LETTER FROM THE PASTOR



"Worried Sick"

Have you ever been overwhelmed? Have you literally been given an upset stomach with worry and a sense of things being out of control? If you have ever been worried sick, God's Word has some good medicine for you. You are not alone in your struggles.

How wonderful that God personally cares about those things that worry us and weigh on our thoughts. He cares about them more than we care about them. Not a single nagging, aching, worrisome, stomach-turning, blood-pressure-raising thought escapes His notice. We are reminded of this as we read

1 Peter 5:7: "You can throw the whole weight of your anxieties upon him, for you are his personal concern." Isn't that a blessing? He genuinely cares.

He is able to bear all the weight of your worry. Because you are His personal concern, you never escape His mind. On January 17th we will kick the year off with a new series called, *"The Weight Of Worry"*. We will all be prescribed God's promises as we find relief from His Word. If you feel like you are carrying a load that is too great for you... you are probably right. Join us as we learn to throw off the worry and weight we were never meant to bear. *In Christ,Pastor Chris*

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Dear Church family and Administrative Council, I just want to say thank you so much for the very sweet Christmas bonus. We appreciate that more than you will ever know. I am so very blessed to be a part of such an amazing church that has always stayed true to what God is calling us to do. Thank you for allowing me the honor of working with these amazing kids. They are such a blessing to me. I can't wait to see what 2021 has in store for our church. Thank you once again for all the love and support. Happy 2021 lets go share God's love with the world. I love you all











KIDS FUN DAYS JANUARY 10 FEBRUARY 21 TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED



March 13 - Daddy Daughter Dance

March 28- Easter

Eggstravaganza

We are hoping to do more family and kids fundays off campus. Stay tuned for more information



MTP YOUTH PARENT NEWSLETTER | JANUARY 2020

What's Happening...

YOUTH GROUP

5:00-7:30P, 10TH, 17TH, 24TH,31ST

YTH BIBLE STUDY 6:00-7:30P, 6TH, 13TH, 20TH, 27TH

NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

7:00-10:00P, DEC 31ST **Bring a dish to share

WINTER RETREAT FEB 26TH-28TH **Register Online

What We're Learning...



Week One

Mark 7:5-8; Mark 7:21a; Matthew 11:28; John 14:27 Because of Jesus, emotions don't have to be the boss of you.

Week Two

James 3:13-14; James 3:16; James 4:1-2; Philippians 2:6-7 Because of Jesus, anger doesn't have to be the boss of you.

Week Three

Matthew 10:16a; Matthew 8:24-27; Matthew 10:28-31; 1 Peter 5:7 Because of Jesus, fear doesn't have to be the boss of you.

Week Four

Proverbs 4:23; Romans 8:1-4 Because of Jesus, guilt doesn't have to be the boss of you.

REMEMBER THIS

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. Romans 8:1-2 NIV

THINK ABOUT THIS

Emotions. Think of what our life would be like without them?

However, because they are so strong, they can be both helpful and also hurtful. This series we are talking about several powerful emotions and finding ways to feel about things the way God would want us to feel about them.

Daily Cues



Morning Time

A huge wonderful piece of who we are created to be is our emotional side. This month we are taking a look at several powerful emotions and seeing what God has to say about them. This month look not only at what your kids say and do but also look for evidence of how they feel about things and guide them health by trusting in Jesus with their emotions



Meal Time

the question "if you could change anything about the problems that people face in the world, What would you change and Why? This question might lead you to better understand the things that they care about and is a great place to leverage their feelings to gain more knowledge or actions in regard to that issue.



Their Time

When it comes to emotions it is usually hard to understand exactly what is going on and get to the root of the issue. A great question to ask people is "How do you feel about that?" or "What do you think about that?" Instead of being quick to jump in and fix a problem, look for opportunities to help them understand the emotions behind the problem.



Bed Time

Ask

We

often think about the parts of a person being what they KNOW, what they FEEL, and what the DO. Ask them who some of their heroes or role models are (not you) and ask what they know about these parts of these people. Specifically, ask "How do the people you look up to feel about...?" "What does that make them do about it?" "How does that make you feel about it?"



