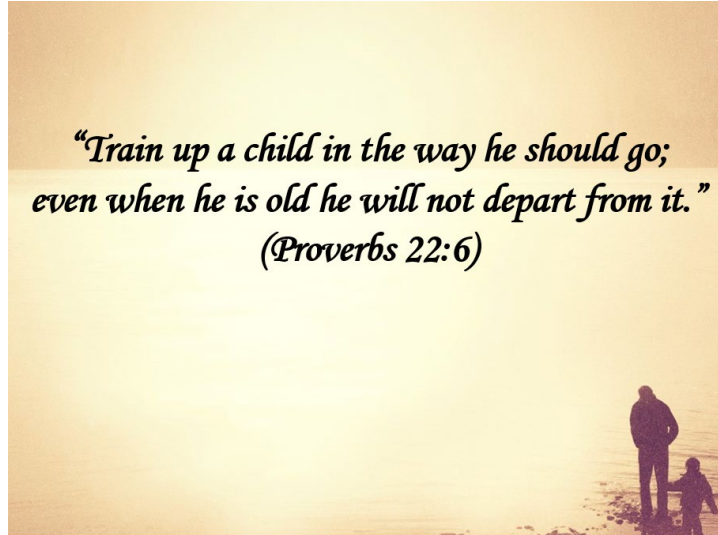




MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

June 2023

*“Train up a child in the way he should go;
even when he is old he will not depart from it.”
(Proverbs 22:6)*



Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. - Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Nights: RAs/GAs, Youth, and Adult Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events

- 6/4: Homecoming Service, 10:15 a.m.
(Dinner on the grounds following the service)
- 6/7: Family Night Meal, 6:30 p.m.
- 6/11: Church Conference, 6:30 p.m.
- 6/17: Game Night, 6:30 p.m.
- 6/18: Praise Team Practice, 5:00 p.m.
- 6/25: Deacons' Meeting, 4:30 p.m.
Choir Practice, 5:00 p.m.
- 7/1- 7/7: Youth Summer Camp
(Camp Living Water, Bryson City, NC)
- 7/10-7/14: VBS, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Monday – Thursday
(6:00 p.m. program and cookout on Friday)



Camping fun at the church farm!

June Happenings with Mt. Olive Youth

Hey guys! So glad it's the summer. Hope we get to go outside more and enjoy the beach. I am so excited for camp the first week of July! As we spend more time outside, we have more opportunities to get in nature. Reading the Bible alone with God is essential to the Christian Life, but it is so much sweeter when we can also do so in nature. Look for opportunities to do this! When we spend time with God it is like an oasis in the desert.



Legendary site of Elim, where the Israelites stopped in the wilderness.

Upcoming Events:

Youth Beach Day Trip Date: TBD based on schedules of available youth. Let Noble know you're interested!

Youth Lake Day - TBD based on schedules of available youth. Let Noble know you're interested!

Children's Lake Day - TBD based on schedules of available youth. Let Noble know you're interested!

June 22nd-24th

Beach Overnight Trip: Ages 17-26. Join Young Adults Burlington: Saturday Night Live as we have a blast hanging at the beach enjoying fellowship, and spending time in God's word.

July 1st-7th

Camp Living Water in the Smokies: Teen Camp

July 10th-14th

VBS: Ages 3-5th grade. 6:30-8:30 p.m., Monday-Thursday, with a program and cookout at 6:00 p.m. on Friday.

How to Consume God's word

June Bible Reading Plan: 4 options/levels

- i. Basic (2 chapters): Read a Psalm which corresponds to the day of the month, and a chapter of the book of Revelation which corresponds to the day of the month.

- ii. Intermediate (4 chapters): Read a Psalm at each meal (e.g. morning, midday, and afternoon) corresponding to the day of the month (morning: 1-30; midday: 30-60; afternoon 60-90) and read one chapter of the book of Revelation which corresponds to the day of the month.

- iii. Advanced (8 chapters): Read a Psalm at each meal and night (i.e. morning, midday, afternoon, evening, and night) corresponding to the day of the month (morning: 1-30; midday: 30-60; afternoon 60-90; evening 90-120; night 120-150) and read one chapter of the book of Revelation which corresponds to the day of the month. Additionally read one more chapter in the New Testament in an epistle/letter. More developed readers may want to add an additional chapter of the Old Testament from a book of their choice too.

