



Good News

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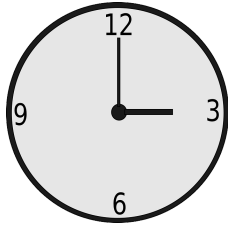
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Office Hours
Monday- Friday
9 am Until...



Macedonia:

The Pastoral Election will take place on Sunday, May 1, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. All members must vote in person.



PRAYER SERVICE
is held every
Wednesday at
12:00 noon in the
Chapel.

Millennial Sunday School for Teens & Young Adults 9:30-10:30 In Person—Meet in the MBC Parlor

SPRING TEACHER'S SOARING SEMINAR

The Ministry of Christian Education in conjunction with the Sunday School Department will be hosting our Spring Teacher's Soaring Seminar in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday May 7, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. This seminar will include workshops to strengthen our teaching ministry. Also, there will be a guest speaker who will challenge and encourage us in the work we do for the Lord as teachers. All are invited to attend. If you are interested, please sign up at the Courtesy Desk. For more information or if you have questions, see Rev. Eric Shumate or Rev. Brady Bennett.

★STAFF★ APPRECIATION



We would like to thank the **Executive Committee** for their hard work and diligence in screening and selecting candidates for our pastoral election. Although many of us have little knowledge of the screening process and what it entails, nor do we realize the toll it takes on those that are given the responsibility and trust to be fair and impartial as they work through the process. However, the Scriptures give us guidelines for a starting point, and those guidelines were met without question. We realize that without a guided team to carry this out, it could have gotten very chaotic.. There is no substitute for doing things decently and in order. We look forward now to once again having a Pastor. We appreciate all that you did!

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.



April 3, 2022, 11:00 a.m.

"The Provision, The Protection, and The Power of The Great Shepherd"

Psalm 23

Rev. Eric Shumate



April 10, 2022, 11:00 a.m.

"Momma, Who Is This Man?"

Matthew 21:1-11

Rev. Ronald Davis



April 17, 2022, 11:00 a.m.

"Who Is Jesus to You, The Rejected Stone or the Cornerstone?"

Acts 4:2, 8-13 NLT

Rev. Ernest Lanier

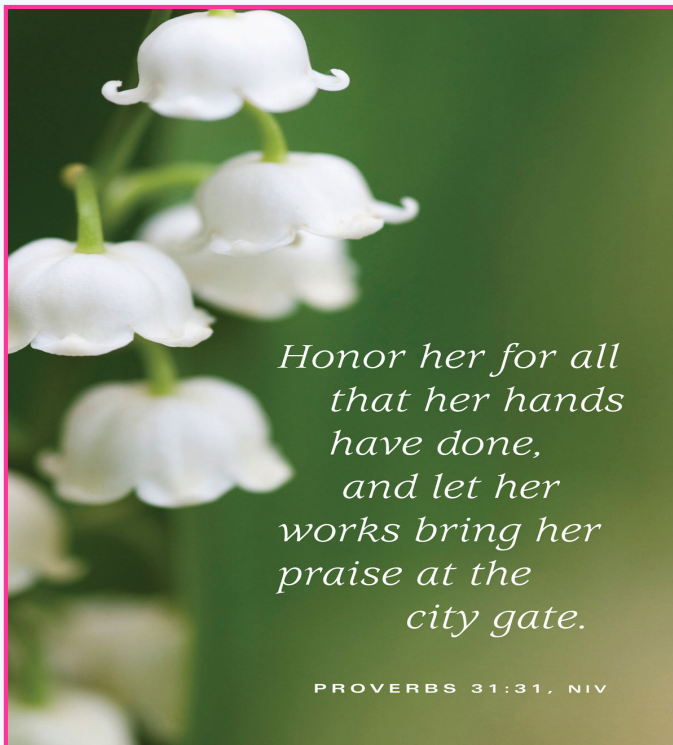


April 24, 11:00 a.m.

"Can You Hear Me Now?"