Thank you to all who participated in this year's cantata and Kids Christmas Play! We had 2 spectacular Sundays of worship through music! I hope that many were blessed by the messages in both performances. I look forward to a wonderful year of music in 2021 at MTP! Easter Cantata practice dates will be coming soon! - Candace Grubbs

MTP MEN'S GROUP ...

Greetings from MTP Men. I don't know about you but I am so ready for 2020 to be in our rear view mirror. Thank you from the group for your support of MTP Men this year with the events we were able to have and your support made these events successful. For December we were blessed with the opportunity to serve the MTP Youth their meals on the 6th and 13th, on the 13th they wiped out 17 pounds of bacon with their eggs and pancakes. On Saturday the 12th we partnered with the Youth to clean up the yard for the Loggins family and had 15 youth there to help us.



One of our goals for 2021 is to partner with our youth in a mentor program to help them learn some life skills and bless people in the process. One of our goals for 2021 is to partner with our youth in a mentor program to help them learn some life skills and bless people in the process. Our kickoff event for 2021 will be the Wildlife Banquet on March 27. Stay tuned for details. We serve an awesome God!!!!!

Respectfully submitted, Greg Moore

MTP WOMEN'S GROUP ...

We want to say THANK YOU to everyone who did an Operation Christmas Child shoebox, as a church, we were able to collect 103 shoeboxes! Our group was able to make donations to Love Line, Hospice, Meals on Wheels & the Murdoch Center with our MTP Women's group end of year money. We invite the ladies of the church to join us at our next meeting, which will be on January 25 at 6pm in the MTP Banquet Room. We will have soup & sandwich meal provided, so come hungry!

We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Serving the Church in January

Ushers:

January 3: Adam Buckner, Ryan Hilton, Daniel Rich, Garrett Rich January 10: Danny Buckner, Joey Ferree, Cooper Clontz, Ronnie Russell January 17: Joe Hayworth, Gary Hilton, Brad Stokes January 24: Brandon Harden, JW Motsinger Jay Payne, Craig Fleming January 31: Tyler Everhart, Timmy Hege, Greg Johnson, Jeremy Ray Worship Leaders: 8:30 Worship 9:45 Worship **II Worship** Donny Baldridge Donnie Durham January 3: Timmy Hege Donnie Durham Donny Baldridge January 10: Daniel & April Rich Donny Baldridge January 17: Donnie Durham Greg Moore January 24: Donny Baldridge Donnie Durham Jay Payne January 31: Donny Baldridge Donnie Durham Greg Moore 8:30 Worship 11 Worship Greeters: 9:45 Worship leff & Debbie Eller The Owens Family Glen Morgan January 3: Jescena Sink Deborah Durham Dow & Beth Craver January 10: January 17: Tim & Amy Sexton Nicki Hilton Keith & Paula Knolmayer January 24: Pam D. Hall **Dinah Farrington** January 31: Doug & Gail Aderhold Bo Sink Nursery: 8:30 Worship 9:45 Worship 11 Worship Phil & Sue Fitzgerald Laura Gregg & Jamie Proctor Jennifer Driggers January 3: January 10: Jescena Sink & Sarah Brown Kim Walser & Ashley Coons & Pam Hall Pam & Lindsay Hall lanuary 17: Julie Motsinger & Jane Payne Ellen Hilton & Megan Williams Kelly Peacock Wendy Harper & Teresa Harden Allison Martin January 24: Jennifer Driggers |anuary 31: Vince & Sarah Brown Meggan Nobles & Kristi Burnette lennifer Driggers MTP KIDS KLUB 9:45 Sunday School Classes: 3-Year-Old Class: 2-Year-Old Class: 4-Year-Old Class: anuary 3: Cameron & Katie Koontz Melissa Swaney & Alura Luara Hartley & Tina Grubbs January 10: Amy Johnson & Tia Starner Rachel Waisner & Casey Miller Josh & Chelsea Kearns January 17: Anna Ruth Crouse Rachel Baldridge & Hally Allred Tina Grubbs & Leandra Glance January 24: Amy & Samuel Nifong Maddie & Amber Stokes Victoria McCrary & Misty Carr January 31: Youth Youth Youth Ist Grade Class: 2nd Grade Class: 5-Year-Old/Kindergarten Class: **Tiffany Brister** Eileen Sloan anuary 3: Tony & Karen Hyde January 10: **Jill Murphy** Leandra Glance Dianne Reid January 17: Tobbie Lanning & Laura Cameron Kelly Kiger ane Mendenhall January 24: Keith & Paula Knolmayer Mary Bowdish **Emily Sander** January 31: Youth Youth Youth 3rd Grade Class: 4th Grade Class: Kelly Kiger Jenny Hagee January 3: Stephanie Comer Amy McDevitt January 10: January 17: Misty Petree Jenny Hagee January 24: Amy McDevitt January 31: Youth Youth Children's Church: 8:30 Worship **11** Worship January 3: Diana Payne Josh & Chelsea Kearns January 10: Christina Turner Cindy Buckner January 17: Elizabeth Diaz Amy Johnson January 24: Lisa Lane Jason & Melissa Moser lanuary 31:

MTP Youth & MTP Kids January Servers:

Debbie Hoffman, Susan Morgan, Bonnie Darr, Sue Fitzgerald, Jane Mendenhall, Kathy Sloan

January Birthdays

- 2 Taylor Parks
- 3 Danielle Cecil, Kathryn Binkley
- 4 Sean Taylor, Ken Woempner
- 5 Bobby Miller, Greg Moore
- 6 Diannah Kearns, Kevan Hedgecock
- 7 Anna Kennedy
- 9- Stacey Blackwood, J Mark Hilton, Ryan Hilton
- 10 Dot Cecil, Benny Hilton, Kaci Hedgecock
- 11 Bob Boswell, Colson Sink
- 12 Brynlee Hall, Bill Miller
- 13 Kameron Conrad
- 14 Brenda Moore
- 15 Phil Fitzgerald, Gary Hinkle
- 16 Brooke Clark
- 17 Julie Peacock, Emily Elrod
- 18 Tim Swaim
- 19 Charlotte Hall, Lee Koontz, Glen Morgan, Josh Hartley
- 21 Meredith McDaniel, Morgan McDaniel, Courtney Swartz
- 23 Roger Black
- 25 Tim Swicegood
- 26 Holly Ferree
- 27 Paul Edwards, Wesley Sink
- 28 Cam Clark, Briana Sanders, Ian Shively
- 29 Jacob Edwards, Davy Owens, Lauren Putnam
- 30 Sierra White
- 31 Evan Ayers, Alyssa James

ATTENDANCE & STEWARDSHIP

November 29, 2020:

8:30 Worship - 138 9:45 Worship - 282 11:00 Worship - 75 Total Weekend Worship - 495 Sunday Small Groups - Youth Sunday General Offering - \$12,564.00 FLC Offering - \$877.50

December 6, 2020:

8:30 Worship - 166 9:45 Worship - 282 11:00 Worship - 146 Total Weekend Worship - 594 Sunday Small Groups - Cantata Sunday General Offering - \$15,743.00 FLC Offering - \$3,776.00

December 13, 2020

8:30 Worship - 92 9:45 Worship - 438 11:00 Worship - 77 Total Weekend Worship - 607 Sunday Small Groups - Christmas Program General Offering - \$7,328.00 FLC Offering - \$1,005.00

December 20, 2020:

8:30 Worship - 128 9:45 Worship - 207 11:00 Worship - 74 Total Weekend Worship - 409 Sunday Small Groups - 219 General Offering - \$9,582.00 FLC Offering - \$13,615.00

Memorials & Donations

--Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Evelyn Leonard by Bill & Joanne Baughn --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Betty Hiatt by Bill & Joanne Baughn --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Sara Smith by Bill & Joanne Baughn --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Ruby Allred by Bill & Joanne Baughn --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Ida Bodenheimer by Bo & Helen Terry --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Ruby Allred by Bo & Helen Terry --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Ruby Allred by Chris & Jenny Hagee --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Ruby Allred by Timmy & Jill Hege --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Ruby Allred by Jane Payne --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Ida Bodenheimer by Jane Payne --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Dale Payne by Jack & Micki Cox --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of David Hedgecock by Jack & Micki Cox --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Nancy White by Floyd White --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Ruby Allred by Floyd White --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Ida Bodenheimer by Floyd White --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Ruby Allred by Robert & Teresa Harden --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Ida Bodenheimer by Robert & Teresa Harden --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Ida Bodenheimer by Shirley Johnson --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Ruby Allred by Shirley Johnson --Given to the MTP Choir in Memory of Betty Blue by Sara Graeub, William Blue & Margaret Hofsass --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Ida Bodenheimer by Gary Hilton --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Ida Bodenheimer by Bill & Elaine Darr --Given to the Cemetery Fund in Memory of Ida Bodenheimer by Peggy Shuler --Given to Mt. Pleasant Church in Memory of Carrie Margaret Fleming by John & Martha Kimble --Given to the Family Life Center in Memory of Carrie Margaret Fleming by Timmy & Jill Hege --Given to Mt. Pleasant Church in Memory of Carrie Margaret Fleming by Johnny & Deborah Lucas

