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**MAY 22 – JUNE 5, 2016**

- 22 SUN**  
 9:00 am Life Groups (Bible Study)  
 10:30 am Worship / Kids Worship (K – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, Room 222)
- 23 MON**  
 9:30 am Nifty Knitters (Room 110)
- 24 TUE**  
 10:00 am Staff Meeting (Conference Room)  
 6:30 pm Church Council Meeting (Choir Room)
- 25 WED**  
 5:45 pm Handbells (Music Wing)  
 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)  
 Mission Friends (Preschool Hall)  
 Children in Action (Room 222)  
 Youth Bible Study (Youth Wing)  
 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 26 THURS**  
 6:30 pm Girl Scouts (Room 102)  
 7:00 pm PDC Graduation (Sanctuary)
- 29 SUN**  
 9:00 am Life Groups (Bible Study)  
 10:30 am Worship / Kids Worship (K – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, Room 222)
- 30 MON** **MEMORIAL DAY – Office Closed**
- 31 TUE**  
 10:00 am Staff Meeting (Conference Room)
- 1 WED**  
 5:30 pm Church Dinner (Fellowship Hall)  
 5:45 pm Handbells (Music Wing)  
 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)  
 Mission Friends (Preschool Hall)  
 Children in Action (Room 222)  
 Youth Bible Study (Youth Wing)  
 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 2 THURS**  
 6:00 am Feeding the Homeless (Oasis)  
 9:00 am Backpack Delivery to Southwestern Elementary  
 10:30 am WMU Carol Knight Group (Overflow Room)  
 6:30 pm Girl Scouts (Room 102)
- 4 SAT**  
 6:30 pm Graduate Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
- 5 SUN** **Graduate Recognition Sunday**  
 9:00 am Life Groups (Bible Study)  
 10:30 am Worship / Kids Worship (K – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, Room 222)  
 6:00 pm Youth Game Night (Fellowship Hall)

**JACKSON MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH**

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**WEEK IN REVIEW**

	May 8	May 15
<b>LIFE GROUPS</b> (Sunday Bible Study)		
Enrollment.....	364	364
Attendance .....	166	152
New Members.....	1	
Visitors.....	6	17
Total Attendance .....	173	169
<b>WORSHIP</b>		
Morning Services.....	241	191
Kid's Worship .....	24	17
Total Attendance .....	265	208

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP**

<b>BUDGET</b>		
Required Per Week .....	11,187.51	11,187.51
Received.....	10,471.32	8,274.00
Mid-Week Received .....	1,645.00	1,063.60
Online Received .....	1,365.00	1,015.00
Required to Date .....	212,562.69	223,750.20
Total Received to Date.....	210,053.31	220,405.91
<b>BUILDING Fund</b>		
Phase 2 (New Sanctuary) .....	120.00	
<b>MISSIONS</b>		
Annie Armstrong.....	50.00	100.00
Annie Armstrong to Date .....	6,848.00	6,948.00
JMBC Missions.....	200.00	200.00
Lue English.....	65.00	
PBA .....	21.00	
<b>OTHER</b>		
Backpack Ministry .....	20.00	20.00
Benevolent Fund .....	15.00	
Deacon Fund.....	10.00	10.00
Youth Ministry.....	10.00	

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**Sunday Services**

**9:00 a.m. Life Groups**  
 (Bible Study)

**10:30 a.m. Worship**  
 Kids Worship

**BUCK THE TREND**

As we enter the summer months, a phenomenon that has plagued most churches in the United States becomes more intense and noticeable. Many church growth experts, denominational leaders, and pastors have written about this phenomenon, and it is often discussed among groups of church leaders and in pastor's meetings. It is the reality that people are attending church less often. I am speaking of all church attenders, from the hard-core member to the person who attends once in a while. Across the board, studies show that church attendance is less frequent.

There are many explanations and theories as to why this is the case. You can read some articles about it here <http://careynieuwhof.com/2015/02/10-reasons-even-committed-church-attenders-attending-less-often/> and here <http://thomrainer.com/2013/08/the-number-one-reason-for-the-decline-in-church-attendance-and-five-ways-to-address-it/> and here <http://news-smallchurch.com/members-arent-attending/> and there are many others like them.

As your pastor, my encouragement to you is to buck the trend of attending church less often. As your pastor, I am exhorting you to obey the Word of God and not fall into the habit of so many church members and attenders. In faith, choose to obey Hebrews 10:25. It says, "Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

God gave us that command for a reason. He knows that we need the instruction of the Word of God, the encouragement of other Christians, and the opportunity to serve others as we exercise our spiritual gifts. Are there times when we are providentially hindered from physically attending? Sure. Are there occasional times when we are vacationing or on special family outings? Yes. But I want us to be the church that bucks the trend. I want us to be the church that obeys the Word of God and makes gathering with God's people a priority.

