

NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 2022

Where to Find Truth and Wisdom

How do you know who to listen to or which advice to take when you have a decision to make?

Between family, friends, the news, and the internet, we have access to an overwhelming amount of information. But a hunger for knowledge is only helpful if we're hungry for truth.

The book of Proverbs is full of godly wisdom broken into short, practical sayings.

An honest witness does not lie; a false witness breathes lies. A mocker seeks wisdom and never finds it, but knowledge comes easily to those with understanding. Stay away from fools, for you won't find knowledge on their lips. The prudent understand where they are going, but fools deceive themselves. Fools make fun of guilt, but the godly acknowledge it and seek reconciliation. Each heart knows its own bitterness, and no one else can fully share its joy. The house of the wicked will be destroyed, but the tent of the godly will flourish. There is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death. Proverbs 14:5-12

Here Solomon tells us the best place to seek truth is in God's Word.

Well-meaning people tell us all sorts of things, some true and some false. It's up to us to discern the difference between the two. *"A truthful witness does not deceive, but a false witness pours out lies. The mocker seeks wisdom and finds none, but knowledge comes easily to the discerning" Proverbs 14:5-6*

Making any decision requires discernment. Proverbs 14:15 cautions us not to believe everything we hear, but to take our time and think through the outcomes of our decisions. We don't have to make decisions quickly based on other's opinions. After all, what God has to say on the subject matters the most. Take a look at what the Bible says and ask God in prayer to show you your next step.

God cares about our plans, and He cares about hearts. He will never tell us to do anything that contradicts His Word. Advice may change over time, but the truth of the Bible remains (Isaiah 40:8).

In Christ - 

Something to think about...

- *Are you taking advice from those who love Jesus or those who love the world?*
- *Are you depending on advice from others for complete direction on a decision?*
- *Have you asked God to show you your next step?*



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. Thursday, August 24 | 10am

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!

- August 6 | 6pm - DairiO in Thomasville
- August 20 | 6pm



THURSDAY, AUGUST 3

The Connection Group will be traveling to Jefferson, NC for the day! Meet at MTP at 9am

Register | MtPleasant.Church/Events



Connection Group

LUNCHEON

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



SUMMER '23

MAY

WEDS

BIBLE STUDY 6-7:30 PM

Join us as we journey through scripture and find how it relates to our lives. Open for students 6-12th Grade.

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YOUTH LOCK-IN 6 PM-6 AM

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.

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GRADUATE LUNCH NOON

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

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BEACH RETREAT MEETING 6-7:30 PM

Meet some of the youth leaders investing in your kids, review some of the details of the retreat, and have the opportunity to ask questions.

JUNE

4

ADVANCEMENT/TIE DYE PARTY 5-7 PM

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

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YOUTH BEACH RETREAT

Bring your Bible and some sun screen, we're heading to Oak Island for the best week of the year.

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YOUTH SUNDAY 8:30 & 10 AM

Join us for powerful worship and messages as the MTP Youth lead BOTH Sunday services!

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MOUNTAIN BIKING 7 AM - 4:30 PM

All students will enjoy the scenic views of the VA. Creeper Trail. Pack a bag lunch for the trail. (\$25 per)

JULY

6

PAINTBALL 7:30 AM - 1 PM

Throw on some camo and jump on the bus, it's paintball time. (\$30 per student)

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BIBLE STUDY 6-7:30 PM

Join us as we journey through scripture and find how it relates to our lives. (Students 6-12th Grade)

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CANOE TRIP 8 AM - 3 PM

Pack a bag lunch and hop on the New River. Bring a life jacket if you have one you prefer, life jackets will be provided by Zaloo canoes. (\$20 per)

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ELEVATED WAKE PARK 10 AM - 1:30 PM

Enjoy the thrill of riding on the water at Elevated Wake Park, the only Full-Size Cable Park in the Piedmont. Bring a bag lunch (\$30 per)

23-27

VBS 5:30 - 8 PM

Grab a friend and bring them to this year's VBS. Enjoy dinner, music, study, discussion time, and a pool party.

AUGUST

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LOCAL SERVICE WEEK 8 AM - 2 PM

Join us as we get out in our community and serve.

