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Newsletter— August 2025

We're Going Digital!




This will be the last issue of the MBC monthly newsletter. Yes, you read that correctly. It has become increasingly difficult to justify producing a monthly newsletter in light of not only the cost but more importantly its lack of use. More and more people are turning to our online calendar for dates of upcoming events. More and more when people say they didn't know about something and we ask if they saw it in the newsletter, the answer is, "Well, no". Most people carry a cell phone today and have instant access to not only the dates of church activities and information about them, but also contact information for fellow congregants. Another consideration is the cost. The newsletter is costly. Every copy costs money and every issue takes several hours to produce. We've added a part-time administrative assistant, and they are both hustling to keep up as ministry activity increases.

A fair question is, "Is there a better option?". We think there is a better option, a weekly email. The office can easily send out an email with the dates and information about church events, and at no cost. It will be less labor intensive to produce due to the lack of need for time spent formatting, looking for background art, etc. It just makes sense when all things are considered to move to digital communication.

What this means for you is that the **MBC church app** will be your go-to source for information about what's happening at MBC. The office will also print copies of the weekly updates for those who don't use cell phones or computers. Printed copies will be available Sunday mornings at the church Information Center (aka Welcome Center). At Pastor Kevin's previous church, they went this route, and while it took a little while to adjust, it worked well. To get the MBC church app go to your app store and search for the [Tithely Church App](#) or scan the QR code to the right. 





The digital move doesn't end with the newsletter. For the same reasons, August will be the last month we produce the Sunday morning bulletin. The sermon outline and discussion questions page will still be available Sunday morning for those who use them.

 The **Breeze app** for the new church software will contain the directory. *This is different than the MBC church app*, it is an app that works with the software the church is using for records, for ministry planning, scheduling, etc. It will replace the Instant Church Directory many of you are using as an online directory. To get the app go to [breeze church management](#) in your app store and install the app. Contact the church office for login help.

Some of you remember the bulletins and newsletters made with a typewriter and mimeograph machine, and paper directories. You survived the changes of moving to where we are now and you will adjust to this one. Change isn't always easy, but it is inevitable. One thing you can count on not to change is our Lord. Hebrews 13:8 (NASB95) says, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." Hang on to this as well, we will not change in our commitment to hold to the Word of God in all our teaching.

