

MAY 2023

MTP NEWSLETTER

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PROVERBS: PRACTICAL LESSONS & WISE WORDS

The first time you face a tough choice at work or school.

The point in a relationship when you know it isn't going to work.

Making good, positive and Godly friends.

The moment you hold your first child.

The day you realize your parents need you to start caring for them.

In those times when we wish life came with a guide book, Proverbs is the place to go.

Proverbs provides practical help for everyday life. Written by the wisest man to ever live, Proverbs warns us about the people and pitfalls we'd do well to avoid. And, it gives us insight into how to be successful at work, at home, in relationships, and with our resources.

Proverbs is not simply a list of promises, but a list of timeless instructions from God. In each wise saying, we discover how to handle countless situations.

I would like to invite you to join us as we discuss several of these practical and powerful ideas beginning May 28th. My prayer is that by the time summer ends, we will all be wiser and closer to Christ and one another.

In Christ,



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MT. PLEASANT
CHURCH

MTP CONNECT

Wednesday Mornings at 8am in the FLC we will meet for a devotion and some laps around the gym. Stay tuned for details about our upcoming Group gatherings.



COFFEE WITH STARBUCK



4th Thursday of each month. Our grief group is a gathering of a caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone.

SINGLES MINISTRY

We meet on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month. We encourage all singles in the church and our community to join us!

- May 7 | 6pm | Dairi-O's
- May 21 | 6pm



THURSDAY, MAY 4
BOTANICAL GARDENS & LUNCH



Connection Group LUNCHEON

Calling all Retirees! Once a month we will gather for a meal & a chance to chat and "connect". Everyone is welcome!

Shepherds Staff

Possibility of Smith Grove Church in Advance being our "sister church", we hope to meet with them soon and talk some specifics about what we would want that to look like and what can we do to assist them/branch out from our current church, or send lay speakers or youth to preach, etc.

We are working with Felecia to make a leadership book for members that are voted onto committees and into leadership. This book will contain a current copy of bylaws, a description of our church structure/work flow, current committee members and committees, and vendor information for trustee members. We hope this book will help our future church leaders to be informed of our policies and the different roles of our committees.

We are actively talking about the future of our growing church and what the next step for Mount Pleasant is.

"My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work. Don't you have a saying, 'It's still four months until harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest.

John 4:34-35 (NIV)

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

YOUTH LOCK-IN

6 | 6:00P – 6:00A

Join us for an evening of food, games, jumping, and NO SLEEP! Drop off at MTP with parent pick up at Surge in Winston-Salem. ALL STUDENTS need both an MTP waiver and Surge waiver completed online.

YOUTH BREAKFAST

3, 10, 17, 24, 31 | 7:00 – 7:30A

Every Wednesday morning, when Davidson County Schools have classes. Students 5th – 12th grade come together for breakfast and devotion.

BIBLE STUDY

3, 10, 17, 24 | 6 – 7:30P

Students 5th–12th grade are invited to dive deeper into the book of Luke. Through group discussion and study, they will discover the life and teachings of Jesus, as well as the ministry and trials of his early followers.

GRADUATE LUNCH

21 | Noon

All Graduates and their Parents! Join us for a special lunch and time to honor the 2023 graduates.

[**Register Online](#)

YOUTH GROUP

21 | 5 – 7:30P

“Youth” is our Sunday evening programming comprising games, a shared meal, music, message, and small group discussion time.

BEACH RETREAT PARENT MEETING

21 | 5 – 7:30P

“Youth” is our Sunday evening programming comprising games, a shared meal, music, message, and small group discussion time.

ADVANCEMENT / TIE DYE PARTY

June 4 | 5 – 7:30P

Time to celebrate our rising 5th Graders and kids as they advance to the next level. Enjoy an ice cream party followed by tie-dyeing our Beach Retreat shirts. (Extra shirts can be purchased in the online store.)

MAY YOUTH SERVERS

Victoria Gaither, Kathryn Perdue



Anxiety is one of the top struggles students are facing. But what, if anything, does God do to help? In this one-week standalone talk, students will learn the differences between helpful and unhelpful anxiety and be encouraged to take steps through the difficult feelings that so many of us face. The goal is to raise the bar on conversations about anxiety so that students discover that hope is available even while life gets overwhelming.

Week One

Psalm 23, John 10:11-14

God makes a way for you to know you'll be ok.*

*Ok may not mean cured, without anxiety, or completely healed. But it does mean you can be more "ok" than you may feel right now.

MEMORY VERSE

"Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me."