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BIBLE STUDY 6-7:30 PM

Join us as we journey through scripture and find how it relates to our lives. (Students 6-12th Grade)

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LAKE DAYS 7:30 AM-4:30 PM

Sign up for ONE of our relaxing days on Lake Tillery. Enjoy tubing, fishing, and much more. (\$15 per)

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QUARRY SWIMMING 2:30 - 8 PM

Swimming in a deep, refreshing natural quarry is the perfect way to cool off in the summer. Bring cash for dinner. (\$20 per)

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END OF SUMMER BONFIRE 5 - 7:30 PM

Join us as we burn marshmallows and pretend the char tastes good!

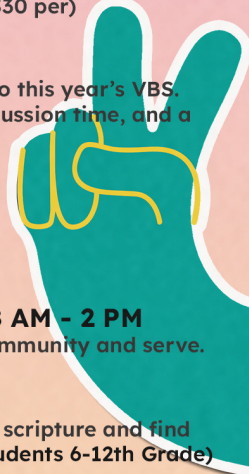
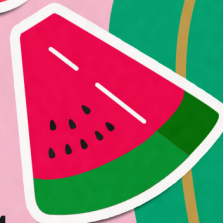
SAVE THE DATE!

Don't Miss out on
The Beach Retreat 2024!

June 8-15

Register for all events online

www.mtplesant.church/youth



August 2023



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

What's Happening

**8/10-High Point
Children's
Museum Field
Trip**

**8/15-Field Trip
to Surge**



Kids Klub Field Trip



**Kids Klub
Field Trip**

**Surge Trampoline
Park**

**Tuesday, August 15
11:00**

Your paragraph text

Register @

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

Be still, and know I am God. *(Psalm 46:10)*

All things God works for the good. *(Romans 8:28)*

Cast all my anxiety on Him. *(1 Peter 5:7)*

Know whose I am! *(1 John 3:1)*

Trust in the Lord with all my heart. *(Proverbs 3:5)*

Open my eyes to see the truth. *(Psalm 119:18)*

Show me your ways, Lord. *(Psalm 25:4)*

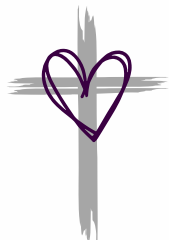
Create in me a clean heart. *(Psalm 51:10)*

He who is in me is greater... *(1 John 4:4)*

Obey the Lord my God. *(Deut. 27:10)*

Oh Lord, you are my strength & shield. *(Psalm 28:7)*

Let love and faithfulness never
leave me. *(Proverbs 3:4)*



MISSION COMMITTEE



It may still be summer, but it isn't too early to start thinking about Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. Collection week is just 15 weeks away! And school supplies are on sale! So now is a great time to start shoebox shopping.

Especially since the Mission Committee has set a very lofty, faith goal. Since our weekly worship attendance is around 500 we are challenging the church to prepare 500 shoeboxes. That's right – 500 mission opportunities to share the unfailing love of Jesus around the world.

In addition to school supplies, you can include personal care items, craft activities, toys, and clothing and accessories. You may also include a personal note and a photo. We will have preprinted boxes available but leftover boxes from your shoe purchases work just fine. Or you may purchase plastic boxes. Hobby Lobby carries the preprinted OCC boxes.



A simple gift – that simply changes lives.

The Mission Committee continues to collect new shoes to distribute to Thomasville schoolchildren.

Parents are urged to pray about buying a pair to donate when they are shopping for their children's school shoes. Perhaps children could help parents pick out shoes while the family discusses the blessing to be found in giving.

Shoes are needed for students in all grades, from elementary through high school. Various stores often have sales, including Academy, Gabe and Rack Room, which sometimes does half off and BOGO deals.

Mt. Pleasant is working with Hillside Park Baptist Church in Thomasville as part of that church's "Walking With Jesus" initiative.

A donation box will be set up in the lobby to collect shoes.





MTP Women's Group

The Mt. Pleasant Women met on June 26 and had a great time with our decorated tables and several guest. We prepared a Blessing Box and Cancer Care items was our Mission Project. The weather turned out to be bad about the time the meeting ended, but we are thankful that everyone got home safely.

Our July meeting was held on July 17 since VBS will be on July 24. We divided into groups and visited eight homes of people who can't get out as easily as they used to. Following the visitations, we met at Mayberry in High Point for Ice Cream. The visits were a blessing to us and we hope they were to those we visited. We also collected snacks for Hospice as a Mission project.

Our August meeting will be August 27. We will do a Blessing Box and a Mission Project. We will also play Back to School Bingo for a fun activity for fellowship.

