



MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

January 2024



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

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| Saturday, Jan. 20: | Game Night, 6:30 p.m. |
| Saturday, Jan. 27: | Special Presentation, 9:30 a.m.
(Guarding That Committed to Our Trust) |
| Sunday, Jan. 28: | Deacons' Meeting, 4:30 p.m. |
| Saturday, Feb. 24: | Ham and Egg Supper, 6:30 p.m. |

BEJ Snack Pack Focus: Jelly (squeeze bottles)

*Please send submissions for the February Newsletter to christina@mtolivebaptist.com by January 26th.

January

BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES

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Oscar Majors	3	
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Payton Wilkins	6	
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Jackson Batchelor	11	
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Jimmy White	13	
Debbie Henry	14	
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Joyce Tarrant	16	
John C. Marshall	17	Jeff & Joan Snyder
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Layton Curl	19	
Sarah Lindley	20	Willie & Rhonda Thomas
Christina Wilkins	21	
Hannah Jones Black	22	
Elizabeth Jones	23	
Alice Cheek	24	
Ashley Walker		
Hayden Morris	25	
Cassie Moore	26	
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Preston Andrews	29	Preston & Kim Andrews
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Saturday Morning, January 27, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.

MOBC Fellowship Hall

The Apostle Paul writes, "Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to your care. Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge, which some have professed and in so doing have wandered from the faith." (I Timothy 6:20-21)

Ever since the Lord Jesus established his church, she has been challenged to guard the clarity of the Gospel against both internal and external threats. The Reformation of the 16th century was a watershed event to restore the church and the Gospel to her New Testament foundation.

I invite you to set aside two hours of a Saturday morning to hear a presentation of what the Gospel is, how important it is for us to clearly know and understand it, and to keep our church focused on "that which is entrusted to our care."

Please let Christina Wilkins or me know if you are interested in attending.

"Grace be with you," (I Timothy 6:21b)

John Green

2024 Bible Reading Plan

Join us as we read through the Bible in 2024! Paper copies of the reading plan are available at the church.

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday

Sunday School 9:30am
Morning Worship 10:30am

Wednesday

Bible Study/Youth 7pm
(The 1st Wednesday of every month is
Family Night. A meal is provided at 6:45pm)



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 [tinyurl.com/34be7ez7](https://www.youtube.com/tinyurl.com/34be7ez7)

Jan 1: Gen 1-4
Jan 2: Gen 4-7
Jan 3: Gen 8-11
Jan 4: Gen 12-15
Jan 5: Gen 16-18
Jan 6: Gen 19-21
Jan 7: Gen 22-24
Jan 8: Gen 25-26
Jan 9: Gen 27-29
Jan 10: Gen 30-31
Jan 11: Gen 32-34
Jan 12: Gen 35-37
Jan 13: Gen 38-40
Jan 14: Gen 41-42
Jan 15: Gen 43-45
Jan 16: Gen 46-47
Jan 17: Gen 48-50

Jan 18: Ex 1-3
Jan 19: Ex 4-6
Jan 20: Ex 7-9
Jan 21: Ex 10-12
Jan 22: Ex 13-15
Jan 23: Ex 16-18
Jan 24: Ex 19-21
Jan 25: Ex 22-24
Jan 26: Ex 25-27
Jan 27: Ex 28-29
Jan 28: Ex 30-32
Jan 29: Ex 33-35
Jan 30: Ex 36-38
Jan 31: Ex 39-40
Feb 1: Lev 1-4
Feb 2: Lev 5-7

Feb 3: Lev 8-10
Feb 4: Lev 11-13
Feb 5: Lev 14-15
Feb 6: Lev 16-18
Feb 7: Lev 19-21
Feb 8: Lev 22-23
Feb 9: Lev 24-25
Feb 10: Lev 26-27
Feb 11: Num 1-2
Feb 12: Num 3-4
Feb 13: Num 5-6
Feb 14: Num 7
Feb 15: Num 8-10
Feb 16: Num 11-13
Feb 17: Num 14-15
Feb 18: Num 16-17
Feb 19: Num 18-20

