

SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE:
 *Contemporary Worship services are available online on Youtube.com via our Facebook page. Traditional service available on CD (audio only).

9:00 AM Contemporary Service
10:00 AM Sunday School (all ages)
11:00 AM Traditional Service

August 2023

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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Amy Bohannon-Stewart
- 2 Tyler Kemp
- 3 Keely Crittenden, Janet Greene
- 4 Kathryn Bray, Thomas Hubbard, Jennifer Smith
- 5 Ronnie Callis
- 6 Luann Smith
- 7 Timmy Barrick
- 8 Annalise Morse, Cooper Wornom
- 9 Erin & Sean Rhodes, Aaron White
- 10 Peggy Carmine, Jennifer Ledford
- 11 Jenny Martin, Ashley Mise, Erin Barksdale
- 12 Ashley Bower, Curtis Peters
- 14 Logan Byrns
- 15 David Downs
- 16 Richard Downs, Les Hall, Judah Pollard, Robert Thompson
- 17 Bobby Diggs, Rayann Helbig
- 19 Jenny Goodrich
- 24 Chris McBuney
- 25 Cindy Bower, Amanda Kemp
- 29 Jax Denkinger, Mike Shields
- 30 Leonard Downs, Jr., Cheryl Adams, Stacy Turner

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 7 Clay & Claire Harrington
- 8 Rylan & Rachel S. Priebe

*If your name is not listed above and you had a birthday anniversary, please call the church office (725-3707). Thanks!

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6 Budget requests due for 2024		7 6 PM Exercise 6-8:30 PM Youth Salvation Workshop	8 1 PM WMU mtg.	9	10 6 PM Exercise 5-9 PM Q24 Youth event	11 9 AM-4 PM Q24 Youth event	12 10-12 Family Style VBS 9 AM-4 PM Q24 Youth event
13		14 6 PM Exercise 7 PM Prayer @1st Baptist of Harmony Village	15	16 6-8 PM WIPE OUT Family Event	17 6 PM Exercise	18	19
20		21 6 PM Exercise	22	23	24 6 PM Exercise	25 Youth End of Summer Event (leave church 5:40)	26 Special event for young mothers and moms-to-be (more details to come)
27		28 6 PM Exercise	29	30	31 6 PM Exercise		

Counting committee for August:
 —Mark & Linden Barrick

Counting committee for September:
 —Pam & Pat Harrington

9:00 Nurserv Schedule:
 6 - Stephanie & Joy Lowe
 13 - Katie Haywood/Amanda Kemp
 20 - Glenda Ramer/Nikki Spiers
 27 - Becky Ethington/Nancy Pait

“I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples.”

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“The Lighthouse” Org. 1776



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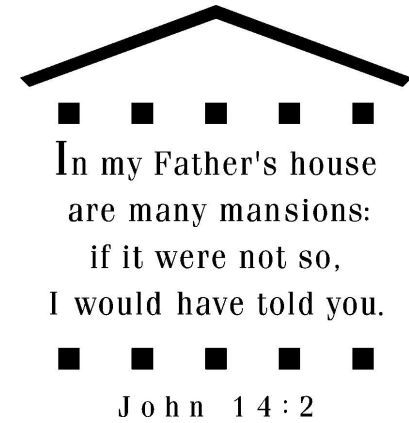
SPECIAL DATES

- ◆ 6th 2023 Budget Requests Due
- ◆ 7th Youth Salvation Workshop
- ◆ 10-12th Q24 Youth Event
- ◆ 12th Family Style VBS
- ◆ 16th Wipe Out!
- ◆ 25th Youth End of Summer Event
- ◆ 26th Special event for young mothers & moms-to-be

“There is no place like home!” At the beginning of the Wizard of Oz, Dorothy dreams of a perfect place “Over the Rainbow.” She sings that skies are blue, dreams come true, and “troubles melt like lemon drops.” But, once she arrives in the land of Oz, she realizes it is not as perfect as she thought it was and she longs to come home. She exclaims, “There is no place like home.” For most of us there is something special about going home. But some childhood homes no longer exist. Whether we are able, or not, to go home, it is not perfect. There is only one perfect home, heaven! Like Dorothy, we all dream of a perfect place here on earth, but there is no perfect place. Sin has tainted the whole world. As Christians we are told this world is not our home. Peter says we are “strangers and temporary residents” of earth. (1 Peter 2:11 HCSB). Jesus said he

is preparing an eternal home for us in heaven, a mansion (John 14:2-3), where we will forever be “at home with the Lord” (1 Corinthians 5:8 CSB). Do you long for the Lord’s perfect home? All it takes is belief in Jesus (John 3:16). There is no place like our heavenly home!

Faithfully yours,
 Pastor Brian



In my Father's house
 are many mansions:
 if it were not so,
 I would have told you.

John 14:2

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 Return Services Requested

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EACH OF YOU should use whatever **GIFT** you have received to serve others, AS FAITHFUL stewards of God's grace IN ITS various forms.

