

Welcome to Marysville Berean Church

April 30, 2023

“How to Pick the Right Shepherd”

John 10:1-21

Sunday school classes are offered for all ages.

Adult class:

Study of “The Pilgrim’s Progress” led by Pastor Joel.

Today’s Events

5:00 p.m. – Jail Ministry

6:00 p.m. – AWANA – Awards Ceremony – Store – Carnival Night

6:30 p.m. – Youth Group at the church

Announcements

Information about how you can help Bryar O’Neil with his KALEO ministry is on the back table.

Next Sunday Night we will start a weekly prayer time at 7:30.

Everyone in the church is encouraged to come.

This Week’s Events

Wednesday – 7 p.m. – study in 1 & 2 Thessalonians at the church led by Doug Argo.

SUNDAY SERVANTS:

Nursery workers today: *Dave and Becky*

May 7: Dexter and Kate Spitsnogle

Children’s church workers today:

Teacher: *Becky*

Helpers: *Brandi and Jonas*

Children’s church workers for May 7:

Teacher: *Brenda*

Helpers: *The Wassoms*

Cleaning for May 7: *Jodi*

Refreshments for May 7: *Jolene, Diana, Delma, Talysha*



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VBS is just 6 weeks away – June 5-9! Anyone can help!

Anyone interested in praying for a VBS team member, or donating items, please visit the Board VBS Listings at the area of the kitchen window in the back of the sanctuary. Pull a memo and take it with you.

Clarification: Main teachers are teaching the “Teach It” section only. Please skip the “Introduction” section, as that will go to the Assembly times. Activity teachers are teaching the “Talk About It” and “Apply It” with review sections to the end of the lesson.

Please join us in prayer for this week of outreach. The sanctity of life and the fact that we are created in His image, male and female, are the themes. These biblical ideas are under great attack in our culture today.

Our Persecuted Brothers and Sisters

India - Six Christian families in a village in Chhattisgarh State, India, have experienced community pressure from the time of their conversion. They were socially excluded, and the adults lost their jobs. On August 18, 2022, Hindu radicals disrupted their church service and took the Bibles of all the believers. One Christian suggested that the intruders read the Bibles they confiscated, which angered them. The next day, the group returned with representatives from the media. One believer responded to media questions by sharing his testimony of faith, which further incensed the Hindu mob, which then went from house to house, damaging the homes of the Christians. These brothers and sisters have asked for prayer that they would remain faithful to the Lord, that God would work in a way that reveals the truth, and that their village would turn to Christ.

Sermon Notes

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Prayer requests

Pray that our church would use our resources and opportunities to make disciples.

Updates

John Hula – hoping to be released from the rehab facility on Tuesday - pray for a complete recovery.

Pastor Joel – Praise – is making progress in his recovery.

Ongoing Health Concerns

Phyllis O'Toole – recovering from bronchitis.

Helen Richards – Carolyn's sister – is now in a rehab facility.

Beth Salman – pray doctors can determine what can be done to help increase mobility and deal with the pain of degenerative disc disease. **Gary Gordon** – may possibly need neck surgery, and is seeking a second opinion.

Sharon Kabriel – is waiting on heart test results.

Keith – Carolyn's son's boss – has stage 4 bone cancer – is now hospitalized.

Lee Papes – is now undergoing chemo treatments every two weeks.

Our Church

Shut-ins: Mary Stillwell

Pray for those in the military:

Nick Boeschling: stationed at Ft. Stewart, GA.

Taylor Fahey: Tim and Lana Stevenson's son – stationed at Canon Air force Base in Clovis, NM.

Elder: Don Fincham; **Deacon:** Fred Edwards; **Family:** Bill Lundberg

Our World

*Pray for our country's leadership.

*Pray for Christians to have discernment and wisdom in how we live in this fallen world.

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Vietnam - Three brothers in Christ and their families in southeast Asia have faced severe persecution from government authorities. The men are now serving prison terms for their faithfulness to Christ. Pray for their faith to remain strong, for them to have great courage in the face of their sufferings, and for their families to be protected and cared for by the body of Christ while the men are imprisoned.

Central African Republic - Christians have suffered greatly from civil war in the Central African Republic (CAR) since 2012. They are targeted and attacked by Muslim rebels who accuse them of assisting militias that have carried out revenge killings against Muslims. They have been driven from their towns and villages as attackers loot and destroy their homes and churches, forcing tens of thousands into emergency camps for Internally Displaced Peoples. A Christian man who cares for 58 orphans told front-line workers how insurgents targeted him with accusations, threats and assaults because of his ministry. Once, an attacker put a machine gun into the Christian man's face and pulled the trigger; nothing happened. The attacker then shot the weapon in the air and tried a second time to shoot the Christian man in the head; again, the gun failed. The attacker then beat the orphanage director, breaking his front teeth.

Iran - In February 2023, the Iranian government released thousands of long-held prisoners during a general pardon. Those released included several Christians imprisoned for practicing their faith. Upon their release, the government confiscated the work permits of the freed Christians, so they cannot hold jobs to provide for their families. Additionally, they are constantly under government surveillance. "They have to be very careful about interacting with other believers," said one front-line worker. "Please pray that the Lord will meet the needs of these recently released Christians."

Nepal - Jagat Wagle was transformed from a violent career criminal to a passionate evangelist when he encountered Jesus in the Bible given to him by a stranger in 1996. Since then, he completed Bible school, became a pastor and now shepherds more than 300 believers. Hindu radical groups that dominate the area where Jagat ministers have repeatedly threatened harm or death, even bombing one church and posting pamphlets identifying Jagat as "most wanted." One morning, police alerted him that his life was in imminent danger, and he took refuge in the mountains. The anguish of that time has had a lasting effect on Jagat's wife, causing tremendous suffering. Jagat remains passionate for his ministry, but his wife's condition is a heavy burden, and he asks for prayer.