Embracing Change,
Pastor Dan

August

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
MBC Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 8 AM—4 PM & Fridays 8 AM—Noon						1 VBS—9 am-12 pm, All Church VBS Take Down, 12 pm, All Church Iglesia Biblica Worship Practice—5:30 pm, S Church Softball at Twining Park - 7:30 pm Pastor Dan Pitches
3 Single Worship Service: 10:30 am, Twining Park Picnic to Follow Iglesia Biblica - 2 pm, S	4 Prayer Meeting - 6 pm, LL #102 Iglesia Biblica Men's Group - 7 pm, NC	5 Primetimers Games & Lunch - 10 am-1 pm, NC/K	6 Senior Growth Group 1-3 pm, NC	7 Iglesia Biblica Prayer Meeting - 6 pm, NC Worship Team Practice—7 pm, S	8 Iglesia Biblica Worship Practice—5:30 pm, S Church Softball at Twining Park - 7:30 pm	9 Iglesia Biblica Men's Conf—7 am-5 pm, S/NC/K
Ignite & Fusion Campout Governor Dodge State Park				Women's Campout Friday - Sunday Lake Kegonsa State Park		
10 Worship Services: 9 & 10:30 am Iglesia Biblica - 2 pm, S (Women's Campout returns home)	11 Deacon Meeting - 6 pm, NC Elder Meeting - 6pm, LL #106 Prayer Meeting - 6 pm, LL #102	12	13 Senior Growth Group 1-3 pm, NC Awana Leader Training 6:15 pm, NC	14 Iglesia Biblica Prayer Meeting - 6 pm, NC Worship Team Practice—6:30 pm, S	15 Primetimers Pizza Hut Lunch, 11:30 am, Monroe Pizza Hut Iglesia Biblica Worship Practice—5:30 pm, S Iglesia Biblica wedding decorating—6-9 pm Church Softball at Twining Park - 7:30 pm	16 Sanctuary in use 11 am - 2:30 pm Iglesia Youth Worship Service—5-9 pm, S/NC
17 Worship Services: 9 & 10:30 am Iglesia Biblica - 2 pm, S	18 Prayer Meeting - 6 pm, LL #102 Iglesia Biblica Men's Group - 7 pm, NC	19	20 Senior Growth Group 1-3 pm, NC Awana Leader Training 6:15 pm, NC	 Red Cross Blood Drive Noon-6 pm, NC Iglesia Biblica Prayer Meeting - 6 pm, LL #101 Worship Team Practice—7 pm, S	22 Iglesia Biblica Worship Practice—5:30 pm, S	23
24 Worship Services: 9 & 10:30 am Iglesia Biblica - 2 pm, S Loaves & Fishes - Hosted by Primetimers 4 - 6 pm, Grace Lutheran Church	25 Prayer Meeting—6 pm, LL #102	26 Ignite Staff Meeting - 4:45 pm, LL #106	27 Senior Growth Group 1-3 pm, NC	28 Iglesia Biblica Prayer Meeting - 6 pm, NC Worship Team Practice—7 pm, S	29 Homeschool Co-op begins—8:45 am-3:30 pm, All Church Iglesia Biblica Worship Practice—5:30 pm, S	30 Iglesia Biblical Youth Group—5-7 pm, NC 
31 Lord's Table Worship Servies: 9& 10:30 am Iglesia Biblica - 2 pm, S						



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- 1 Karla Chiquito
- 2 Jan Wyss
- 3 Donna Garwell
- 6 Meghann Holverson
- 7 Daniel Skoumal
- 7 Jill Skoumal
- 9 Jovani McNett
- 9 Tom Rossing
- 10 Bernadette Wong
- 14 Ross Simler
- 15 Cindy Demianiuk
- 15 Clare Thoman

- 18 Laura Holverson
- 18 Eva Haworth
- 21 Ashley Clark
- 23 Walter Ohlrich
- 25 Isabelle Clark
- 25 Chelsea Hardacre
- 26 Don Bartelt

• HAPPY •
Wedding
• ANNIVERSARY •

- 1 Dan & Annette Stormont
- 1 Jason & Andrea Elgin
- 2 Shane & Kara Schulte
- 3 Lukas & Kaitlyn Andersen
- 5 Ron & Barb Bernhagen
- 8 Rick & Cheryl Hartwig
- 12 Kim & Kathy Markham
- 14 Richard & Jane Thoman
- 15 Nate & Kay Bloom
- 15 Paul & Andrea Brunner
- 17 Troy & Crystal Watson
- 22 Justin & Jaclyn Miller
- 23 Mike & Beth Figi
- 24 Jason & Kristi Covert



On July 4th we celebrated our freedom in America. Do you cherish your freedom? We have freedom to worship, pray, and witness. Are you utilizing these freedoms? We need to be careful not to become "lazy" believers in Jesus. Don't take a vacation from reading God's Word, praying, or being a part of the body of Christ by worshipping at church each Sunday. Satan will try to lure you away from God with various summer activities. Put God first!

We only have one chapter left to discuss in "The Journey to Victorious Praying". We discuss this during the Prayer Meeting on Monday evenings. Worship is a very important part of prayer. Worship enhances mental, emotional, and spiritual health. Worship draws us closer to God.

Prayer isn't optional. It is vital to the believer's walk with God. Reading God's Word daily isn't an option either. It is also vital for every believer's walk with God.

You are cordially invited to Monday evening prayer meeting at 6 pm each week.

