

### A Testimony...

My mother-in-law has had a lot of health problems this year. She's been in the hospital twice since January. When we visited her in April, she told me how close she had been to dying and how she was so tired of suffering. We have been really concerned about her, and I realized that even though she was a member of the Southern Baptist Church right next to her house, I wasn't sure if she had been saved.

So I prayed about it and reviewed the Bible verses about salvation and when we visited them again in May, I prayed for a time to talk to her and the courage to make sure of her salvation. I also wanted to tell her how much she meant to me and how much I appreciated her as a mother-in-law. I wanted her to know we would see her again in heaven.

When we visited again, the opportunity came for me to talk to her about her salvation. She was able to affirm that she indeed was saved and knew that she had eternal life. I also told her how much she meant to me and we both ended up in tears. I'm glad I talked to her because it gave me the peace of mind that we will meet again no matter what happens.

Vandy

### You're Invited!

You are welcome to come and worship with us! We offer services Sunday mornings with Sunday School classes for all ages, and Sunday evening and Wednesday night Bible studies.



Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Sunday  
Worship Services: 11:00 a.m. Sunday  
Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. Sunday  
Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. Wednesday

On Wednesday nights, our Nursery is available for infants and children up to three years old, and we have a Mission Friends class for children three years old through Kindergarten. We also have RA's for boys 1st through 6th grades, and GA's for girls 1st through 6th grades. Youth classes are split into Junior High and Senior High classes, with adult Bible Study in our sanctuary. We would love to have you join us in worship, study and fellowship! Please call our church office with questions: 445-3622. You may also contact our Sunday School Director, Sherry Colwell at 474-1323.

### Need a Ride?

Our church van comes through the neighborhood, each Sunday morning. Our driver will pick you up in time for Sunday School and bring you home after services. If you are off our route, give the church a call at 445-3622 so that arrangements can be made to provide a ride for you. We'd love to have you join us!

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### A Message from Pastor David Schawo: May 2010

"WHERE'S THE BEEF!!" Is there anyone old enough to remember this old commercial? Well, if I were to title this article, I would call it "**WHERE'S THE SCRIPTURE?**"

Recently one of our young adult families was visiting another church for a special service involving another family member. At some point in the service the husband turned to his wife and asked this question "where's the scripture?" While the service was "good", the music "great", the seating even "greater" and the physical facilities were wonderful, when it came to the "heart" of the service the only element missing appeared to be the Scripture – the Word of God.

While, many churches feature elegant and talented speakers, masterful use of all modern technology that are very informative and even meaningful, the problem is that God's Word is often missing in action. And to me this is the true heart and purpose of the Church. In Psalm 119:11, the Psalmist tells us that he has treasured the word of God in His heart "**so that he may not sin against God!**" And again, in verse 105 he says that **God's Word** (not his or some other learned person) is both "**a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**"

These two verses give us three keys to victorious and joyful living.

- **Victory over sin:** God tells us in His Word the things we must do in order to keep sin out of our lives. The presence of sin in our lives is the greatest source of discouragement and depression that we face today. It keeps us focused on the wrong things, keeps us setting the wrong priorities, and doing the wrong actions. Without His Word, we are left to our own wisdom, logic and help.
- **Enlightenment of where we are:** He tells us that God's Word causes us to see ourselves as we are, where we are, and how to be all that God wants us to have and to be. It allows us to see our sins and HIS forgiveness; our weaknesses and His strengths!
- **See where we are going:** His Word not only helps us where we are, but where we are going and how to get there. His Word tells us where the path we are traveling is going to end.

Just imagine how great our lives would be if we would get His Word back in our hearts and lived in our lives. Please come and join us each week as we together focus on the **WORD OF GOD!!!**

Joyfully in His Service,  
**Brother Dave**

### Pastor David Schawo

Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Worship Service	10:55 a.m.
Sunday Evening	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening	7:00 p.m.

