. Moses
- B. Joshua
- C. Jethro
- D. The Lord



Answer: A (See Numbers 11:24-29.)



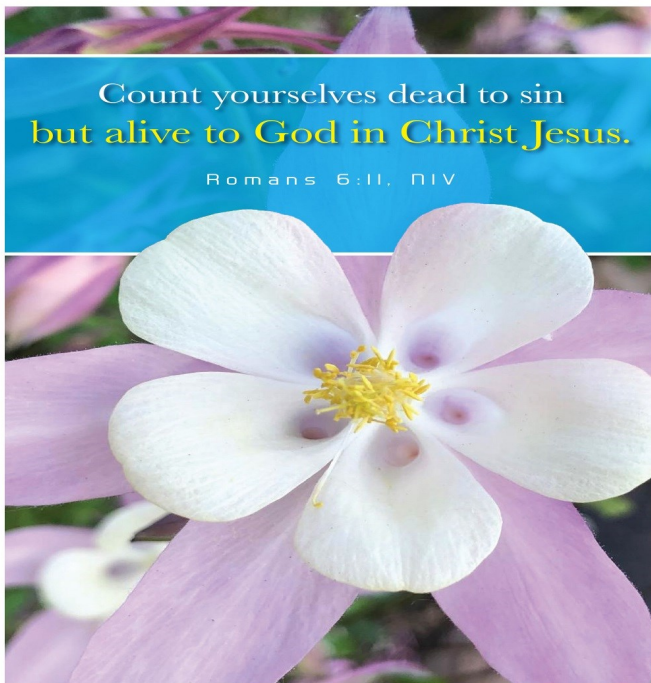
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"Come over into Macedonia and help us." ACTS 16:9



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Count yourselves dead to sin
but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Romans 6:11, NIV

To Our Members and Their
Family

In the hospital, nursing home or
convalescing at home

You're in our Prayers

We hope that you're improving..
And that God's gentle care will bring
you good health soon.