

# **Invest in Your Marriage**

A Marriage Small Group – for Engaged and married couples in every stage and season. We will be meeting the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month from 6-8pm, **Starting April 6<sup>th</sup>**. Please see the posting on the bulletin board in the foyer for more information.

# **Easter Community Outreach Offering**

We are so excited to engage our community once again this Easter season. We are planning on delivering a gift (MC Grocery Gift Card, Chocolate cross and invite to our easter services) to our community via door-to-door evangelism. If God has laid on your heart to sow a seed into this evangelistic effort, please mark your envelope Easter Outreach or select the Easter Outreach dropdown box for online giving. Anything given more than what we would need we will sow it into our Easter Egg Hunt.

We will be collecting this offering through March 30, 2025.

# Easter Egg Hunt/Resurrection Celebration Saturday April 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM

The Easter Egg Hunt & Resurrection Celebration is our largest children's community outreach event of the year. We need your help: Volunteers – sign up in foyer, Candy Donations – table in foyer, Prayers to reach our community. For more information please see Jenn Hillegass, Sheila Gadley or Rebecca Stickle

# **Come All**

Being together with the community & church family is a wonderful place to be.

It is time to gather together around the table for the

# Community Meal - May 4, 2025

Immediately after church service. Everyone is Invited! Pulled Pork & Pulled Chicken, sign-up sheet is in the foyer.

# The Forge – Men's Ministry

We are a group of men coming together to create a Brotherhood through discipleship. As we are forged in the fire, we have the goal of raising up the next generation of young men. We endeavor to do this through Bible study, fellowship, and volunteering throughout our community. We will be meeting every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall.

We look forward to seeing all men ages 13 and up, at our next meeting **April 15**<sup>th</sup>.

# **Church Family Get-a-way in the Great Smoky Mountains**

We are excited to have an opportunity to build community in our church family. We are seeking families/individuals that would be interested in taking a group trip to Tennessee, August 2nd-9th. This would be a vacation experience with your church family, and each family would have the freedom to do whatever they wanted to during this time (Dollywood, Cades Cove, Hiking, Waterfalls, Attractions). We have not yet worked out all the details, but what we do know is that each family will be responsible for their own transportation to and from our destination. We will choose a venue and let everyone know what the cost per person will be.

If interested, please text Pastor Aaron **by April 13th** @ 814-979-5434.

# Coming Up

03-30-2025

# Connect

Easter Cantata - "Today is the Day" Palm Sunday, April 13, 2025

Easter Services - April 18-20th **Good Friday Service - 7:00 PM.** Easter Egg Hunt - Saturday 10:00 AM. **Easter Sunrise Service at Shawnee State Park,** East Beach Parking lot - 6:30 AM. Sunday Morning Worship - 10:00 AM.

# **Easter Community Gift**

We need a few volunteers, Sunday April 6th immediately after service, to help fill the gift bags we will be handing out to the community. We will be passing out the gift bags on April 13th after service also. Thank you for your continued prayers and generous support to make this ministry possible.

## **Easter Invites**

We are preparing for great Easter services at MCCOG. We believe that God is going to send us a harvest. However, we need your help. We have postcards available for you to send to your loved ones and invite them to our Easter Services. Do your part and don't leave today without yours.

# **Lee University Campus Choir – Europe Ministry**

One of our own college students will be traveling to Europe with the Lee University Choir. If you would like to donate towards her ministry, please see more information in the foyer on the Bulletin Board.

# **Church Work Day**

Keep your Calendar open for Saturday May 3rd. Let us join together to make the Lord's House and property beautiful and pleasing to him.

## Hand-made Cards that support OCC

We have been blessed with a wonderful card creating artist in our church. Karen Rose has donated her work to help support Operation Christmas Child. In the foyer we have a beautiful selection of hand-made cards. They are sold on a donation basis. Pick a card and give whatever donation you would feel is appropriate. Place your money in a tithe envelope and marked for OCC cards. What a great way to make a difference.

# **Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes**

During the month of March, we are collecting stuffed animals. Your kindness in donating items monthly to OCC leads many children and their family to an opportunity for evangelism, discipleship, and the multiplication of believers and churches to the ends of the earth.

# **Sunday Service Schedule**

**Life Group** 9:30 AM

Adult Class, church lower level

# **Sunday Morning Worship**

**10:30 AM,** Cry room, in back of sanctuary, unstaffed. Infant and Toddler Room, church lower level, staffed.

## Children's Church

**10:30 AM** — the first Sunday each month, there is no Children's Church due to children participating in the worship service for Student Ministry Sunday

# **Intercessory Prayer**

4:00 PM, church sanctuary

We need to understand: Jesus is the victor -we're the enforcer; Jesus is the redeemer - we're the releasers; Jesus is the Head – we're the Body. God shapes the world and our lives by prayer.

**March Dates:** (30<sup>th</sup> is District Revival)

# **Monday**

# **Common Ground Young Adult Class**

7:30 PM, church lower level, Room #8

# **Wednesday Service Schedule**

7:00AM Prayer, in Sanctuary

**Choice Kids** 

7:00 PM, church lower level, large room

**Crossover Youth** 

7:00 PM, fellowship center

**Adults** 

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