### Church Calendar

#### May

5/24	Food Bank	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
5/25	Men & Womens Dinner & Study	6:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m.
5/26	Church Dinner & Bible Study	6:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m.
5/30	No evening services	
5/31	Memorial Day Observed	Office Closed

#### June

6/3	Food Bank	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
6/10	Food Bank	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
6/11-12	Senior Class Retreat	
6/17	Food Bank	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
6/20	Father's Day Service	
6/21-26	World Changers Mission Trip	Memphis, AR
6/22	Men & Womens Dinner & Study	6:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m.
6/24	Food Bank	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
6/28-7/2	Camp Cedar Crest Youth Camp	

#### July

7/1	Food Bank	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
7/4	Celebration with Dessert & Fireworks	8:00 p.m. ; Dark
7/5-10	Camp Cedar Crest Girl's Camp	
7/8	Food Bank	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
7/12-17	Camp Cedar Crest Boy's Camp	
7/15	Food Bank	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
7/19-23	Vacation Bible School	8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
7/22	VBS Evening Program	
7/27	Men & Womens Dinner & Study	6:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m.
7/29	Food Bank	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

#### September

9/18	Annual Fish & Chicken Fry	4:00 - 7:30 p.m.
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*For the Son of Man has come  
to save that which is lost.  
Matthew 18:11*

## Does Faith Matter?

If I asked anyone this question, I would receive almost a unanimous yes. Everyone believes that faith is important. Even people who do not recognize Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior will say that having some sort of faith is good.

But what does faith look like? How can you tell the difference between authentic faith and just talk? That is the real challenge. You see, faith is not just something you talk about. It's something you do. It is hard to argue that you have faith in God, but then continue to live your life in a way that says you are in control. Faith is about understanding God is in control and living life in a way that shows that you trust in Him.

This idea of faith is completely contrary to how the world tells you to live. The world tells you to work as hard as you can to make money. The world says that you cannot be secure without wealth. The world says that you are number one and you should always look out for number one. The world tells you that you are all alone.

BUT FAITH, faith says that God will provide. Faith says that you can find peace in the arms of the Savior, Jesus Christ. Faith says that if you put the kingdom of God first, then the rest will come to you anyway. Faith says that you are never alone.

Midway Heights Baptist Church has a youth group that seeks to step out on faith. Instead of looking for number one, we serve in our community. Instead of taking our summers to work and make money for all the things the world tells us we need, we take a week and go serve the people of West Memphis through our World Changers program.

Let me ask you this question: What do you think matters? Is faith; that which leads us to salvation through Christ, calls us to serve others, and gives us hope? Or is it the world? **Your call.**



Josh, The Youth Dude

## Vacation "Bible" School

If you did not get the message from the title of my article, let me explain. Bible School at MHBC is going to be more basic than ever. No "themes", no "motifs", no gimmicks, no wasted money on things that have nothing to do with God or spiritual growth. If you thought our Bible School program was pretty basic/primitive before, you haven't seen nothing yet! Oh, we will still include all of the fun things that we have always done — great classroom lessons with classroom teachers, music, crafts, recreation and of course, refreshments, but everything we use will reflect the message we are teaching, not tied in to cowboys or outer space or the Amazon Jungle, etc. Not that these themes aren't fun, colorful approaches to liven things up, but we are counting on our basic VBS program being lively enough to carry us through--after all, the Bible has been the best selling book for a number of years.

So please send your kids and count on them having a great experience. Our dates are July 19-23rd. Our times are 8:30-11:30 AM. Our age groups are 4 year olds to students who just completed 8th grade. We will have our school bus to pick up and deliver those who need a ride and to serve as our traveling middle school/junior high classroom. Our program night will be on Thursday evening of that week and we end with a picnic on Friday. If you need a registration form (one for each child), call Penny at 445-3622 or leave a message and we will mail the form to you. If you have further questions, call me at 445-7918. Otherwise, see you in July!

Nancy

*For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse.*

Romans 1:20

## Girls in Action (GA's)

Every Wednesday Night girls 1st through 6th Grade get together and learn about missionaries. How, missionaries tell others about Jesus Christ just by doing their jobs.

