

On the Calendar

December 2013

24...Men's Christmas Eve Breakfast 7a Cracker Barrel (I-55 N)

.....Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 5:30p Auditorium

24-27...Christmas holidays (office closed)

January 2014

01...New Year's Day (office closed)

02...JAM Holiday on Ice in Madison 1pm (church parking lot)

11-12...Dr. Richard Oster (seminar, class, and sermon)

19...New Life Sunday 10:30a Auditorium

25...Mid-South Girls Conference Sycamore View CoC, Memphis, TN

Adult Classes

SUNDAY 9:30 A.M. FC-fh

Dec. 22: Keith Parsons

Dec. 29: Keith Parsons

*WEDNESDAY 6:30 P.M.

The Story: Tracing God's Heart through Scripture FC-5: Various teachers

Praise Team Rehearsal FC-6: Various teachers

*Classes will not meet on Dec. 25 or Jan. 1.

Sermon Schedule

Dec 22: Jack Reese

Dec 29: Jack Reese

Jan 05: Jack Reese

Jan 12: Dr. Richard Oster

Jan 19: Carlus Gupton

Jan 26: Jack Reese

Feb 02: Dave Bland

Feb 16: Randy Harris

Small Groups

Small Groups will take a holiday break and resume January 5, 2014. A new video series will begin Sunday, January 19. Check the Web site and *Windows* for updates. <http://meadowbrook.org/ministries/small-groups/>

Meadowbrook Leadership

Elders:

Don Berryhill	Jeff Richardson
Jim Kopf	Ton Rietvelt
Phil Lucas	Don Seago
Bud Martin	Jesse Simpson
David Read	Blaine Totty
Tom Reaves	Larry Whiting

Staff:

Amanda Box, *Children's Minister*
Julie Jacobs, *Admin. Asst.*
Belinda Melson, *Admin. Asst.*
Michael Tolleson, *Admin. Minister*
Jonathan Woods, *Youth Minister*

Weekly Stats - Dec. 15, 2013

Attendance: 367

Weekly Budget: \$17,376

Contribution: \$18,602



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Windows



Welcome! We extend a friendly greeting to all worshipers today. If you are visiting or if you have a prayer request, please complete a prayer/guest card provided on the back of the pew in front of you and place in the offering plate.

December 22, 2013

We Gather in Love

1002 Angels We Have Heard on High..... Mike Hampton

Welcome & Prayer Blaine Totty, Jr. Shepherd

Lighting of the Candle of Love

#996 O Little Town of Bethlehem

Micah 5:2-5

#828 Instruments of Your Peace

For God So Loved...

Breaking the Bread..... Larry Stowe

#176 Lamb of God (vv. 1 & 2)

Sharing the Cup

#176 Lamb of God (v. 3)

We Show Our Love

Offering..... Brett Kittredge

Come Worship Christ, the King

The Word

"Two Dreams, Two Songs" Dr. Jack Reese

#202 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Love One Another

Benediction Don Berryhill, Shepherd

#448 The Greatest Commands

Our Mission
*To be a Spirit-led
community of believers
who demonstrate
the sacrificial love
of Jesus to the world*

Our Vision
*To be the
hands and feet
of Jesus*

Our Values
*Worship
Spiritual Maturity
Outreach
Fellowship
Giving
Excellence*

Prayers

Tom Reaves is recovering at home following surgery on his right foot.
Luke Ferguson will have shoulder surgery on Thursday, January 2.
Robbie Riddle, Belinda Melson's brother, is recovering from heart surgery at home.

Condolences: Marjorie Cloer, sister-in-law of Sue Creel, passed away on Tuesday, December 17. Her funeral was Saturday, December 21.