Psalm 23:4a, NLT

ENGAGE IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS TOGETHER



MORNING TIME

As your teen starts their day, ask them if you can pray for them about anything they are concerned or worried about.



MEAL TIME

At a meal this week, ask everyone to share something someone said recently (or not so recently) that impacted them positively and meant a lot to them.



THEIR TIME

When your teen wants to talk, be mindful of your facial expressions.



BED TIME

Pray that both you and your teen will find peace when you are anxious, and that God will help you see things through the lens of His protection, love, and control.

May 2023



**Sharing God's love,
one child at a time!!!**

What's Happening

- 5/4-Prayer at the Pole-Friendship Elementary
- 5/7-Talent Show and Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser
- 5/14-Mother's Day

July 23-27



KIDS KAMP

June 26-29
8:00-11:30

Bible stories, crafts, music, games, special guest, snacks, lunch and more...

Ages 4 years old-rising 4th graders

Younger kids may attend with parent or guardian

Register @

<https://www.mtleasant.church/kids/>

☆ GOD'S ☆ TOP TEN

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1. Put God first. 
2. Worship Him only.
3. Respect God's name.
4. Respect God's day of rest.
5. Obey and respect your parents. 
6. Never hurt anyone.
7. Be faithful to your promises.
8. If it's not yours, don't take it. 
9. Always tell the truth.
10. Be happy with what you have. Don't wish for other people's things. 

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I CAN DO
ALL THINGS
THROUGH
HIM WHO
GIVES ME
STRENGTH.

PHILIPPIANS 4:13

 

fellowship

About WOW

When:
3rd Saturday each month

Where:
FLC Banquet Room

Guests are welcome!

Need more info?
Contact Karen Taylor
or Janie Penry.

The vision for Mt. Pleasant's Women Offering Worship is to equip women who are on the journey of reflecting Christ.

Worship is revealed in different ways, and we celebrate the uniqueness in how God has designed us. We also recognize how easy it is to allow daily life to interfere with a heart that has a posture of worship.

Our gatherings are open share to help solidify the calling God has on our life as we go back into the world as his ambassadors.



Change⁴Change

Mother's Day - Father's Day

Every bottle filled with change, cash or a check provides funds for education and practical support for mothers and families in need.



May - June C2 - Community Connection

MTP Women

The Mt. Pleasant Women met on March 27. After the meal we had a speaker – Sarah with Adult Teen Challenge. This organization works with men only, who are facing the challenges of addiction; the ages are teenagers through adults of any age. This is a faith-based way to work with men who face addiction, and they are really making a difference in the lives of the addicted men and their families.

We prepared a Blessing Box to be given to a family as our mission project.

We also met on April 24. We had a meal, and a plant sale to add funds to support mission projects. Our April mission project was Blessing Boxes for two families. We welcome anyone who would like to join us for any meeting.

May meeting will be on Monday, May 22 at 6:30pm.

Mission Committee

Mt. Pleasant Church's participation in the Cooperative Community Ministry's "Meals of Grace" has gone well with several small groups and individuals preparing take-out meals that are distributed from the CCM's facility in Thomasville.

More volunteers are needed to serve July through November.

Mt. Pleasant is committed to distribute meals on the second Thursday of every month to those in need in Thomasville. Past meals have consisted of a hot sandwich, chips, fruit, snack cake and water. They can be prepared at the church kitchen or at CCM. The number of meals usually is no more than 60.

For more information and to sign up, please contact Brenda Flack or Tina Grubbs.

Benevolence Committee



STOCK THE SHELVES

Please help the Benevolence Committee help Thomasville CCM

Please fill the grocery bag with the following items
(depending on the grocery store cost ranges from \$20-\$25)

- 1 Jar of Pasta Sauce
- 2 Boxes of Mac & Cheese
- 1 Can of Pasta (ravioli, spaghettios)
- 1 Can of Chicken (12.5 oz.)
- 1 Can of Fruit
- 1 Breakfast Item
- 1 Peanut Butter
- 1 Box Crackers
- 1 Can of Soup

During the month of May, please pick up an empty grocery bag from the church lobby, return bags before May 31st.

SKEET SHOOT

SATURDAY, MAY 27 | 12 - 4PM



353 Lewis Jones Rd. | High Point 27265

MTP Men

MTP Men's Group will be having a community outreach project on May 5th and 6th & is looking for folks that would like to help work on this project.

If you would like to help, please reach out to Trent Hayworth - hayworthtrent@gmail.com

Our annual Skeet Shoot will be on Saturday, May 27 from 12 - 4pm. Hotdog Lunch & Competition for all ages with prizes for any Youth Competitions.

All are welcome to this great community event!