Feb 20: Num 21-22
Feb 21: Num 23-25
Feb 22: Num 26-27
Feb 23: Num 28-30
Feb 24: Num 31-32
Feb 25: Num 33-34
Feb 26: Num 35-36
Feb 27: Deut 1-2
Feb 28 / 29: Deut 3-4
Mar 1: Deut 5-7
Mar 2: Deut 8-10
Mar 3: Deut 11-13
Mar 4: Deut 14-16
Mar 5: Deut 17-20
Mar 6: Deut 21-23
Mar 7: Deut 24-27

Mar 8: Deut 28-29
Mar 9: Deut 30-31
Mar 10: Deut 32-34
Mar 11: Josh 1-4
Mar 12: Josh 5-8
Mar 13: Josh 9-11
Mar 14: Josh 12-15
Mar 15: Josh 16-18
Mar 16: Josh 19-21
Mar 17: Josh 22-24
Mar 18: Jud 1-2
Mar 19: Jud 3-5
Mar 20: Jud 6-7
Mar 21: Jud 8-9
Mar 22: Jud 10-12
Mar 23: Jud 13-15
Mar 24: Jud 16-18
Mar 25: Jud 19-21
Mar 26: Ruth
Mar 27: 1 Sam 1-3
Mar 28: 1 Sam 4-8
Mar 29: 1 Sam 9-12
Mar 30: 1 Sam 13-14
Mar 31: 1 Sam 15-17
Apr 1: 1 Sam 18-20

Apr 2: 1 Sam 21-24
Apr 3: 1 Sam 25-27
Apr 4: 1 Sam 28-31
Apr 5: 2 Sam 1-3
Apr 6: 2 Sam 4-7
Apr 7: 2 Sam 8-12
Apr 8: 2 Sam 13-15
Apr 9: 2 Sam 16-18
Apr 10: 2 Sam 19-21
Apr 11: 2 Sam 22-24
Apr 12: 1 King 1-2
Apr 13: 1 King 3-5
Apr 14: 1 King 6-7
Apr 15: 1 King 8-9
Apr 16: 1 King 10-11
Apr 17: 1 King 12-14
Apr 18: 1 King 15-17
Apr 19: 1 King 18-20
Apr 20: 1 King 21-22
Apr 21: 2 King 1-3
Apr 22: 2 King 4-5
Apr 23: 2 King 6-8
Apr 24: 2 King 9-11
Apr 25: 2 King 12-14
Apr 26: 2 King 15-17

Apr 27: 2 King 18-19
Apr 28: 2 King 20-22
Apr 29: 2 King 23-25
Apr 30: 1 Chron 1-2
May 1: 1 Chron 3-5
May 2: 1 Chron 6
May 3: 1 Chron 7-8
May 4: 1 Chron 9-11
May 5: 1 Chron 12-14
May 6: 1 Chron 15-17
May 7: 1 Chron 18-21
May 8: 1 Chron 22-24
May 9: 1 Chron 25-27
May 10: 1 Chron 28 & 2 Chron 1
May 11: 2 Chron 2-5
May 12: 2 Chron 6-8
May 13: 2 Chron 9-12
May 14: 2 Chron 13-17
May 15: 2 Chron 18-20
May 16: 2 Chron 21-24
May 17: 2 Chron 25-27
May 18: 2 Chron 28-31
May 19: 2 Chron 32-34
May 20: 2 Chron 35-36

May 21: Ezra 1-3
May 22: Ezra 4-7
May 23: Ezra 8-10
May 24: Neh 1-3
May 25: Neh 4-6
May 26: Neh 7
May 27: Neh 8-9
May 28: Neh 10-11
May 29: Neh 12-13
May 30: Est 1-5
May 31: Est 6-10
Jun 1: Job 1-4
Jun 2: Job 5-7
Jun 3: Job 8-10
Jun 4: Job 11-13
Jun 5: Job 14-16
Jun 6: Job 17-20
Jun 7: Job 21-23
Jun 8: Job 24-28
Jun 9: Job 29-31
Jun 10: Job 32-34
Jun 11: Job 35-37
Jun 12: Job 38-39
Jun 13: Job 40-42
Jun 14: Ps 1-18