Revelation 2:7

Rev. Claude May, Pastor, Oasis of Hope



IN-CARNATION

The official flower of **Mother's Day** is **the carnation**, the favorite flower of the mom of the holiday's founder, Anna Jarvis. Over time, the custom arose of wearing a white carnation on Mother's Day if your mother has died and a red one if she's living.

In fact, many carnation colors have special meanings. Pink carries the richest Christian symbolism. According to legend, carnations first appeared on earth as Mary wept while watching Jesus carry his cross. Where her tears fell, there appeared pink carnations, symbolizing a mother's undying love.

According to one theory, the English word for carnation comes from *carnis*, Latin for flesh. From the same root comes *incarnation*, God's coming to earth in flesh. Thus, carnations remind us of our loving mothers as well as our loving Savior.

May 5, 2022


National Day
of Prayer

HISTORY OF MEMORIAL DAY

The Civil War ended in the spring of 1865 when Robert E. Lee surrendered the last major Confederate army to Ulysses S. Grant at the Appomattox Court House on April 9. Over 620,000 soldiers died in the four-year conflict. General John A. Logan of the Grand Army of the Republic (an organization of Union veterans) would eventually select May 30, 1868, as a day to pay tribute to the fallen:

“The 30th of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyard in the land...”

Logan apparently chose May 30 because flowers would be in bloom all over the country. By the end of the 19th century, Memorial Day ceremonies were being held on May 30 throughout the nation. States passed proclamations, and the Army and Navy adopted rules for proper observance at their facilities.

The crowd attending the first Memorial Day ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery was approximately the same size as those that attend today’s observance — about 5,000 people. Small American flags were placed on each grave — a tradition still followed at many national cemeteries today. In recent years, the custom has grown in many families to decorate the graves of all departed loved ones.

By 1890, each Northern state had made Decoration Day an official holiday. But this was not the case in the South, where states continued to honor their dead on separate days until after the First World War.

The May 30 date held for decades. But, in 1968, Congress passed the Uniform Monday Holiday Act, which established Memorial Day as the last Monday in May in order to create a three-day weekend for federal employees. The change took place in 1971. The same law also declared Memorial Day a federal holiday.

Source: nationaltoday.com

TRADITIONS OF THE DAY

Many Americans observe Memorial Day by visiting cemeteries or memorials, holding family gatherings, and participating in parades. It’s the three-day weekend that kicks off the summer season and the time for hanging out at the beach and lakes, and barbecuing with friends and family. But Memorial Day is also the most solemn American holiday — a day to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice while defending their nation.

Towns and cities across the country host grand Memorial Day parades every year, often featuring senior veterans and military personnel. Some of the biggest parades take place in New York, Chicago, and Washington, D.C. Cemeteries and memorials are also visited by Americans, with some citizens wearing or holding red poppies to symbolize those who have fallen in war. This tradition has been around since World War I. Weekend trips and parties are also arranged to balance out the somberness of the day and welcome the summer.

Source: nationaltoday.com

Mother's Day



Moms!

Like so many constants in our lives, we sometimes take our parents for granted. After all, we've known them all our lives. Yes, we know that Mother's Day can feel somewhat commercialized and obligatory, but if you can think outside the checkbox and do something truly special for (or better yet, with) your mother, then why not do it?

She can do it all

For the first couple of years, your mom fed you, protected you, and read "Goodnight Moon" to you until she knew it by heart. After that came the lessons in how to share, to try new foods, and to not wallop your brother over the head with a metal Tonka truck. She encouraged your curiosity, indulged your interests, helped form your sense of humor. In other words, she made you, well, you.

An Inclusive Celebration

Maybe the woman who gave birth to you isn't with you now—but it's a good bet that there are other strong, influential women in your life. Mother figures come in many shapes, so don't take Mother's Day too literally. *Say thank you to any or all of the women you know who work hard and love others, since that's essentially what mothering is all about.*

Coffee Consumption Inhibits Liver Cancer

Submitted by Wendell Smitherman

Drinking coffee stimulates digestion and helps food move through the colon, says a scientific review published on Nutrients. This may be protective against common digestive ailments such as gallstones and pancreatitis. Researchers found that moderate coffee consumption, defined as three to five cups a day may also protect against some liver diseases, such as hepatocellular carcinoma, one of the most common types of liver cancer. The review of 194 publications determined that coffee stimulated changes in the gut microbiota, increasing the level of Bifidobacteria, beneficial bacteria that helps digest dietary fiber and prevent infection.

