

The Macland Messenger



August 28, 2016

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WEDNESDAY EVENING

AUG 31 SONG LEADER.....MICHAEL ROLEN
 OPENING PRAYER.....JAMESON HOPE
 INVITATION.....CALEB COLEY
 CLOSING PRAYER.....AMOS AMOSUN

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

AUG 28 A.M.....CINDY PIGG – MORGAN DUDLEY
 P.M.....BETH HARWELL – SARAH GRACE HARWELL
 SEPT. 7 A.MREGINA PICKELSIMER – AMANDA DEHLMAN
 P.M.....KELLY WALDROP – SUMMER CONLEY

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WHERE DID EVIL COME FROM?

Prior to God's creation of other things, nothing existed except for the eternal God. Only God "inhabits eternity" (Psalms 41:13; 90:2; Isaiah 57:15). And God, Who defines goodness by His very nature, would never bring evil into being. After He created the universe, His evaluation of it was that it was "very good" (Genesis 1:31).

This situation raises an obvious question: If, at some time, God alone existed, where did evil come from? If we cannot identify a source for evil in the world, then by default it would be attributed to God.



Fortunately, the Bible *does* identify the source of evil: It arose in the heart of created beings (angels and humans) precisely when they used something good that God created—their freedom—to oppose God. Freedom itself is a gift from God to humanity, and yet freedom logically carries with it the real possibility of wrongdoing. (One is not truly free to serve God if it is impossible for him not to serve God.) Consider an important passage on this subject:

Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death (James 1:13-15). (over)

This passage teaches that God is not responsible for evil. The word for God's perfect goodness is "holiness." The adjective "holy" refers to being separate from evil, and worthy of honor. The holiness of God is taught in a wide array of biblical passages, including these:

- Exodus 15:11. "Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like you, majestic in *holiness*, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders? (emp. added).
- Romans 1:4. [Jesus] was declared to be the Son of God in power according to *the Spirit of holiness* by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord (emp. added).
- Ephesians 4:24. [P]ut on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and *holiness* (emp. added).
- 1 Peter 1:15. [A]s *he who called you is holy*, you also be holy in all your conduct (emp. added).

The responsibility for evil is borne by those who fail to exercise their freedom properly. Amazingly, our holy God offers us forgiveness through Christ when we misuse our freedom. **Caleb**

Those to Remember in Our Prayers

PRAYER REQUEST

Prayers are requested for the family of Rejer Finklin. She is the cousin of Dominique Villani, daughter-in-law of Ed & Juanita Villani. Rejer died from a brain embolism that ruptured last week. Funeral will be Saturday in Atlanta.

Beth Sa'idd is having strong adverse reaction to the Chemo she is taking. Medication will be changed as soon as the reactions are under control.

TRAVELERS:

The Hope Family and Beverly Barnett are in Buford this weekend.

Lemuel and Marcia Riley are in N. Carolina celebrating a 5th birthday of one of their granddaughters.

MEMBERS: Larry Grimes, Sr.; Beth Sa'idd; Kak Grayson; Red Holt, Ed Villani.

LOVED ONES: Lindsay Maxwell, Bob and Martha Maxwell's granddaughter; Pascha Burge, Consuela Trammell's sister; Bristol Haynes 3 year old relative of Catie Shultz; Larry Grimes II, Larry and Elizabeth Grimes son; Paul Maner's sister, Brenda Maner; Nikki Fennel, Scott Drumm's sister; Michael Werchowski, Dot Evans great-grandson; and family and friends in the military.

RESPONSES:

SUMMER SERIES

This Wednesday, August 31, the Summer Series' topic is "Promises For Specific People" (Hebrews 13:5-6) and Caleb Colley will be the speaker.

THANK YOU

Thanks to everyone for the cards, calls and prayers during our time of loss. Your friendships are greatly appreciated.

John & Sandy Foran

Gene and Corene Curtis daughter and son-in-law



Tonight will be the regular singing night.

Join us at 5 p. m. for our service in song.

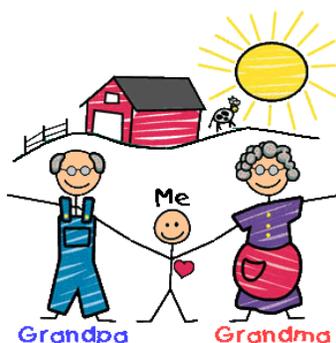


A monthly ladies' Bible Study group will begin meeting in September. The group will come together the last Thursday of every month at 7 p.m., but all participants will have more opportunity for organized personal study, personal service projects, connection with ladies all around the world, and deeper connections within the Macland Family. The goal is ultimately to strive together for a deeper understanding and application of the Word of God. Women of all ages are encouraged to get involved, as this will encourage unity for the entire church. Any young women, high school or younger, who get involved can have the option of leadership opportunity.

Please see Rebekah Colley for more details, and you will be given a packet detailing the personal monthly study. An estimate of how many ladies plan to be involved would be appreciated soon. Ladies are encouraged to engage in September's personal study by September 29th, when the group will first meet.

HELPING

All of you have heard about the devastation in Louisiana. Our elders sent \$2,000.00 to the Church in Baton Rouge to give aid as needed.