Usually when we think about missionaries, we think of going to a foreign country. GA's learn when we are willing; God is able to use us here in our own town, our own neighborhood, our own school, and our own church, to Glorify Him and His Son Christ Jesus.

We may make a craft, play a game, or try some food from a different culture. Just as the missionaries do when they are sharing about Jesus.

GA's invite anyone interested in learning about how to share Jesus with others to come join us at 7 pm Wednesday Nights.

The Lord has shown you what is good. He has told you what he requires of you. You must treat people fairly. You must love others faithfully. And you must be very careful to live the way your God wants you to (Micah 6:8 NIV).

Love as Christ Loves Us

Penny and GAs

## Children's Bible Drill

I'm happy to report that the Children's Bible Drill session for 2009-2010 ended with great success. Our Sara McDonald and Victoria Terry aced the drills in Jefferson City this year. It was so much fun to see both of them step out well before time was called on every single drill and when called upon, they made no errors. AND, 21 people from our Church including our girls, caravanned to Jefferson City, and enthusiastically cheered them on (in our hearts, of course!).

After the drills, we all went to Central Dairy for ice cream, ANOTHER highlight of the day!

Brenda, Brian, Julie, Lori and I sincerely thank the coaches for this year's team: for Logan (her grandpa, Dwain Hovis), for Maddie (her mom, Heather), for Sara (her mom and dad, Brian and Theresa), and for Victoria (her mom and her Aunt Rosie). God has etched His Word into the hearts of these girls, and It will remain throughout the rest of their lives. What a wonderful blessing you have given your children.

We wish also to thank our Church for the support given to CBD, especially Brother Dave and Nancy, Penny, Sunday School teachers Vandy and Sam, Jeff and Diane Kidwell, Josh and his youth group ... you came to watch our demo's during the Sunday night services, helped us during the qualifying drills, and encouraged our girls.

The competition is fun, but the most important part of the Children's Bible Drill program is that of teaching children to use and rely upon God's Word in their daily living. It is such a blessing to be a part of this ministry, and we are excited about the coming year to begin in September, 2010.

Dianne Filbert

## Join Us!

**Royal Ambassadors** exists to involve boys and their leaders in the spiritual process of developing an "on-mission" lifestyle. Royal Ambassadors utilize activities that are designed to help children learn about missions and get them personally involved in practical missions experiences.

### The Purpose of Royal Ambassadors

The purpose of Royal Ambassadors is to involve boys in missions. Involvement in missions is living one's faith daily: personal experience in witness and ministry, and giving and praying to support persons involved in missions. The Royal Ambassador program helps boys to become aware of the needs of people around the world also in our own communities and responding to those needs. The organization seeks to lead boys to a personal commitment to Christ and assist them in their Christian growth experience. Through Royal Ambassadors, boys are led to an awareness of their responsibility to Christ and encouraged to become His ambassador. This purpose is outlined in the Royal Ambassador Pledge.

### As a Royal Ambassadors I pledge to do my best:

- To become a well-informed, responsible follower of Christ
- To have a Christ-like concern for all people
- To learn how to carry the message of Christ around the world
- To work with others in sharing Christ
- To keep myself clean and healthy in mind and body

Do you have a son or nephew that could be a Royal Ambassador? Let MHBC be a part of his life, his growth in the knowledge of Christ and ability to be a responsible member of the community.

Mark and Lee

## Fish and Chicken Fry: Fun for the Entire Family



Gather the family and plan to join us Saturday, September 18, for the Ninth Annual Fish and Chicken Fry and all the fun at Midway Heights Baptist Church. The all-you-care-to-eat menu of fish, chicken, slaw, green beans, applesauce, and pie costs just \$9 for adults and \$5 for children.

**Plan to do more than eat** — the children will want to participate in several of the **free** activities such as the petting zoo, bounce house, finger painting station, and more. All the adults will want to bid on a variety of products and services in both the Silent and Live auctions.

### Schedule for Saturday, September 18

- All-You-Care-To-Eat 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- **FREE** Children's Activities 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Silent Auction Bidding 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Live Auction 7 p.m. to ?

All proceeds go towards our building fund as we work to build a debt-free building!

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