Source Health Radar, April 2022

A Mother's Day Hymn

Sing praise to our Creator God!
Earth prospers from the way
God "mothers" each new child into
This world day after day.

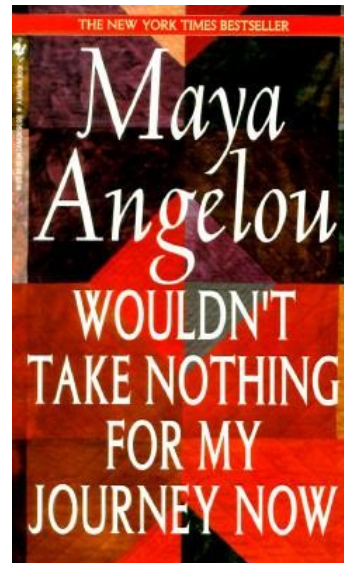
God fabricates in motherhood
A channel from above
That longs to share with every child
God's Comfort, Grace and Love!

Sing praise to our Creator God,
Who "mothers" us from birth!
Providing what we truly need
Throughout our lives on earth.

- Peggy Ferrell

MACEDONIA BIBLE & BOOK CORNER

Submitted by Sonja Gray



Maya A^{ngelou,}
one of the best-loved authors
of our time shares the
wisdom of a remarkable
life in this bestselling classic, published in
1994. This paperback is available in the MBC
Bible and Book Corner.

This is Maya Angelou talking from the heart, down to earth and real, but also inspiring. This is a book to be treasured, a book about being in all ways a woman, about living well, about the power of her words, about the power of faith to move and shape your life. Passionate, lively, and lyrical, Maya Angelou's unforgettable work offers a gem of truth on every page.



Invitation to: *Macedonia Baptist Church Sunday School*

Superintendent of Sunday School: *Rev. Brady Bennett*

Asst. Superintendent of Sunday School: *Rev. Eric Shumate*

The Sunday School classes will be conducting lessons via Zoom for the time being. Additionally, we have identified Sunday School teachers that will provide technical support to access the Zoom classes.

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Brother Michael Moore	Teens & Young Adults	Phone: 313-312-4044 Email: mmore@3lconsulting.info
Sister Mary Ann Windham	Juniors, Beginners & Primaries	Phone: 313-418-8830 Email: maryann.windham@yahoo.com

We invite you, your family, friends and neighbors to join our Sunday School Classes; you will be blessed! All classes are being held onsite and virtually with the exception of the Beginners and Primaries. They are online only.

CLASSES	ZOOM ID'S	PASSWORDS	CLASS TIMES
Adult Men and Women	927 219 5591	4Y06SC	9:30-10:30 AM (ET)
Adult Women	801 855 9447	646902	9:30-10:30 AM (ET)
Millennial Sunday School for Teens and Young Adults	314 202 2102	503816	9:30-10:30 AM (ET)
Juniors (10-12 yrs.)	775 4028 7203	7DJiT2	10:00-10:40 AM (ET)
Primaries (7-9 yrs.)	830 6987 0617	primary	10:00-10:55 AM (ET)
Beginners (4-6 yrs.)	246 295 5225	5TykPq	10:00-10:40 AM (ET)

The list of lessons for May 2022 includes the following:

DATE	LESSON	SCRIPTURE
May 1	Glory of the New Covenant	II Corinthians 3:7-18
May 8	Our Heavenly Dwelling	II Corinthians 5:1-11
May 15	Ambassador's for Christ	II Corinthians 5:11-21
May 22	Spiritual Weapons	II Corinthians 10:1-12,17,18
May 29	Paul's Thorn in the Flesh	II Corinthians 12:1-10



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