Jun 15: Ps 9-16
Jun 16: Ps 17-20
Jun 17: Ps 21-25
Jun 18: Ps 26-31
Jun 19: Ps 32-35
Jun 20: Ps 36-39
Jun 21: Ps 40-45
Jun 22: Ps 46-50
Jun 23: Ps 51-57
Jun 24: Ps 58-65
Jun 25: Ps 66-69
Jun 26: Ps 70-73
Jun 27: Ps 74-77
Jun 28: Ps 78-79
Jun 29: Ps 80-85
Jun 30: Ps 86-89
Jul 1: Ps 90-95
Jul 2: Ps 96-102
Jul 3: Ps 103-105
Jul 4: Ps 106-107
Jul 5: Ps 108-114
Jul 6: Ps 115-118
Jul 7: Ps 119:1-88
Jul 8: Ps 119:89-176
Jul 9: Ps 120-132

Jul 10: Ps 133-139
Jul 11: Ps 140-145
Jul 12: Ps 146-150
Jul 13: Prov 1-3
Jul 14: Prov 4-6
Jul 15: Prov 7-9
Jul 16: Prov 10-12
Jul 17: Prov 13-15
Jul 18: Prov 16-18
Jul 19: Prov 19-21
Jul 20: Prov 22-23
Jul 21: Prov 24-26
Jul 22: Prov 27-29
Jul 23: Prov 30-31
Jul 24: Ecc 1-4
Jul 25: Ecc 5-8
Jul 26: Ecc 9-12
Jul 27: Song of Solomon
Jul 28: Isa 1-4
Jul 29: Isa 5-8
Jul 30: Isa 9-12
Jul 31: Isa 13-17
Aug 1: Isa 18-22
Aug 2: Isa 23-27
Aug 3: Isa 28-30

Aug 4: Isa 31-35
Aug 5: Isa 36-41
Aug 6: Isa 42-44
Aug 7: Isa 45-48
Aug 8: Isa 49-53
Aug 9: Isa 54-58
Aug 10: Isa 59-63
Aug 11: Isa 64-66
Aug 12: Jer 1-3
Aug 13: Jer 4-6
Aug 14: Jer 7-9
Aug 15: Jer 10-13
Aug 16: Jer 14-17
Aug 17: Jer 18-22
Aug 18: Jer 23-25
Aug 19: Jer 26-29
Aug 20: Jer 30-31
Aug 21: Jer 32-34
Aug 22: Jer 35-37
Aug 23: Jer 38-41
Aug 24: Jer 42-45
Aug 25: Jer 46-48
Aug 26: Jer 49-50
Aug 27: Jer 51-52
Aug 28: Lam 1-3;36

Aug 29: Lam 3:37-5
Aug 30: Ezek 1-4
Aug 31: Ezek 5-8
Sep 1: Ezek 9-12
Sep 2: Ezek 13-15
Sep 3: Ezek 16-17
Sep 4: Ezek 18-20
Sep 5: Ezek 21-22
Sep 6: Ezek 23-24
Sep 7: Ezek 25-27
Sep 8: Ezek 28-30
Sep 9: Ezek 31-33
Sep 10: Ezek 34-36
Sep 11: Ezek 37-39
Sep 12: Ezek 40-42
Sep 13: Ezek 43-45
Sep 14: Ezek 46-48
Sep 15: Dan 1-3
Sep 16: Dan 4-6
Sep 17: Dan 7-9
Sep 18: Dan 10-12
Sep 19: Hos 1-7
Sep 20: Hos 8-14
Sep 21: Joel
Sep 22: Amos 1-5

Sep 23: Amos 6-9
Sep 24: Obadiah-Jonah
Sep 25: Micah
Sep 26: Nahum
Sep 27: Habakkuk-Zephaniah
Sep 28: Haggai
Sep 29: Zech 1-7
Sep 30: Zech 8-14
Oct 1: Malachi
Oct 2: Matt 1-4
Oct 3: Matt 5-6
Oct 4: Matt 7-8
Oct 5: Matt 9-10
Oct 6: Matt 11-12
Oct 7: Matt 13-14
Oct 8: Matt 15-17
Oct 9: Matt 18-19
Oct 10: Matt 20-21
Oct 11: Matt 22-23
Oct 12: Matt 24-25
Oct 13: Matt 26
Oct 14: Matt 27-28
Oct 15: Mark 1-3
Oct 16: Mark 4-5