Dan Keen, Prayer Ministry



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Over the last several months, the Missions Ministry has been interviewing and exploring possible candidates for support after a couple of our missionaries needed to leave the field. We are very excited to announce that God has led us to two new families! First we introduce a family that Darryl and Kim Wheeler have known for a very long time and brought to our attention. Heather and Brian Dellamater (and their daughter) serve with Global Outreach International in Kenya. In 2017 they moved there to establish Kijani Farms. They built a home and a successful farm using "farming God's way" techniques. They currently have 30-40 staff members and serve 916 children. Their work includes bringing clean water, productive agriculture, education, health care, and job creation and training to the villages. They also have ample opportunities for evangelism and discipleship. We are excited to watch God work as they continue developing Kijani Farm. Their ultimate goal is to step away when the nationals are able to carry on without them.

The second family is Josh and Megan Smith and their children. Josh practiced in Marshfield as an ENT physician until God called them to meet physical and spiritual need in Guatemala. Their family is currently being prepared for the mission field through an 18 month process with TEAM. Josh is on the board of IGN (Impacting Guatemala Network) which was started by our missionary Oscar Chiquito. They also donated the roasted coffee beans which we offered as a fundraiser for the Retreat and Training Center a couple of years ago. Megan and Josh have had amazing things happen as they obediently followed God's call to missions. We can't wait for you to hear their story!

Crystal Zimmerman, Missions Ministry

Our Deepest Sympathies

We offer our love and prayers to Joan Coppes and her family. Joan's twin sister, Jane Redfearn, passed away Saturday, June 28th. May you find comfort in your memories and peace in our Lord.



We offer our love and prayers to Deb Hendrickson and her family. Deb's husband, Dan Hendrickson, passed away Friday, July 4th. May you have peace and comfort in your cherished memories.



We offer our sympathies to the family and friends of Marlys Isely. Marlys passed away on Monday, July 7th. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

Backpack Buddies

Backpack Buddies would like to thank everyone who has helped for the 24-25 school year. As we came to a close on July 10th it has been another exciting year. Looking back in November the funds were depleted, however God overwhelming supplied us with an abundance. Thank you for donations, prayers and helping hands. We are looking forward to the 2025-2026 school year. WE ARE IN NEED OF TOTES. They can be gently used. We do NOT need lids. The size is about 60-70 quarts. They can be brought to church and placed by the coat rack, or contact Sharon Kubly to have them picked up or if you have any questions. Thank you!

SPOTS AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT TWINING PARK SERVICE!

There are still spots available to serve at our Twining Park Service on **August 3rd**! Grab a friend and supervise a bouncy house; help a busy family fill plates in the buffet line; load tables and chairs before or after the service. If you would like to help, let Pastor Troy know!



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Magnified Vacation Bible School 2025!

“O MAGNIFY the Lord with me and let us exalt His name together.” – Psalm 34:3

Monroe Bible Church (Hosted by MBC, Hope Free Church, and Redemption Church)

VBS 2025

MAGNIFIED!

PSALM 34:3

DISCOVERING THE BIGNESS OF GOD
IN THE SMALLEST OF THINGS

JULY 28 - AUGUST 1
9AM-NOON
AT MONROE BIBLE CHURCH

ALL KIDS 4 YR OLD -
5TH GRADE ARE WELCOME!

REGISTER NOW!
bit.ly/monroevbs25
or scan the QR Code

A SHARED ACTIVITY WITH: **HOPE CHURCH** **REDEMPTION CHURCH** **BIBLE CHURCH**



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August 3rd

Service *In The* **Park**

10:30 AM - TWINING PARK

**Everyone
is Invited!**

**Service at 10:30 am followed by a
Picnic, Games, Bounce Houses,
Sno-Cones, & Popcorn!**

**Brats & Hotdogs will be provided.
*Please bring a side dish and dessert to share.**

Don't forget to bring lawn chairs or blankets!

***No morning services will be held at MBC ***