Throughout the Bible the idea of light is seen over and over. It represents life, joy and most importantly the presence of Jesus. In fact, He is the light of the world! This year at Mt. Pleasant we will continue to experience life, joy and the presence of Jesus as we share the unfailing love of Jesus with our friends with special needs.



This spring we will celebrate by hosting our "Light Up The Night Prom". I want to thank you in advance for your commitment to loving, serving and honoring the Lord and His children with special needs. It will be a night of dancing, laughing, singing and tears of joy. As we take on this amazing opportunity I thank you for your generosity and willingness to donate your time, resources, talents and cars. This will be a night you will never forget and I can't wait to light up the night!! Register Online at: MtPleasant.Church/Light-Up-The-Night *Register by February 5*



Night to Shine is Virtual ... but we still want your help!

The Tim Tebow foundation will be hosting a virtual Night to Shine prom on Friday, February 12. We will be putting together a Night to Shine Swag Bag for each registered guest on Sunday, January 31. These bags will be picked up the week of February 7 - 11.

Register Online at: MtPleasant.Church/Night-to-Shine Register by January 8 We are asking for volunteers to register to help sponsor a bag, sponsor a t-shirt, write hand written notes to each guest, pray over each swag bag, help put together the swag bags & to be our own paparazzi the week on 2/7 - 2/11 as guests pick up their goodies.

Both of these events deserve so much love, prayer, and attention. Below is a "heart story" that reminds us how important these events have been and will continue to be! So please, take a moment today to register to help! NTS at MTP is the one night of the year that we can go somewhere as a family and feel completely welcomed! Instead of people looking at our daughters wondering what's wrong, MTP volunteers look at them and see what's right! Now that our girls are 18, there's not a lot they can do out in the community. NTS is an event that the girls look forward to. It's also the only time they will wear a dress instead of their pajamas! They danced the night away! One of them "ran" down the red carpet, not once, but 15 times while the crowd cheered her on! As parents, it was so nice to be served a delicious meal that we actually had the time to savor. We knew our girls were in good hands. Thank you so much for putting the dance on for a second year. I pray MTP will host many more! - parent of guests



Hurting from the pain of **separation** or **divorce**?



Thursday Evenings | 6:30 PM beginning January 21

Divorce is one of the most painful experiences you can face. So many emotions. So many challenges. You don't have to go through it alone. DivorceCare offers support, answers, and practical tools to help you manage the many stresses of separation and divorce and find healing.

DivorceCare is a 13-week support group that helps you heal from the pain of separation or divorce. If you would like to find out more, please email the church office at office@mtpleasant.church.

January 2021 Events

Sunday's Monday's Wednesday's	Youth Group Prayer Group Meeting Prayer Group Meeting	5:00 - 7:30 PM 6:45 PM 10:00 AM
Friday, January 1	Happy New Year	
Sunday, January 3	MTP Men's Breakfast Meeting	7:00 AM
Friday, January 8	Deadline to register for Night to Shine	
Sunday, January 10	MTP Kids Fun Day	1:00 - 5:00 PM
Tuesday, January 12	Choir Practice	6:45 PM
Sunday, January 24	Red Cross Blood Drive	12:00 - 4:00 PM

Mark Your Calendars ...



OUR MISSION

To Boldly Share the Unfailing Love of Jesus

OUR VALUES

Authority of Scripture Authentic Relationships Obedient Surrender Expectant Hearts

OUR VISION

To Turn Our Community Upside Down for Jesus Christ



WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY - 8:30AM | 9:45AM | 11:00AM