- iv. High Load/High Yield (12 Chapters): Read the five Psalms corresponding to the day of the month as previously described, and if desired Job A (1-31) and Ecc/Songs/Job B by day of the month and one more place in the OT. Additionally, read for this month a place in the prophets by day of the month, Corinthians (1 & 2) by day of the month, Rev/Thess by day of the month, Gal/Eph/Phil/Col by day of the month and work to break the remaining letters into 30 pieces for totality. The readings where books are grouped into units are sequential not simultaneous. To go EVEN quicker up the amounts where it says "a place."

Additional Note 1: "The LM Proverb of the Day"

Take the month from the calendar date, and add ten such that 1=11, 2=12, 3=13 etc. to get the chapter number for the book of Proverbs. Then, take the day of the month to get the verse. e.g.

June 4th = Proverbs 16:4

June 5th = Proverbs 16:5

June 18th = Proverbs 16:18

*For serious users, fill in missing slots from chapter 10 (in order; December 17 counts up from 10:17)

Additional Note 2: "Listening to the Bible vs. Reading"

Some individuals will find it is easier to listen to the Bible than to read it. I find the best way to take in God's word is to listen to it, but also to read it on a physical piece of paper. Electronic sources can be helpful, however I find it difficult to focus on the cell phone, though any source is better than none. Some parts of the Bible are much easier to listen to than others. For example I recommend reading the Epistles but listening to History. A great way to listen to the History (Joshua-Esther) is a rate of maximum 8 chapters a day, with some wiggle to start the different book divisions on a single day.

June

BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES

Karen Lloyd	1	
Glenda Thompson	2	Brack & Zelda Lewis
Duane Culler	3	
	4	
	5	
	6	
Drew Copeland	7	
Alice Hadley		
	8	
Leslie Morris	9	
	10	
Jessica Moore	11	
	12	
	13	
	14	
Marie Andrews	15	Mike & Barbara Copeland
Johnny Glosson		
Chris Norwood	16	
Dawn Glosson Wells		
Jimmy Glosson	17	
Gwen Norwood	18	
Jesse Knepp	19	
Tina Vaughn		
	20	Keith & Ann Andrews
Mike Copeland	21	
Isaac Knepp		
Sarah Jones-Ely	22	
Ruth Williams	23	Wendell & Ruth Ann Malpass
	24	
	25	
	26	Charles and Rhonda Nunn
	27	
	28	
Zelda Lewis	29	
Rose Marie Glosson	30	

If you have any corrections/additions to this listing, please email christina@mtolivebaptist.com.

STORIES OF FAITH IN ACTION

“Praise the Lord. How good it is to sing praises to our God, how pleasant and fitting to praise him!”
(Psalm 147:1)

Faith---Sometimes I Feel Like Singing

How many of you like to sing? No, I don't mean just in the shower. I am talking about really enjoying singing when you travel, work, etc. In April, Renee and I went to the Singing in the Sun event in Myrtle Beach, SC. I heard some of the best singing that I have ever heard. Many groups throughout the southern gospel genre sang and witnessed throughout an entire week. We have been going to this event for quite some time now and have been able to get to know some of the artists casually. As I have spoken to several of them, one thing stands out about all of them: their faith. During the Covid year/s, some of the artists struggled to continue with their ministry. They had to rely on their faith to get them through. Performing for an audience is the one thing we see. However, writing and recording songs, keeping their buses running, and many other things dominate their time. These artists admit that it was a difficult time, but they survived because of their faith.

I must admit that since Covid started, I have been able to spend more time in prayer and Bible study. I also enjoy getting our CD player out and putting in gospel tracs so Renee and I can sing. We have done this numerous times at night when we didn't feel like watching tv. I catch myself studying the lyrics more often, paying close attention to what the artist is saying in their song. Singing along to a gospel song is worship to me, and I love singing as a hobby. More importantly, it allows me to spend some time talking to God. One of the songs I enjoy most is sung by the Gaither Vocal band. It is entitled “How Beautiful Heaven Must Be.” Some of the words are “Sweet home of the happy and free, fair heaven of rest for the weary, how beautiful heaven must be.” I think of that and can imagine seeing heaven for the first time.

Psalms 147:1 states, “Praise the Lord. How good it is to sing praises to our God, how pleasant and fitting to praise him!” We should all learn to praise the Lord. God loves hearing us sing, and he loves it when we are worshipping him. God doesn't just hear the voice, good or bad, he sees our hearts. Take time to sing, take time to pray, take time to read the Bible. Enjoy the worship you can have when you sing. Sing a good song, and let it fill your heart with happiness. Let your faith shine through your singing so others can see God through you. It may change their heart, so they feel like singing as well.

Sincerely,

Joe Godfrey