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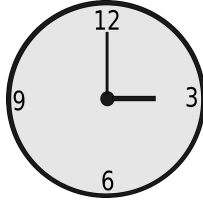
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Church Office Hours
Monday - Friday
9 a.m. Until...



PRAYER SERVICE
is held every Wednesday
at Noon & 6:00 p.m.
in the Chapel.



NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers serve one select Sunday per month during the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service. If interested, please contact Sis. Maxine Gardner at 313-255-4643



Fall Bible Study is in progress. Please plan to attend weekly at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. Our current Lesson is from Matthew Ch. 5, 6, & 7.






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





WEEKLY 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.

-  October 2, 2022, 11:00 a.m.
“The Wind, The Wave, and the Distraction”
Matthew 14:22-31
Pastor Terry Minor
-  October 9, 2022, 11:00 a.m.
“The Pull of Distractions”
II Samuel 11:1-5
Pastor Terry Minor
-  October 16, 11:00 a.m.
“Covering or Confessing..The Choice is Yours”
II Samuel 12:13-15
Pastor Terry Minor
-  October 23, 2022, 11:00 a.m.
“The Essence of a True Confession”
Psalms 51:3-13
Pastor Terry Minor
-  October 30, 2022, 11:00 a.m.
“Choosing Wisdom Over Worry”
Psalms 37:1-8

It's Time to Count Our Blessings

By Wendell Smitherman

Whether it's Thanksgiving Day or not, we should focus on one powerful phrase: “Thank you.” It should always be on the tip of our tongue if we are truly grateful to others who help us each day, and to God who has richly blessed us with more abundance and freedom than any other country in history.

Despite God's abundant blessings, we're often too slow to give thanks and too quick to complain. Maybe we're so focused on ourselves and busy with our lives that we forget to give thanks. Or maybe we in America have become complacent with a level of luxury and leisure beyond the imagination of much of the world's population.

We tend to take our blessings for granted, like the homeowner who hired a real estate agent to prepare an ad to sell his home. The homeowner read the ad in the paper about his home's attractive features. He called the real estate agent to say he no longer wished to sell. When asked what changed his mind, the homeowner said, “after reading your ad, I realized I already live in the house I *always wanted to live in.*”

Even if it's not Thanksgiving, it's always time to count your blessings and pull out that simple phrase, “I thank you”.



DO YOUR BEST AND LET GOD DO THE REST

By Patricia Suber

“Whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not unto men.”
Colossians 3:23

As a youth, my nephew ran track. At the age of ten, his parents took him to Florida to compete in a track meet. The night before the event, his parents noticed that he was solemn and a little down. After some prodding, he shared with them that one of the coaches had sternly spoken to the team members and relayed to them that they were in the competition to win and nothing else was acceptable. As a result, my nephew questioned whether he was good enough to compete and what would happen if he did not win. He was experiencing feelings of inadequacy and was reluctant to even run in the race the next day.

His parents explained to him that challenging work is necessary for competition and if he did his best in the race, that was all that mattered. They would love him no less even if he did not win. This was to be an enjoyable experience for him. Everyone who competes in a race does not place first, second or even third. The goal was to run the race and enjoy the process.

After their conversation, he felt better and decided to participate. Would you believe that his team took first place? Three of his team members came in first, second and third. He came in 70th out of two hundred racers, which was still good enough to share in the first-place victory for his team. To see the look of pride on his face as he took pictures with his medal was a beautiful sight. If he had decided not to run, he would have denied himself the privilege of knowing what he was capable of accomplishing.

If in life we lose at some things, or fail to reach our intended goal, it does not have to be the end of the world. It can be the beginning of a new challenge—to do even better the next time.

Runners such as Wilma Rudolph, Jesse Owens, Usain Bolt, Lemaitre, to name a few, achieved greatness in track. However, even though they won many trophies, medals, and/or titles, they were also acquainted with defeat. However, they did not let loss deter them. They maintained their focus and did not abandon their efforts to be successful in achieving their goals.

As we run the race of life, we all want to be winners. However, we must be willing to stay the course and not give up because the race may be difficult or may cause us to stretch beyond our comfort zone. We must be determined to try even if others tell us that, if we do not win, we are of little value.

God accepts us wherever we are and in whatever condition we are in and lovingly seeks to make us better if we are willing to let Him run the race with us. Trust Him to work things out. Refuse to allow doubt and pessimism to hold you captive and keep you from your good. Do your best and let God do the rest.