1 Peter 4:10, NTIV

Mathews Baptist Church presents:
FAMILY VBS DAY!

Join us for this one day event designed for the whole family! Families will stay together as a unit as they rotate through each station together. Please call the church office for more information.
 804-725-3707

- BIBLE LESSON
- CRAFTS
- GAMES
- FAMILY FEUD

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12TH
 10AM - NOON
 registration and check-in will be from 9:45-10
 LUNCH IS PROVIDED!

Q²⁴ PRESENTS
FEARLESS
 Learning to Victoriously Face Life's Giants (1 Samuel 17)
 Rising 6th-12th Grade

Praise & Worship
 Mission Projects
 Bible Study
 Games

THUR, AUG. 10TH, 5-9 PM
 FRI. & SAT, AUG 11TH-12TH 9AM-4 PM

Q24 is excited to announce a youth event for rising 6th through rising 12th graders. This is going to be an amazing 3 days! The kick-off party starts on Thurs., Aug. 10th at 5:00 PM with games, an inflatable obstacle course, music & food, followed by a time of worship & bible study. All 3 days, students will be learning how to victoriously face life's giants through the story of David & Goliath in 1 Samuel 17. Fri. & Sat. (Aug. 11th-12th) starts at 9 AM. There will be some team competitions each day, praise & worship, a message, small group bible study & an opportunity to be the hands & feet of Jesus out in the community. This free event will be held at *The Center for the Arts* at 61 Cobbs Creek Lane, Cobbs Creek. All meals are provided. Even if you don't have kids, I bet you know some students who would love to come to this event. Help us spread the word!

WIPE OUT

August 16, 2023
 6:00-8:00 PM
 Mathews Baptist Church

Admission is FREE!
 PLEASE CONSIDER DONATIONS OF PAPER PRODUCTS USED TO "WIPE" LIKE TOILET PAPER, PAPER TOWELS, TISSUES, NAPKINS, BABY WIPES, ETC.

MISSION News

What we aim to do:

WMU's unwavering focus is **making disciples of Jesus who live on mission.**

We want to thank all of you for supporting our drive to support Hands Across Mathews with non-perishable foods, personal care items, baby care items and even pet supplies. We are continuing to collect items for this very worthy cause.

We are also very thankful for all of you who attended **Christmas in July** on Sun., July 30th. It was a great turnout. Thank you for the great amount of school supplies donated. It's not too late to bring

your donations to church; we will continue to collect school supplies for the next 3 weeks. The Christmas tree with missionary stars containing the names of missionaries to pray for will continue to be available for a few more weeks. Please take a star and add the missionary names to your prayer list. There are short information pages for each missionary on the table next to the tree for you to take with you.

At our monthly meeting on July 11th, we welcomed more ladies interested in learning more about WMU and possibly joining in with us. We

always welcome anyone interested in learning more about WMU. We meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 1 pm in the Welcome Center outside the secretary's office. Our next meeting will be held on August 8th. Come help us plan for the future. We welcome your input and prayers!

Our next project will be to collect items for the Crisis Pregnancy Center. We especially would like homemade baby blankets, knitted, crocheted, or quilted.

We continue to visit the Nursing Home on Tuesdays from 10:30 to 11:30 am to sing for the residents. We are always looking for people to join us. You don't have to be a great singer, just have enthusiasm and a desire to give of yourself and your time to lift the spirits of some people living with challenging health issues.

WMU Directors

Donna Frantz & Judy Lowe



One of our deliveries to Hands Across Mathews.

Please pray for...

†Our upcoming VBS †The Q24 youth event

†Our nominating committee

Praise God for...

†Taking care of Mike Myers in his accident!

Long term care...

Ed Haufler (Mathews); Mildred Lockwood (Harmony on the Peninsula)

Homebound...

†Julie Harvell, Mildred Hudgins, Archie/Marilyn Owens, Jim/Gloria Travenski

Those who need our continued prayer...

†Derek Zwiers †Mathews High School
 †Pauline Barrick †Leonard Downs, Jr.
 †Homer Smith †Daniel West
 †Don & Christy Talbott †Raymond Harris

†Sherry Inabinet †Billy Bodurtha

†Karen Wiant †William Scott Smith

†Liam (Renee Neiman's 6 yr. old cousin)

†Paige (Ramer's daughter-in-law)

Missionaries...

†Susan & Mike Mangerchine (Navigators)

Church Attendance-July 2023

Date	9:00	10:00	11:00
07/02/23	97	100	30
07/09/23	151	99	10
07/16/23	122	103	20
07/23/23	132	114	
07/30/23	118	110	

THIS YEAR'S BUDGET

It's time to plan for our 2024 budget! If your group or committee anticipates expenses in 2024, please pick up a budget request form (in the inbox on the office door) from the church office, complete it and return to the office by 8/6/23.



Coming in September...

- New Church Year begins...
- 4th-Labor Day
- 9th-Youth Salvation Party
- 11th-MTBA Prayer Gathering
- 12th-Blood Drive
- 22nd-Youth event
- 23rd-Fall begins