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Spring Meadows
Church of Christ

SMCOC Teacher Appreciation Luncheon

Teachers and Helpers of our children's classes and adult classes, we appreciate you and all that you do! Please join us, with your family, for a luncheon April 3rd. Sign up TODAY via the link that was sent or see the Events Bulletin Board. If you have taught or helped anytime in the past year, we hope that you will attend! See Angie with questions.

Have You Thanked a Deacon Lately?

Bryan Basham

The word 'Servant' isn't a popular adjective in the world today, but it's a good thing God thinks differently than the world! The church is full of servants and God has created servant roles in the church that we call elders and deacons. The word deacon means servant and it's a very important role in the church. God knew there would be needs in the church and His desire was to have 'qualified' men to help serve in different areas.

I Timothy 3: 8-13 Paul gives Timothy the criteria for a deacon. For the most part, the criteria are character qualities. We need men who have skills in different areas, but we see that character is the most important qualification for a deacon. Isn't it interesting that the Bible talks more about who a deacon must be rather than what a deacon will be doing?

In Exodus chapter 18, Moses' father-in-law comes to visit, and watches Moses serve as a judge for all the people from morning until evening. Moses' father-in-law, Jethro told him it wasn't good for Moses to take all the work on by himself, so he recommended selecting "capable men" to help out. The qualifications listed by Jethro are found in Exodus 18:21 "*But select capable men from all the people—men who fear God, trustworthy men who hate dishonest gain…*" Did you notice the qualifications are character qualities… like that of deacons?

In Acts chapter 6 we find a situation where the early church had a need to assist in serving the Hellenistic widows as they were being neglected in the daily distribution of food. The Apostles decided to choose seven men to serve in this area and the qualifications are found in Acts 6:3 "*Men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom…*". Again, we see the stress on the character qualities.

Spring Meadows is blessed with deacons who love to serve and are a vital part of the health of this church. Many deacons serve behind the scenes and can easily go unnoticed as they don't seek attention or notoriety. I encourage you to get acquainted with our deacons, keep them in your prayers, and thank them for their service! Find out about our deacons here: https://smcoc.net/group/deacons

SUNDAY BIBLE HOUR

Nursery - up to 24 months
Lauryn Gaw and Hannah Lawson

Room 2 - 2 & 3 year olds
Sarah Kersey and Sue Erwin

Room 3 - 4's - PreK
Allison Crump and Asha Allen

Room 6 - Kdg - 1st
Sharon Kinnard and Ella Daniels

SUNDAY CLASSES

Classes begin at 5:00pm.

Up to 24 months - Nursery
2's & 3's - Rm 2
4's - Rm 3, **K & 1st** - Rm 6
2nd & 3rd - Rm 4, **4th & 5th** - Rm 8
6th -12th - Teen Rooms
God's Family - (Aud) Andy Baker
Religious Neighbors' Beliefs - (Kitchen) Jerry Morgan
College Age - (Elder's Rm) Jacob Netterville

WEDNESDAY CLASSES

Classes begin at 6:30pm.
Please go directly to class.

Up to 24 months - Nursery
2's & 3's - Room 2
4's - 1st - Room 3
2nd - 5th - Room 8
6th -12th - Teen Rooms
College Age - (Fr. Classroom) Bryan Basham
Biblical Look at Opportunities - (Aud) Jeff Mason
Walk as Jesus Walked - (Hall) Brent Spicer

Remember in Prayer

Continue to remember **John Paul** in prayer. He has a blood infection and endocarditis along with masses on his brain and kidney. He will be on intravenous antibiotics for 6 weeks. The blood infection has to be clear prior to biopsy. Teresa Netterville and Paige Barr are collecting gift cards to help John and Claudia during this time. Contact them if you would like to help.

Our sympathy goes out to **Becky Price** and **Caroline Sparrow** on the passing of John Smith. He is Becky's brother and Caroline's uncle. Please keep this family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Continue to Remember: Nancy Heffington, Adkins Family, Caroline Thurman, Bill Price, and Margaret Curtis.

Expectant Mothers - Victoria Talbert

Upcoming Events

Our annual Spring Fling and Easter Egg Hunt is coming up Sunday, April 10th. A sign-up will be sent out soon for the meal. Right now we need small individually wrapped pieces of candy or small new toys that will fit in the 5000+ eggs that will be filled for the kids.

Place candy or toys in the tote in the lobby by Sunday April 3rd.

May 1, 2022

Kids Corner

Lads Convention Information

We will have a hospitality room again this year. It is a place to hang out throughout the weekend between events. We'll have snacks, drinks daily and lunch will be provided on Saturday. Please pay $5 per family member to Tonya Spicer or online under the Youth Event drop down option by April 4th. If writing a check, make it out to SMCOC.

Please contact Billy Martin at bkm339@gmail.com if you need a 2021 Contribution Statement from Spring Meadows for your taxes.

By the Numbers

Attendance Last Week:

Sunday Worship Service.....460
Sunday Evening Classes.....286
Wednesday Night Classes.....230
Contribution: $18,448.48

Spring Meadows Youth Group

It's a busy and exciting time at Spring Meadows!
What a blessing to be in this Family!

Monday - The Garage Bible Study 7pm at our home!

Wednesday - WASH Day and Lads to Leaders Bible Bowl practice at the building at 5pm for grades 3 - 12. Dinner provided.

Horizons at FHU - July 3 - 8 Open and filling fast! Sign up now if you are coming. This is for those who have FINISHED grade 7-12.

Maury Christian Camp is now open! If your child is 10 years old or has finished the 4th grade, they are eligible for camp. They can register at www.shortmountainbiblecamp.com. There are 2 weeks available. June 5 and June 12. The majority of Spring Meadows kids go the week of June 12, however, I and the interns will be there for BOTH weeks. Sign your kids up QUICK as it will fill fast!

COMING UP!

Makin' Music at Freed Hardeman - We will be going Saturday, April 9th to the matinee show. Tickets are $17.50. Sign up by March 27th.

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