So thankful for the Power, Love and Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ!

MTP Men's Group

The MTP Mens next meeting is August 13 at 7 am.

All men are invited to join us for a hearty breakfast and some great fellowship.



WOMEN OFFERING WORSHIP

WHEN: 3rd Saturday each month

WHERE: Banquet Room

Guests are welcome!

The vision for WOW 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.

GREETINGS
from Summertime!

Coming Soon!

BodyBuilding 201: Getting in Shape

A two-week overview of the spiritual disciplines of worship, prayer, Bible study, fellowship, evangelism, giving, and ministry. These classes will be an introduction to the Biblical basis of these disciplines and will provide some tools to help you get (and stay) in shape. It is a great way for new believers to make a solid start on their journey with Jesus. And a refresher is always good for those who have been walking with God longer.

August 20 & 27 | 11am

REGISTER -
MTPLEASANT.CHURCH/EVENTS



TO:

Anyone who wants to
grow in their
relationship with God

BACK TO SCHOOL

THE C2 COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR HELP

Our Back To School GiveAway will be on August 19 at the Thomasville Community Center.

We will be collecting the following items -

- Bookbags
- Pens
- Binders (1, 2 & 3 Inch)
- Notebook Paper
- Markers
- Colored Pencils
- Glue
- Crayons
- Scissors
- Pencils
- Pencil Sharpeners
- Erasers

JULY - AUGUST C2

August Birthdays

- 1 - LeAnne Fleming
- 2 - Vickey Borgman, John Howard, Betty Nifong
- 3 - Dave Edwards
- 4 - Kim Cecil, BethAnn Starbuck
- 5 - Matt Miller, Laura Jarosz
- 6 - Craig Fleming
- 10 - Pat Shelton, Peggy Shelton
- 11 - Jason Sloan
- 12 - Lorrie Varner, Marshall Vining
- 14 - David Godwin
- 15 - Adam Dyles
- 16 - Eva Lassiter
- 17 - Larry Nifong, Wes Payne
- 18 - Joey Ferree, Chris Miller
- 19 - Joanne Baughn, Zoe Miller
- 20 - Norma Moore
- 21 - Emily Alphin, Kayla Evans
- 22 - Dwight Hilton
- 23 - Allyson Logan, Richard Mendenhall
- 24 - Brad Miller
- 25 - Hannah Evans
- 26 - Susan Jarosz
- 27 - Ron Zenker, Lizzie Woychik
- 28 - Phyllis Hilton
- 29 - Danny Buckner, Rebecca Cecil, Tracie Conrad
Owen Moore, Kyle Godwin
- 30 - Jerry Hilton, Marris Meyer
- 31 - Reese Mendenhall, Linda Murphy



ATTENDANCE & STEWARDSHIP

June 25, 2023

8:30 Worship: 167
9:45 Worship: 369
11:00 Worship: 32
Total Weekend Worship: 568
Sunday Small Groups: 226
General Offering: \$13,849.82
FLC Offering: \$1,096.00

July 2, 2023

8:30 Worship: 141
9:45 Worship: 243
11:00 Worship: 30
Total Weekend Worship: 414
Sunday Small Groups: 234
General Offering: \$17,517.97
FLC Offering: \$3,130.00

July 9, 2023

8:30 Worship: 150
9:45 Worship: 236
11:00 Worship: 45
Total Weekend Worship: 431
Sunday Small Groups: 285
General Offering: \$9,852.53
FLC Offering: \$1,955.00

July 16, 2023

8:30 Worship: 165
9:45 Worship: 266
11:00 Worship: 28
Total Weekend Worship: 459
Sunday Small Groups: 298
General Offering: \$21,502.00
FLC Offering: \$1,945.00

Memorials & Donations

- Given to Mt. Pleasant Cemetery Fund in Memory of Benny Hilton by Levi & Betty Leonard
- Given to Mt. Pleasant Church in Memory of Millie Shelton by Clancy & Theys Construction
- Given to Mt. Pleasant Cemetery Fund in Memory of Millie Shelton by Lee & Janie Penry
- Given to Mt. Pleasant Church in Memory of Millie Shelton by Lois Murphy, Peyton & Dawne Balsley and Bruce & Venarette McKeon

SERVING THE CHURCH IN AUGUST 2023

Ushers:

August 6: Adam Buckner & Joe Hayworth
August 13: Greg Moore & Bryan Bray
August 20: Ronnie Russell & Gary Hilton
August 27: Gary Craven & Tim Starbuck