L.A.M.B.S., we're inviting a special group of people for a dinner on Friday, September 9 at 6:00! These people love you and spoil you from time to time. Can you guess? Yes, it's our grandparents!!!! If you are a grandparent, you are invited to be our special guest! We'll have a delicious dinner for you and a sweet keepsake! L.A.M.B.S., please be at the church building at 5:00 for decorating, crafting, and preparing for our special guests! Our memory verse is Proverbs 17:6.



SEPTEMBER
AREA WIDE YOUTH
DEVO AT MACLAND
ROAD

The Youth Devo for September will be held here on Sunday, September 11. The menu will be hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, baked beans and desserts and drinks. The monetary donations are asked to pay for the main course. Additional donations of Cokes, Sprite (2 24 packs of each, please), brownies, cookies, and Rice Krispie Treats are requested. These items may be brought Sunday morning, Sept. 11. Please give your monetary donations to Scott or Carla Drumm.

OPERATION CHRISTMAN JOY

Fall will be here soon. Among other things that means that it will soon be time to send our donations for Operation Christmas Joy. Have you been gathering things through the summer? If not, remember that school supplies are on sale and those types of items are needed. Also, all you seamstresses, have you been sewing during the summer? There is only about a month left before we pack and send these items out.



GATLINBURG/PIGEON FORGE RETREAT FEBRUARY, 2017

Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights February 17, 18, 19, 2017 (leaving on Monday, Feb. 20) the Walden Lodge and Cabins have once again been reserved for the retreat to Gatlinburg/Pigeon Forge Tennessee. There are 26 rooms available with queen beds (and several sofa hide-a-beds for the children). At this time, we do not know the cost. We must have a head count to determine the amount. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board. If you are planning to go, please signup so that we may figure the cost. As soon as we have a total count you will be told what the expenses will be for room and food. At that time, you can make the final decision as to whether you will go or not. You may still pay in 2 installments if you wish. The first money will be due from September 25 – October 9, 2016. The second payment will be due on Sunday, Dec. 11, 2016. Food cost will be due January 15, 2017.

We would like to try something new this year. Would you like to plan an evening meal? Perhaps you and a small committee could plan, purchase the food (you will be reimbursed or given money ahead), fix ahead as much as you can and transport to Gatlinburg. Some items you may prefer to purchase in Pigeon Forge. Breakfast and lunch will remain the same. This is a fun time for the whole family so please come join us for a great weekend of games, nature, shopping, and fellowship. If you have any questions please see Joyce or Elaine..

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ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENTS & REMINDERS

AREA OF SERVICE.....DATE.....NAMES
VIDEO.....AUG. 28.....PAUL ATTAWAY
.....SEPT. 4.....ED VILLANI
SOUND BOOTH.....AUG. 28.....STEPHEN LIPSCOMB
.....SEPT. 4.....TONY KEYTON
ANNOUNCEMENTS.....SEPT. 4.....JODY HARWELL
SONG LEADER.....SEPT. 4.....RUSSELL PIGG
WED. INVITATION.....AUG. 31.....CALEB COLLEY

AREA OF SERVICE FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

COMMUNION.....BARBARA KELLEY
BAPTISMAL GARMENTS.....HAZEL ROBERTS
BUILDING SECURITYTBA
GREETERS.....KEN & EDITH DAHLSTROM;
JAMESON, JADYN, & KENYON HOPE
VAN DRIVER.....CLAY SHULTZ

STATISTICS FOR AUG.21, 2016

BIBLE STUDY.....137
A.M. WORSHIP.....208
P.M.WORSHIP.....112
WEDNESDAY Aug. 24, 2016.....100
CONTRIBUTION.....\$6,316.26

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

CONTACT GROUP

Contact Group 2 (Coordinator, Daniel Sequens) will meet for a few minutes in the **Media Room** immediately following the afternoon service. Please come and be a part of this important outreach. **ATTENTION:** Please bring any completed contact cards you have to the meeting.

**PANTRY LIST CHECK THE DATES
OUTDATED ITEMS CANNOT BE USED
NO SUGAR FREE, LITE OR DECAF ITEMS**
The pantry is out or very low on these items

1. Tuna 5 oz. cans please
2. Salmon
3. Beef Ravioli, Lasagne, Spaghetti O's 15 oz. cans, please
4. Vegetable Soup 10 Oz. cans please
5. Tomato Soup 10 oz. cans please
6. Canned Pinto Beans 15 oz. cans please
7. Canned Fruit Cocktail No sugar free & 15 oz. cans please
8. Mayo (out)
9. Mac & Cheese 25 oz. boxes, please
10. Instant Mashed Potatoes, Prefer in boxes
11. Instant Rice Boil-In-Bag
12. Sugar
13. Cooking Oil
14. Canned Peaches 15 oz. cans please

Schedule of Service & Activities

Sunday

9:30 a.m. – Bible Classes for all ages
10:30 a.m. – Worship Service
5:00 p.m. – Kidsing
5:10 p.m. – Evening Worship Service

Tuesday

10:00 a.m. – Ladies Workshop

Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Morning Bible Class (Will resume in Sept.)

7:00 p.m. – Evening Bible Study for all ages

Attended Nursery for children up to 24 mos. old at all services