Macedonia Women's Ministry Participates in Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk

By Sister Vernetta Register

In support of Breast Cancer Month, the Women's Ministry of Macedonia once again participated in the American Cancer Society's Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk which was held **Saturday, October 8th at the Detroit Hart Plaza.** Making Strides Against Breast Cancer is more than just a walk, it's a movement! A movement that raises lifesaving funds to support breast cancer patients, survivors, thrivers, and caregivers through every step of their journey. It is the nation's largest nonprofit leader in the fight against breast cancer. This was my first-time walking in this event and found it to be so inspiring and uplifting. I was encouraged by the many testimonies from the survivors of 4, 6, 10, 15 and more years, which is just another reminder of God's goodness! We may have not been touched by this devastating disease, but know someone who has. By supporting the Making Strides movement financially and actively, we are helping to sustain the future of breast cancer research and programs for our loved ones today – and for the coming generation.

Cancer information, answers, and hope.
Available every minute of every day.
1-800-227-2345 (24/7 helpline) or web-
site: www.cancer.org



Pictured above Left to Right:
Gail Lewis, Vernetta Register,
Geneise Edwards, Josie Majid



Pictured above Left to Right:
Geneise Edwards, Gail Lewis, Philippia Shumate,
Mary Ann Windham, Vernetta Register

A Veteran's Service

American hero Eddie Rickenbacker (1890-1973) led a life of daring and risk, from racing cars as a teen to piloting warplanes. Throughout his experiences, Rickenbacker grew in faith while discovering that "life had no meaning except in terms of helping others."

In the first issue of *Guideposts* magazine, Rickenbacker described spending four agonizing months of 1941 in the hospital after an accident. While recovering, he pondered life and death, concluding that he couldn't give up because he still "had work to do, others to serve."

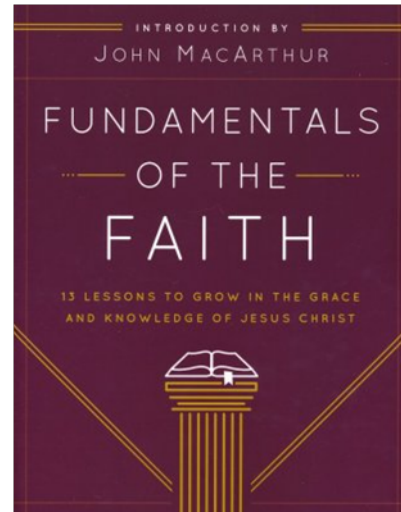
Less than two years later, that ordeal came in handy. After crashing in the South Pacific, Rickenbacker and "seven other starving men" were adrift on a raft for 21 days. Most were "so young they needed the strength and understanding of a man who had been down in the valley of the shadow, who had suffered and made sense out of his suffering," he said. "It was clear to me that God had a purpose in keeping me alive. ... I had been saved to serve."

—Janna Firestone



Macedonia Baptist Church Bible and Book Corner Book Review

Submitted by Sonja Gray



On Sunday mornings at Grace Community Church, where John MacArthur preaches, small groups gather in *Fundamentals of the Faith* classes to use this manual of thirteen lessons that blend basic biblical truths with personal obedience and service.

For the first time ever, *Fundamentals of the Faith* is available to everyone in book form. With topics ranging from "**God: His Character and Attributes**" to "**The Church: Fellowship and Worship**," **this study is ideal for discipling new believers** or realizing afresh what it means to follow Jesus. Each lesson is loaded with learning tools to help you engage Scripture:

- A link to 13 free downloadable messages by John MacArthur himself
- Study questions and memory verses
- Suggestions for practical application

If you are a new believer or know someone who is, *Fundamentals of the Faith* is the perfect resource for establishing a solid biblical foundation for the Christian life. This wonderful Bible Study book is available for purchase at the Christian Books website: (www.christianbooks.com) or Amazon.



Superintendent of Sunday School: *Rev. Brady Bennett*

Director of Christian Education: *Rev. Eric Shumate*

The Sunday School classes will be conducting lessons via Zoom for the time being.

Note: The Juniors Sunday School Class Zoom Information, Effective October 2, 2022, has changed, Please see below.

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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.)	755 2646 4085	3WCNis	9:30-10:30 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 November includes the following:

DATE	LESSON	SCRIPTURE
November 6	Obedience in Justice	Exodus 23 1-9
November 13	Obedience in Rest	Exodus 31 12-18
November 20	Obedience Among Neighbors	Leviticus 19:9-18,33-37
November 27	Obedience in Celebration	Leviticus 25:1-12



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



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Remember to Cast your...



By November 8, 2022



**Daylight Saving Time ends at
2 AM on Sunday, November 6**