

Welcome

A *meridian* can be defined as "the highest point reached by a heavenly body in its course."¹ Although we are not literally in heaven, we have been placed, as believers in "heavenly places in Christ Jesus" (Ephesians 2:6). As we set our aim of *Lifting Christ Higher*, focusing on Heaven, and seeking to continually draw nearer to Jesus, then we will begin to comprehend those "heavenly places" as more of a reality than just some words on a page.

Please accept our heartfelt thanks for choosing Meridian as the place for you to give honor and praise to our wonderful Savior on this Lord's Day. We trust that you will come to know and understand more fully the relationship you can have in Jesus Christ.

¹ Webster's New World Dictionary, ©1971.

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Sermon notes

Grace and Peace – Pt. 6 Romans 1:7-12

Grace and peace serve as a foundation for our spiritual journey and interactions with others.

1. The Grace and resulting Peace of a Solid Witness (8)

This expression of thanks was meant to encourage them in their faith.

We should not undervalue the benefit of encouragement.

Encouragement brings satisfaction to our heart to help us to know that we are making a difference.

2. The Grace and Peace of the Strain of prayer (9-10)

These Christians were seeking to be faithful not knowing that supplication was being made for them to the very throne of God.

We can often feel alone in our journey with God. God cares!

Luke 22:32 – example of Peter
The proud of heart reject the encouragement of prayer from others.

3. The Grace and Peace from a Supportive community (11-12)

Paul's desire was to impart a blessing to them by encouraging them in person.

He is hoping to be supportive and encouraging by his very presence and ministry of the Word in person.

The goal was for these Christians to become established and strengthened in their faith.

The value of fellowship is not only in the realm of Christianity, but in a local church body of caring believers.
(Hebrews 10:25)



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We extend a warm WELCOME!

If you are visiting today,

Connect Cards are available for you

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30am

MORNING WORSHIP 10:40am

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 9:11-15

Hymns – (Blue) 413, 407, 416

TRUSTEE MTG 4:30pm

EVENING SERVICE 6:00pm
Missionary Daniel Simonsen (Kenya)

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Young people ages 4 - 4th grade are invited to be dismissed before the sermon for age-related teaching.

THIS WEEK AT MERIDIAN

Tue – 6:30PM – FPU

Wed – 6:30PM – Adult Bible Study and Prayer; Kid's Club

Thur – 7PM – Rescue Mission (Tom Hummingbird)

CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

A significant benefit of our Pictorial Directory is that it helps people identify others with a picture. It also provides a location for contact information as well as birthdays and anniversaries. If you would like to be included in our directory, let Pastor Kliewer know.

LOOKING AHEAD AT MERIDIAN

Aug 10 (Sun, 4:30PM) – Deacons mtg.

Aug 15 (Fri, 5:30PM) – New Hope Outreach

Aug 17 (Sun, SS) – Missionary Heather Harr (Asia)

Aug 17 (Sun, PM) – Communion

Aug 19 (Tue, 5:30PM) – New Hope Outreach

Aug 26 (Tue, 11:30AM) – Ladies Lunch Bunch

Aug 30 (Sat, 9AM) – Meridian Mighty Men Fellowship

Aug 31 (Sun, PM) – Singspiration & Testimonies

Aug 31 (Sun, PM) – Sandwich and Homemade Ice Cream Fellowship

Sep 7 (Sun, AM) – Quarterly Business mtg.

MISSIONARY DANIEL SIMONSEN

This evening, we welcome Daniel Simonsen, a new missionary to our church, to present God's calling on his life. He and his wife, Mary are sent out under Baptist World Mission to Kenya, East Africa. They have been working with Daniel's parents, veteran BWM missionaries, Dr. Rick, and Sue Simonsen at Trinity Baptist Church in Gatukuyu. After they return from deputation, they are planning to launch out and begin new churches in the surrounding areas. An offering will be received to assist them in their ministry.

HEARING IMPAIRED

Do you have difficulty hearing everything in the service? If so, please stop by the Sound Room where we might be able to help you. We believe our hearing assistance system will improve your experience.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

The **June** Financial Report is available on the desk in the Church Office.

REACHING OUT

The folks listed below are people from our church family who reside in area nursing care facilities. We encourage you to let them know that we care for them as a church family. A card with a short greeting goes a long way in demonstrating our love.

Schowalter Villa –

Marian Bryan, Boyd Crocker

Kansas Christian Home –

Shirlene Fulton

Paramount –

Karen Wonders

There are others listed on the Prayer Sheet under "Long-term Concerns" who would appreciate encouragement.

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK

If you are a Facebook user, and have not already done so, please "Like" "**Meridian Baptist Church**" in your account. Doing so will cause our page to show up in your feed and when you respond, it will be seen by your friends. There is also a separate private page for our ladies called, "**Ladies of Meridian.**" Inclusion on this page requires approval from the page moderator.

NURSERY SCHEDULE

Aug 3 – AM – Daina / Peggy
PM – Sarah / Elijah

Aug 10 – AM – Ashley / Crystal
PM – Kathy / Deidra