Continued prayers: Helen Whiting, Ida Lambert, Maxine Crawford, Ethel Coleman, Mary Ellis Cravey, Bob Lentz, Barbara Taylor, Stan Goodman - *Lana Byrd's uncle*, John Thomas Kellum - *Roy Kellum's nephew*, Duane Gosa - *Michael Gosa's father*, Rosa Douglas - *Tim Douglas's mother*, Jodi Ozio - *Darrell Jackson's daughter*, Kemmel & Lisa Dunham - *Guatemala*

News

To the Least of These Last Sunday we lit the 3rd candle of Advent and expressed our joy because of our Savior, Emmanuel, God here with us. We responded with joy as Christ's body to feed starving children in Uganda. There may be no greater joy on this earth than to be given the privilege, honor, and blessing to be Jesus's hands and feet to those who are hurting, those who are Jesus Himself, represented by each person who is hungry, thirsty, sick, or hurting. Last week you answered the call, you responded with, "Here am I Lord, send me." You gave immeasurably more than we hoped or imagined. Proving again that it is God who takes control and takes our mustard seed of faith and grows a mighty tree. By God's power, you have filled hungry tummies, and you have saved lives. Praise be to God for His immeasurable love and goodness, and that He chooses to use us, imperfect as we are, to be His love to those who are hurting!

Ministry Search Team The Minister Search Team (MST) is asking for your help in its search to find a new minister to lead Meadowbrook into the future. If you have someone in mind for this position, you can take a form, available in the foyer, to fill out and either drop it in the box provided or hand it to one of the Search Team members or to one of the Elders. We ask that you put as much information as possible on this form in order to assist the MST. MST members are listed on the Web site under The Next Step.

Men's Christmas Eve Prayer Breakfast and Fellowship All men are invited to fellowship together at Cracker Barrel on I-55 N, Tuesday, December 24, at 7:00am. Dutch treat. Please email Larry Stowe at lstowe@bellsouth.net if you plan to attend.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service Please join us for our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service on Tuesday, December 24, at 5:30pm, in the Auditorium.

Wedding You are invited to the wedding of Sierra Noel Lewis and Adam Edward White on Saturday, December 28, 3:00pm, at Wildwood Baptist Church in Clinton, and to the reception following. Please R.S.V.P. 601.259.2045. Adam is the son of Brian and Lisa White.

Meadowbrook Women's Circle The Women's Circle will meet on Wednesday, January 8, at 10:30am, at Linda Bellamy's home. Co-hostess is Judy Stinson. Drinks and dessert will be provided. Please reply to Linda if attending.



KFC - KFC will not meet TODAY or December 29, but there *will* be a threes nursery for the 10:30 hour. KFC will resume January 5.

To the Least of These - Wow, our whole church was inspired by the many ways our children and their families raised money to help feed the children in Uganda. Awesome job, everyone!

Teachers needed! - Our awesome Meadowbrook kiddos need some teachers for Sundays and Wednesdays beginning in January. Please see Amanda Box for details, 601-896-4622, amanda@meadowbrook.org.

JAM outing to Holiday on Ice, Madison, January 2, 1-4pm - Cost details to be announced. The church van will leave the parking lot at 1pm. Working parents, please let us help you with transportation issues. Contact Amanda, amanda@meadowbrook.org.



There are NO more events in 2013 for the MYG.

Information and dates for 2014:

1. Mid-South Girls Conference is January 25. This is a great day-conference at Sycamore View Church of Christ in Memphis as girls gather to learn, grow, and challenge each other as they fellowship. Cost is \$20 and sign-up deadline is January 12.

2. Winterfest 2014 is February 14-16. Cost is TBA and sign-up deadline is January 20.

3. Spring Break Beach Retreat is in the works. Tentative dates are March 13-16.

More details about all these events and more will be available in early 2014.

Sharing

End-of-Year Contributions

If you donated a non-monetary item to the church in 2013 and did not receive a letter acknowledging that donation, please call the church office. Also, checks received after December 31 will not be included in calendar year 2013 charitable contribution statements unless the check is mailed and post-marked December 31 or before. Charitable contribution statements will be mailed out on or before January 31, 2014.

Guest Speakers—Save These Dates in 2014:

Sat. and Sun., Jan. 11 [2 sessions] and 12 [class and sermon], Dr. Richard Oster will conduct a seminar at Meadowbrook on the book of Revelation. He is known in academic and religious circles as a scholar, archaeologist, linguist, author, and an expert in the NT epistles, having studied the old manuscripts in libraries across the globe. Now teaching at Harding in Memphis, his latest book is [Seven Congregations in a Roman Crucible: A Commentary on Revelation 1-3](#). Please plan to be there.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER: Meals will not be served on December 25 or January 1.

Holiday Hours The church office will be closed Tuesday, December 24 - Friday, December 27. It will also be closed on Wednesday, January 1.