Oct 17: Mark 6-7
Oct 18: Mark 8-9
Oct 19: Mark 10-11
Oct 20: Mark 12-13
Oct 21: Mark 14
Oct 22: Mark 15-16
Oct 23: Luke 1
Oct 24: Luke 2-3
Oct 25: Luke 4-5
Oct 26: Luke 6-7
Oct 27: Luke 8-9
Oct 28: Luke 10-11
Oct 29: Luke 12-13
Oct 30: Luke 14-16
Oct 31: Luke 17-18
Nov 1: Luke 19-20
Nov 2: Luke 21-22
Nov 3: Luke 23-24
Nov 4: John 1-2
Nov 5: John 3-4
Nov 6: John 5-6
Nov 7: John 7-8
Nov 8: John 9-10
Nov 9: John 11-12
Nov 10: John 13-15

Nov 11: John 16-18
Nov 12: John 19-21
Nov 13: Acts 1-3
Nov 14: Acts 4-6
Nov 15: Acts 7-8
Nov 16: Acts 9-10
Nov 17: Acts 11-13
Nov 18: Acts 14-15
Nov 19: Acts 16-17
Nov 20: Acts 18-20
Nov 21: Acts 21-23
Nov 22: Acts 24-26
Nov 23: Acts 27-28
Nov 24: Rom 1-3
Nov 25: Rom 4-7
Nov 26: Rom 8-10
Nov 27: Rom 11-13
Nov 28: Rom 14-16
Nov 29: 1 Cor 1-4
Nov 30: 1 Cor 5-8
Dec 1: 1 Cor 9-11
Dec 2: 1 Cor 12-14
Dec 3: 1 Cor 15-16
Dec 4: 2 Cor 1-4
Dec 5: 2 Cor 5-9

Dec 6: 2 Cor 10-13
Dec 7: Gal 1-3
Dec 8: Gal 4-6
Dec 9: Eph 1-3
Dec 10: Eph 4-6
Dec 11: Phil
Dec 12: Col
Dec 13: 1 Thess
Dec 14: 2 Thess
Dec 15: 1 Tim
Dec 16: 2 Tim
Dec 17: Titus-Philemon
Dec 18: Heb 1-6
Dec 19: Heb 7-10
Dec 20: Heb 11-13
Dec 21: James
Dec 22: 1 Peter
Dec 23: 2 Peter
Dec 24: 1 John
Dec 25: 2 John-Jude
Dec 26: Rev 1-3
Dec 27: Rev 4-8
Dec 28: Rev 9-12
Dec 29: Rev 13-16
Dec 30: Rev 17-19
Dec 31: Rev 20-22



Happy New Year, Kings and Queens. Our identity as a son or daughter of God is what propels us over the hump of victory over sin in our lives, according to Romans 8. It says, "So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God." The goal is to be led by the spirit; this is #1. Peak spiritual connection with God comes not when we try the hardest but when we let go. Verse 15: "For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" Instead of working hard as slaves of the world, or to religion, we excel in the spirit, and God calls us sons. To receive the spirit of sonship, simply open your hands and your heart, and ask God to make it more real in your life. "The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him." We will make it to the end and receive his glory. This is what is worth spending our lives on, let's do it!



(Image: A Father loves his children, like God loves us)

This month at Church we will be going to an escape room, Friday the 24th with the Youth! There will be no youth on Wednesday, January 10th.

Coming Up:

- Wednesday January 17th - Youth Group is BACK!
- Friday January 24th - THE ESCAPE ROOM

Full Calendar!