Please RSVP on the church app or online | MtPleasant.Church/Events

May Birthdays

- 1 - Sarah Finch
- 2 - Lillie Sink
- 3 - Darwin Parks
- 4 - Leah Fleming Perkins
- 8 - Brandy Gardner
- 9 - Kevin Clark, Jake Fleming
- 10 - Robert Grubbs, Austin Knolmayer
- 11 - Randy Cecil
- 12 - Beth Craver
- 15 - Anne Edwards
- 16 - Melissa Baity, Eleanor Cameron
- 17 - Chloe Everhart, Jon Sloan
- 18 - Doug Aderhold, Cindy Buckner, Riley Green,
Chip Jordan, Diana Payne, David Walser, Phil Sloan
- 19 - Bo Terry
- 20 - Don Davis
- 22 - Malinda Cagle, Devin James, Janis Hopkins
- 23 - Josh Hall, Donald Kennedy, Ellie Binkley
- 24 - Melody Jarosz
- 26 - Gregory Johnson
- 27 - Adam Buckner, Catherine Mendenhall, Nathan Parks
- 29 - Amanda Clontz, Eli Fleming
- 30 - AJ Sprinkle
- 31 - Sarah Penry Lanning



ATTENDANCE & STEWARDSHIP

March 26, 2023

8:30 Worship: 211
9:45 Worship: 320
11:00 Worship: 52
Total Weekend Worship: 583
Sunday Small Groups: 399
General Offering: \$16,408
FLC Offering: \$3,603.36

April 2, 2023

8:30 Worship: 163
10:00 Worship: 318
Total Weekend Worship: 481
General Offering: \$14,701
FLC Offering: \$2,070

April 9, 2023

Sunrise Service: 338
8:30 Worship: 420
10:00 Worship: 430
Total Weekend Worship: 1,188
General Offering: \$16,960
FLC Offering: \$1,200

April 16, 2023

8:30 Worship: 163
9:45 Worship: 284
11:00 Worship: 38
Total Weekend Worship: 485
Sunday Small Groups: 321
General Offering: \$14,564.00
FLC Offering: \$1,000.00

April 23, 2023

8:30 Worship: 175
9:45 Worship: 300
11:00 Worship: 38
Total Weekend Worship: 513
Sunday Small Groups: 300
General Offering: \$12,294.00
FLC Offering: \$3,525.00

Memorials & Donations

- Given to Mt. Pleasant Church Cemetery Fund in Memory of Benny Hilton by Dennis & Frankie Weavil
- Given to Mt. Pleasant Church in Memory of Benny Hilton from Larry & Libby Essick
- Given to Mt. Pleasant Church Cemetery Fund in Memory of Benny Hilton by Gary Hilton
- Given to Mt. Pleasant Church Cemetery Fund in Memory of Benny Hilton by Michael & Linda Hilton
- Given to Mt. Pleasant Church in Memory of Gene Briggs by Triad Financial Advisors
- Given to the Family Life Center in Honor of the Connections / Young at Heart Group by the Young at Heart Group

SERVING THE CHURCH IN MAY 2023

Ushers:

May 7: Adam Buckner & Joe Hayworth

May 14: Greg Moore & Bryan Bray

May 21: Ronnie Russell & Gary Hilton

May 28: Gary Craven & Tim Starbuck

Greeters: 8:30AM

May 7: Doug & Gail Aderhold

May 14: Wendy Harper

May 21: Karen & Stan Bowen

May 28: Len & Terrie Blevins

9:45AM

John & Kathy Butt

Danny & Denise Roberts

The Shufelt Family

Chet & Lorrie Varner

11:00AM

Joanne Baughn & Ester Skiff

Greg Moore

Ronnie & Dot Russell

Doris & Patsy

Info Center: 8:15 - 9:45AM

May 7: Jay & Stephanie Payne

May 14: Sharon Payne

May 21: Josh & Chelsea Kearns

May 28: Bill Baughn & Jane Mendenhall

9:30 - 11:00AM

Adam & Sammie Jo Prior

Keith & Paula Knolmayer

Bo & Jescena Sink

Dianne Reid

FLC / Sanctuary Greeter: 8:15 - 9:45AM

May 7: Gayle Mabe

May 14: Jeff & Shelby Smith

May 21: Gail Aderhold

May 28: Sandy Ellis

9:30 - 11:00AM

Danny & Denise Roberts

Lee Koontz

Peggy Shufelt

John Butt

Coffee Bar: 8:15 - 9:45AM

May 7: Debra Casselbury

May 14: Ryan & Allison Martin

May 21: _____

May 28: Emily Campbell

9:30 - 11:00AM

Pam D. Hall

Casey Miller & Beth Meyer

David & Lauren Rathbone

Ashley Craven

Parking Lot: 8:15 - 9:45AM

May 7: Randy Wilhoit

May 14: _____

May 21: _____

May 28: _____

9:30 - 11:00AM

Jeff & Rebecca Tussey

Youth & Kids: 9:15 - 10:00AM

May 7: Ellie Kiger & Peyton McDevitt

May 14: Brady Coons & Melody Murray

May 21: Holly Edwards & Maddie Wall

May 28: Cooper Clontz & Katelyn Brann

May Youth Servers:

Victoria Gaither, Kathryn Perdue



KIDS KLUB SERVERS - MAY 2023

Nursery: 8:30AM

May 7: Macie & Bryce
May 14: Jescena & Allison Sink
May 21: Julie M. & Jane P.
May 28: Wendy H. & Teresa H.

9:45AM

Garlicks, Charla W., Macie & Bryce
Kim, Pam, Laura, Caitlin & Maddie
Emily, Beth, Rachel & Tonda
Allison, Mitzi & The Wright's

11:00AM

Tricia Anderson
Jennifer Driggers
Courtney Lake
Jennifer Driggers

2 Year Old:

May 7: Cameron & Katie Koontz
May 14: Amy Johnson
May 21: Micah & Jessica Moore
May 28: Amy & Samuel Nifong

3 Year Old:

Melissa Swaney & Alura Trail
Megan W., & Morgan M.
Tiffany W. & Tammy V.
Michael & Amber Bridges

4 Year Old:

Brandy T., Alex P. & Kalyn S.
Mae H., Taylor H. & Valerie N.
Janet & Spence Wood
Kalyn & The Fritts

Kindergarten:

May 7: Laura C. & Courtney
May 14: Jill M., Lucas & Mary Kate
May 21: Misty Carr & Victoria M.
May 28: Keith & Paula Knolmayer

1st Grade:

Tiffany Brister
Brandi S. & The Hiatt's
Tess R. & Whitney W.
Josh & Heather Beasley

2nd Grade:

Eileen Sloan
Dianne Reid
Jane Mendenhall
Emily S. & Brandi S.

3rd Grade:

May 7: Sidnee Bruner
May 14: Bob & Jeannette Beck
May 21: Misty Petree
May 28: Erica Martin

4th Grade:

Jenny Hagee
Amy McDevitt
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Amy McDevitt

Children's Church:

8:30AM:

May 7: Diana Payne
May 14: Christina Turner
May 21: Chad & Caite McGuire
May 28: Lisa Lane

11:00AM:

Trina Sprinkle & The Smith's
Cindy Buckner & The Rathbone's
Amy Johnson & Julie Butt
Mike & Kristin Hagee



MAY EVENTS

Tuesday's	Prayer Group Meeting	10 AM
Tuesday's	Choir Practice	6:45 PM
Wednesday's	Youth Breakfast & Devotion	7 AM
Wednesday's	MTP Connect	8 AM
Thursday's	Pickleball	6 PM
Friday's	Men's Bible Study	6:15 AM

Monday, May 1	Pickleball	6 - 8 PM
Thursday, May 4	Connection Group Outing	9:30 AM - 1 PM
Saturday, May 6	Youth Lock In	6 PM - 6 AM
Sunday, May 7	Church Vote	8 AM - 11 AM
Sunday, May 7	Kids Talent Show & Spaghetti Dinner	5 PM
Sunday, May 7	Singles Ministry - CAST going to Dairy-O	6 PM
Monday, May 15	VBS Committee Meeting	6 PM
Saturday, May 20	Women Offering Worship	9:30 - 11 AM
Sunday, May 21	Graduate Lunch	12 PM
Sunday, May 21	Beach Retreat Meeting	5 - 7:30 PM
Sunday, May 21	Singles Ministry CAST	6 PM
Monday, May 22	MTP Women's Meeting	6:30 PM
Thursday, May 25	Coffee with Starbuck	10 AM
Saturday, May 27	Skeet Shoot	12 - 4 PM
Sunday, May 28	Memorial Sunday	11 AM

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OUR MISSION

*To Boldly Share The
Unfailing Love of Jesus*

OUR VISION

*To Turn Our Community
Upside Down for Jesus Christ*

OUR VALUES

*Authority of Scripture
Authentic Relationships
Obedient Surrender
Expectant Hearts*

NEXT STEPS

Worship - Grow - Serve - Connect

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES: 8:30AM | 9:45AM | 11:00AM