My challenge to you is to recommit yourself to faithfully gathering with the Lord's people and the Lord's church this summer.

Pastor Tommy



### WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY SERIES

6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Come join us as we study Principles from Proverbs.

### CHURCH DINNER

Wednesday, June 1 at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**Menu:** Bar-b-que Chicken, Mexican Corn, Greens, Roll and Dessert



**Cost:** Adults \$6.00, Children (12 and under) eat free. Please sign up and pay with Betsy Gardner either before or after the Sunday Worship service at the Welcome Desk in the main foyer.

### GRADUATION 2016

A Graduation dinner is scheduled for Saturday, June 4 and the Worship Service recognition is Sunday, June 5. This is a celebration of both High School and College student's achievements. If you plan on attending these events, please contact Eileen Rivera at [emrivera27@yahoo.com](mailto:emrivera27@yahoo.com).

### BASEBALL GAME TRIP PLANNED

"Take me out to the Ballgame..." Mark your calendar for Friday, August 12 for a trip to D.C. to see the Nats vs Braves. More information coming soon.



### NEW LOST & FOUND AREA AVAILABLE

Did you leave your glasses in the pew, keys in your small group, husband in the hallway? Well, for the small items you can look for them on our new **Lost & Found Shelf** in the hallway between the Preschool area and the Fellowship Hall.

### ONLINE GIVING

For your convenience, online giving is available on our website ([jacksonmemorial.org](http://jacksonmemorial.org)). Simply click on '**Online Giving**' and follow the steps.

## Mission Opportunities

### DONATIONS NEEDED FOR MISSION TRIPS

The following items are needed for the Standing Rock Mission Trip - July 24-30, 2016. Supplies for sewing projects and personal care items for ladies.

Also needed are new tennis shoes, underwear, and socks, and new pillowcases. Standard pillows (about 800) will be purchased for the Wakpala Native Americans. Pillowcase pattern instructions are available to make the pillowcases.

The Eastern Shore team will be assembling kits for distribution to Children, Teens, Babies, Men and Ladies. Items needed include toiletry items for all, coloring books, crayons, lotions, lip gloss, small toys, journals, note books, pens/pencils, rattles, storybooks, grooming items.

See the Missions Bulletin Board for a more detailed listing of items needed.

**Collection boxes are available in the Music Wing hallway and the Fellowship Hall.**

## CHILDREN/YOUTH EVENTS

### SUMMER DAY CAMPS

On Thursdays from 9:00 – 12:00 noon.

Camp dates:

June 30                      July 14

July 28                        August 11

August 18                    August 25

Each week will have a theme; examples include Savior Martial Arts, Virginia Living Museum, Engineering for Kids, Water Day, etc. Look for information regarding sign-ups coming soon. For children K5 completed – 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 'Submerged'

August 1 – 5, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon. Come out for a week of fun, songs, Bible stories and crafts. Volunteers are needed. Contact Phillip Reinke at 484-5568 if interested.

Phillip Reinke,  
Minister of Family Life

Isaiah 6:8

Oh, how they have grown! We have had the privilege to share our mornings with some of the most amazing children this year. It is our hope and prayer that they have grown in just the way God planned, that they know they are His amazing creation and that He has an awesome plan for each of them.

With graduation next week, we will be sending children off to kindergarten ready for the exciting journey ahead. We will also be saying good-bye to families who have become a big part of our preschool family over the last five years.

As a ministry of JMBC, we would like to invite you, our church family, to join us celebrate the children during the Graduation Ceremony, Thursday, May 26, 2016 at 7:00 pm.



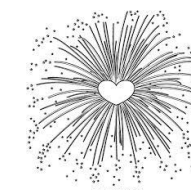
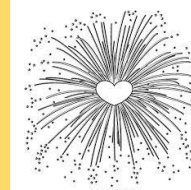
## SUMMERTIME SUPPERS

Join us this summer, (July and August), for a change of pace. A light supper will be served on alternating Wednesdays; it will consist of a sandwich, chips/side and a light dessert.

The summer schedule will be:

- July 6 – Light supper
- July 13 – Watermelon Feast
- July 20 – Light Supper
- July 27 – Bring homemade Ice Cream to share
- August 10 – Build your own Sundae
- August 17 – Light Supper
- August 24 – Bring your favorite summer dessert to share
- August 31 - Light supper

The cost for the light supper meals is \$5.00/person. Come and enjoy the meals at 5:30 pm, prior to Bible study.



### FAMILY SUMMER BLAST-OFF

**SATURDAY, JUNE 25**

**BENNET'S CREEK PARK, SHELTER #2**

**4:00 pm until PARK CLOSING TIME**

**Bring a dish and drink of your choice,  
lawn chairs and towels.**

**Hamburgers and Hot Dogs will be provided.  
More information will follow.**