Greeters: 8:30AM

August 6: Doug & Gail Aderhold
August 13: Wendy Harper
August 20: Karen & Stan Bowen
August 27: 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

August 6: Jay & Stephanie Payne
August 13: Sharon Payne
August 20: Josh & Chelsea Kearns
August 27: 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

August 6: Gayle Mabe
August 13: Jeff & Shelby Smith
August 20: Gail Aderhold
August 27: Sandy Ellis

9:30 - 11:00AM

Danny & Denise Roberts
Lee Koontz
Peggy Shufelt
John Butt

Coffee Bar: 8:15 - 9:45AM

August 6: Debra Casselbury
August 13: Ryan & Allison Martin
August 20: _____
August 27: Emily Campbell

9:30 - 11:00AM

Pam D. Hall
Casey Miller & Beth Meyer
David & Lauren Rathbone
Ashley Craven

Parking Lot: 8:15 - 9:45AM

August 6: Randy Wilhoit
August 13: _____
August 20: _____
August 27: _____

9:30 - 11:00AM

Jeff & Rebecca Tussey

Youth Greeters: 9:30 - 9:45AM

August 6: Katelyn Brann & Brayden Varner
August 13: Peyton McDevitt & Cooper Clontz
August 20: Brady Coons & Allison Sink
August 27: Reagan Clontz & Ellie Kiger



KIDS KLUB SERVERS - AUGUST 2023

Nursery: 8:30AM

August 6: Macie & Bryce
August 13: Jescena & Allison Sink
August 20: Julie M. & Jane P.
August 27: Wendy H. & Teresa H.

9:45AM

Garlicks, Charla W., Macie & Bryce
Kim, 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:

August 6: Cameron & Katie Koontz
August 13: Amy Johnson & Katie M.
August 20: Micah & Jessica Moore
August 27: Amy & Samuel Nifong

3 Year Old:

Melissa Swaney & Alura Trail
Mae H., Taylor H. & Valerie N.
Tiffany W. & Tammy V.
Michael & Amber Bridges

4 Year Old:

Brandy Thomas & Alex Phillips
Megan W., & Morgan M.
Janet & Spence Wood
Chad & Courtney Fritts

Kindergarten:

August 6: Laura C. & Courtney
August 13: Jill M., Lucas & Mary Kate
August 20: Misty Carr & Victoria M.
August 27: 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:

August 6: Sidnee Bruner
August 13: Bob & Jeannette Beck
August 20: Misty Petree
August 27: Erica Martin

4th Grade:

Jenny Hagee
Amy McDevitt
Jenny Hagee
Amy McDevitt

Children's Church:

8:30AM:

August 6: Diana Payne
August 13: Christina Turner
August 20: Chad & Caite McGuire
August 27: Lisa Lane

11:00AM:

Jeff & Shelby Smith & Leandra Glance
Cindy Buckner & The Rathbone's
Amy Johnson & Julie Butt
Mike & Kristin Hagee



AUGUST EVENTS

Tuesday's	Prayer Group Meeting	10 AM
Thursday's	Pickleball	6 PM

Tues., August 1 - Thur., August 3	Youth Local Service Week	8 AM - 2 PM
Thursday, August 3	Connection Group Outing to Jefferson, NC	9 AM
Sunday, August 6	Singles Ministry CAST	6 PM
Mon., August 7 - Wed., August 9	Youth Lake Days	7:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Thursday, August 10	Kids Summer Field Trip	9:45 AM
Sunday, August 13	MTP Men's Group Breakfast Meeting	7 AM
Sunday, August 13	Lunch with the Pastor	12 PM
Tuesday, August 15	Kids Summer Field Trip	11 AM
Thursday, August 17	Youth Quarry Swim	2:30 - 8 PM
Saturday, August 19	Women Offering Worship	9:30 - 11 AM
Sunday, August 20	Youth Service at Smith Grove Church	9:45 AM
Sunday, August 20	Singles Ministry CAST	6 PM
Thursday, August 24	Coffee with Starbuck	10 AM
Sunday, August 27	Celebration Sunday	8:30 9:45 11 AM
Sunday, August 27	Youth End of Summer Bonfire	5 - 7:30 PM
Monday, August 28	MTP Women's Meeting	6:30 PM
Wednesday, August 30	Youth Breakfast & Devotion	7 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