

**ATTENTION**

**Let's save at least six parking spaces in front of the gym to those who have difficulty walking long distances and might need the available ramp. They may not always be designated but needed.**

**SMALL GROUPS**

Roy & Susan Kellum  
(601) 362-3004  
Cedars - 6pm  
4145 Old Canton Rd. 39216

**Belhaven Neighborhood**  
Ryan Howard  
(318) 550-7274 Tuesdays 7p

**Brandon 1** - Jeff & Kathy Fletcher  
(601) 992-0210 Sundays 6p

**Brandon 2** - Caleb & Paige Stevens  
(601) 214-1744  
Young Professionals Tuesdays 5:30p

**Jackson 2**  
Stephen Masley, Honey May  
(601) 454-9987 / (662) 801-3462  
Sundays Noon

**Madison 2** Kate Totty, Amy Nisbett  
(601) 506-7556 / (601) 750-2190  
Sundays 5-7p

**MYG** - Ryan Howard (318) 550-7274  
Alternate Sundays 5:30p

**MEADOWBROOK LEADERSHIP**

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**OFFICE HOURS**

Please call a person on staff  
for assistance

**JULY 14, 2024 STATISTICS**

Attendance 99  
Contribution: \$ 7,554.00

MEADOWBROOK CHURCH OF CHRIST



*Welcome! Please join Meadowbrook in-person this Sunday at 10:30am.  
We will also livestream the service on Facebook.*

**July 21, 2024**

Here I am to Worship..... Brad Blake

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Welcome.....Larry Stowe

There is a Fountain

Ten Thousand Angels

Prayer

Breath of Heaven

Communion.....Craig Wood

Surely The Presence of the Lord

John 12:35-36.....Janie Totty

No Not One

Post Tenebras, Lux --The Light of the World.....Ryan Howard

He Paid a Debt

Benediction.....Tony Edwards

Shine, Jesus, Shine



*If you are visiting with us this morning or if anyone is in need of prayers, please fill out a **Visitor/Prayer** card available on the table in the gymnasium.  
Cards may be placed in the designated basket.*



## WINDOWS

*A peek inside the Meadowbrook Church of Christ*

### **Praying for -**

Eleanor, *Brian Cunningham's grandmother*  
 Kristen Cox, *friend of Randy & Teresa Monaghan*  
 Michelle Click, *Dawn Eifling and Dwayne Blaylock's cousin*  
 Thomas Mangum, *Bonita Ellwein's father, hospice care*  
 Dennis Schulte, *Cindy Skipworth's cousin, car accident in VA*  
 Latasha Crump Coleman, *Lula Bell Luckett's godchild*  
 Lee Ann Foster, *Linda Easterling's sister is now at home*

#### **Meadowbrook Children's Ministry meeting on July 28**

For all parents, teachers, and anyone wanting to volunteer in our children's ministry in any way.

The plan is for everyone to go grab a drive thru lunch immediately following worship and bring it back here to the side classrooms to eat together. We will try to begin the meeting by 12:30 or earlier if possible. If everyone is speedy, I'm estimating we should be able to finish up by 1:30 or so. Handouts will be provided in case you miss the start. Childcare will be provided.

There is lots to talk about! So many possibilities for the future of Meadowbrook!!!

Please contact Jennifer if you plan to attend and haven't told her already.

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Paul's answer is, "He did this to demonstrate his justice." Being infinite and perfect, God must be just, but that means he must hold everyone accountable and punish every sin. But he is also infinite and perfect in forgiveness, and his forgiveness extends to "all who believe." And the fact is that, even though we are guilty ("all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God"), we "are justified freely by his grace."

Here's the thing: Our faith is so powerful with God that it puts us in the scope of his grace, which is where the forgiveness is. Think about that: total trust in God and his Son Jesus (what "faith" means) is so effective with God that it wipes away our sin through the blood of Jesus. God's grace responds to our faith to accomplish what we could never do by "being obedient enough," or being good enough, or by obeying enough.

To bring home this truth, Paul quotes Psalm 32:1, 2: "Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit" (Romans 4:7, 8).



## MINISTRIES

*To be the hands and feet of Jesus*

### **Signposts for Heaven** by David Jackson

#### **Our Greatest Need** (Romans 3:21-26)

Do you know the story of Narcissus, the boy who was so taken with his reflection in a pool that he spent all his time staring at it instead of living life? He starved to death because of his absorption with his image. We may think how foolish that would be, but in our private moments most of us have a fairly high opinion of ourselves. When we compare ourselves with others, we're as good as most and better than many. We're good citizens, good neighbors, and we take care of our responsibilities. When you come right down to it, we're good folks, good enough anyway.

And then there is the judgment of God. According to his standards, "There is no one righteous, not even one." We can't do enough for God that he can overlook our sins and shortcomings. We can't obey him well enough or often enough to make up for all the times we put our own wants ahead of his. As the statement leading into this passage says, "No one will be declared righteous in his sight by observing the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of sin" (v. 20).

So, what are we to do? Our own estimate is false, and we can't reverse the verdict by our own effort. We can't do enough or obey enough laws to be declared "righteous." Yet that is what we must be to be acceptable to God. The situation sounds hopeless.

That is, until the next sentence. "But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and Prophets testify." It turns out that God himself solves our problem for us. By sending Jesus into the world, God makes righteous everyone who comes to him by faith. The means by which this is accomplished is what the Bible calls God's "grace," and the announcement of that message is called "gospel."

Just when we become most aware of our true condition, instead of believing our reflection in our own estimation, God himself declares that everyone who believes in his Son Jesus is made righteous in his sight. That reality is even harder to accept than it is to believe that we are so good we don't need any help in being better than we are. Most of us know our faults and remember the times we didn't behave in the best way. But how could God simply set aside our sins through our faith in Jesus?

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