Noble's Bible Reading Plan

Lord's Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Jan 1st <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 1	Jan 2nd <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 2	Jan 3rd <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 3	Jan 4th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 4	Jan 5th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 5	Jan 6th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 6 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 6
Jan 7th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 7 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 7	Jan 8th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 8 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 8	Jan 9th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 9 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 9	Jan 10th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 10	Jan 11th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 11	Jan 12th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 12	Jan 13th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 13 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 13
Jan 14th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 14 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 14	Jan 15th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 15 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 15	Jan 16th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 16 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 16	Jan 17th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 17 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 17	Jan 18th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 18 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 18	Jan 19th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 19 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 19	Jan 20th <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 20 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 20
Jan 21st <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 21 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 21	Jan 22nd <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. 22 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 22	Jan 23rd <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Thess. 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 23	Jan 24th <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Thess. 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 24	Jan 25th <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Thess. 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 25	Jan 26th <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Thess. 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 26	Jan 27th <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Thess. 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 27
Jan 28th <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Thess. 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 28	Jan 29th <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Thess. 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 29	Jan 30th <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Thess. 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 30	Jan 31st <input type="checkbox"/> Lam. 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Lam. 2-3			

Stories of Faith in Action

Faith--- Is God Part of Your New Year?

Many of us make New Year's resolutions, but only 46% of us are successful in keeping them. That means over half of the people who make these resolutions can't keep them. As I was preparing to write this newsletter article, I looked up the top 10 New Year's resolutions. Some of these I have made; some I haven't made. The top ten are...exercise more, lose weight, get organized, learn a new skill or hobby, live life to its fullest, save more money, quit smoking, spend more time with family and friends, travel more, and read more. When I looked at this list, I realized that I have thought about doing some of these recently, even if it wasn't New Year's. However, there is something left off this list...any mention of God. What are you going to do about your relationship with God? Are you going to make the relationship stronger, or are you going to just live life...making secular plans while leaving God out of your life except when it is convenient?

To help all of us be better at keeping New year's resolutions, I wanted to quote some historical figures and provide some examples for us to live by. Benjamin Franklin said, "Early to bed and early to rise, makes a man healthy, wealthy, and wise." Wake up earlier, spend time in God's word, eat a good breakfast, and don't waste another day. Winston Churchill said, "Attitude is a little thing that makes a big difference." Try to make small adjustments to how you live your life. Pray that God grants you patience as you live through each day. In other words, don't sweat the small stuff. William Shakespeare said, "Better three hours too early than a minute too late." If you are normally 10 minutes late to everything, pray that God will give you the mindset to be more prompt. Most people are on time, yet when a person is chronically late, it causes someone else to adjust. Why is your time more important than someone else's? Charles Dickens said, "Have a heart that never hardens, and a temper that never tries, and a touch that never hurts." Be kind and loving just like Jesus said. The greatest commandment other than loving God with all your heart is to love one another. Quit trying to tear others down. Why is your opinion more important than anyone else's? Do you consider others before you say something that isn't nice? John Keats said, "To silence gossip, don't repeat it." Don't be a tattletale or a gossip spreader next year. Engage less in your vices and become more Christ centered. Think to yourself, "Would Jesus say this or do this?"

As I approach the ripe age of 60, I have had to adjust my thoughts about what is important to me. Isaiah 43:18-19 says: "Don't remember the prior things; don't ponder ancient history. Look! I'm doing a new thing; now it sprouts up; don't you recognize it? I'm making a way in the desert, paths in the wilderness." Job 8:7 says: "Although your former state was ordinary, your future will be extraordinary." I can't wait for my future to be extraordinary. My life has been a mixed bag of good and bad. I wish all of it had been good, but I can't change the past. I can only look forward to a bright future ruled by my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. As we think about 2024, let's make it the best year of our life. Let God rule your life and share the love that Jesus has shared with all of us. Feel free to share with everyone what Jesus is doing in your life and allow him to lead you and guide you. Tell others about Jesus and make 2024 the best year of your life.

Have a Blessed New Year,

Joe Godfrey

2023 Christmas Festivities

On Saturday, December 16th, the senior adults had a wonderful time celebrating at their Christmas Party. Great food and fellowship were enjoyed by all!



On Sunday, December 17th, our musicians led the church in a special morning song service. That evening, we observed The Lord's Supper at our Candlelight Service, followed by the annual Christmas Party. Rounding out festivities were Christmas Carolers who provided Christmas cheer to several homes on Wednesday, December 20th.





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