## Calendar

# September

- 18 Classes 6PM
- 25 Fellowship Meal 6PM

#### October

- 2 Class 6PM
- 6 Kemmel & Lisa Dunham
- 9 Class 6PM
- 16 Fellowship Meal 6PM
- 23 Class 6PM

#### November

- 6 Class 6PM
- 13 Class 6 PM
- 20 Class 6PM

# SMALL GROUPS

Roy & Susan Kellum (601) 362-3004 Cedars - Sunday

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**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

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## SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 STATISTICS

Attendance: 88 Contribution: \$ 5,860.00

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#### MEADOWBROOK CHURCH OF CHRIST



Welcome! Please join Meadowbrook in-person this Sunday at 10:30am.

We will also livestream the service on Facebook.

# **September 15, 2024**

Come, Let Us Worship and Bow DownBrad Blake
Here in This Place
WelcomeLarry Stowe
Christmas ProjectDaun Hale
Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Connections (children ages 4-2nd grade)
God Enthroned Forever
PrayerAnn Dickerson
Glorify Thy Name
Communion
Give Thanks
Matthew 6:9-13: Mary Presley Eifling
Lord, Listen To Your Children Praying
"The Foundation of Prayer: Our Relationship with God "
Brian Cunningham Highest Place
Benediction
The River

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.



A peek inside the Meadowbrook Church of Christ

# Praying for -

Ryan Hamrick, health

Daun Hale, recovering from surgery

Jason Petro, Caleb Stevens' uncle

Camille Dumas, friend of Grace Stevens

Nina & Elizabeth Thorn, Sheila Thorn's mother & aunt

Joe & Chris Adair, friends of Craig & Cindy Wood, health concerns

Kristen Cox, friend of Randy & Teresa Monaghan

Thomas Mangum, Bonita Ellwein's father, hospice care

Latasha Crump Coleman, Lula Bell Luckett's godchild

## ~~~ Ouestions for Reflection ~~~

- 1. In what ways does addressing God as 'Father' impact the way we approach prayer?
- 2. How does seeing God as a loving and providing Father challenge or affirm your trust in Him during difficult times?
- 3. How should the concept of God as 'our Father' influence the way we relate to other believers and to people around us? What does this tell us about the family of God?

On Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate the conclusion of Kemmel and Lisa Dunham's visit with us at Old Trace Park on the Reservoir at 4PM. We need volunteers to: 1. Create a "needs list and sign-up- sheet 2. A chef to cook burgers and hot dogs 3. Organize games for the children and 4. Clean up at the end. Please call Rob Whitley at (601) 362-8844 if you can help.



To be the hands and feet of Jesus

# The Value of the Old Testament (Romans 15:4) by David Jackson

When I was growing up in the church, I frequently heard followers of Christ described as "New Testament Christians." When I began to preach frequently as a college student, I carried a Bible that contained only the New Testament, and it was small enough that it would fit conveniently in my coat pocket, so it was easy to carry. Speakers frequently declared that we were under a new covenant, and that the old one was fulfilled and removed by Jesus, almost implying that we didn't need the Old Testament any more. Partly because of such practices, some people could be heard to say, "You people don't believe in the Old Testament, do you?" While such a conclusion was never true, it is easy to see how that idea might come about, based on observations of practice and teaching. All of which taken together makes it appropriate to ask occasionally, what is the value for us of the Old Testament?

**First,** Jesus said the Scriptures (only the Old Testament in the days of Jesus) pointed to him. To his critics he said, "You diligently study the Scriptures because you think that by them you possess eternal life. These are the Scripture that testify about me..." (John 5:39). To the two disciples who were on their way to Emmaus after the resurrection, Jesus referred to "all that the prophets have spoken" ... And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself" (Luke 24:25, 27). Later that same day he suddenly appeared to those assembled with the Eleven in Jerusalem. He gave them a lesson about the role of the Old Testament Scriptures. He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms." Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem" (Luke 24:44-47). Second, the earliest Christian preaching relied on the Old Testament for proof of Jesus' identity. According to the history in Acts, from the first sermon on Pentecost through the missionary preaching of Paul, the Old Testament Scriptures were the foundation of declaring God's purpose as completed in the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus. To the synagogue in Antioch Paul could say after quoting generously from the Old Testament, "Therefore, my friends, I want you to know that through Jesus the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. Through him everyone who believes is set free from every sin, a justification you were not able to obtain under the law of Moses" (Acts 13:38-39). Third, the letters of the New Testament are filled with quotations from the Old Testament. Their abiding purpose is repeated frequently, such as Paul's reminder at the end of Romans: "For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope" (15:4). He says they teach us, they encourage us, and they give us hope.

I guess it turns out that "New Testament Christians" are also "Old Testament Christians" when you come right down to it. All the Bible is for us and instructs us in the ways of God. We need all 66 books after all!