

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. 7 Ephesians 1:1-14

The grace of God's enumerable blessings in Christ are the firm foundation for our peace.

1. The Source of Blessings (3) – He makes us "Blessed"

Being "in Christ in Salvation, we are blessed in Him. "holy and without blame"

He is our **Justification** – Declared righteous and absolved of guilt.

He is our **Sanctification** – Deliverance of righteousness to us to make us holy
God wants to bless us with every blessing available to us in a continuous flow.

2. The Span of Blessings (4,10) – ranges from eternity to eternity

These blessing of God originated before the world began.

There is a day coming when God will commence with His purpose and plan for the ages.

3. The Satisfaction of Blessings (4,5,6,12) – God's goals for us.

a. He has Chosen us (4)

Salvation begins with God

b. He has Adopted us (5)

We are given an adult standing in God's family and makes us accepted by God.

c. He has Redeemed us (7)

Set free by a payment made for us.

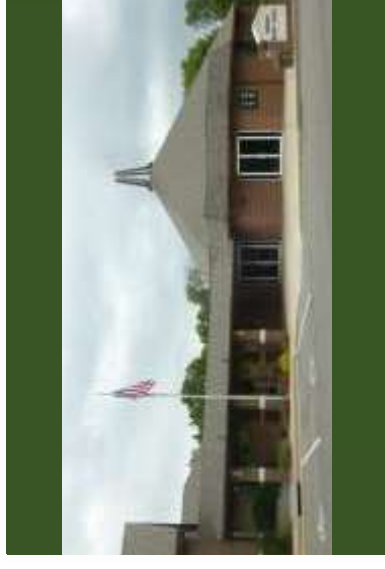
d. He has revealed God's will to us (8,9) -- We have insight into the

heart of things that leads to right actions.

e. He has made us an inheritance (11)

f. He has sealed us (13-14)

God desires that we live in His abundant peace. It only comes as we come to accept and more fully understand His wondrous grace.



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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: Joshua 24:13-18

Hymns – (Blue) 392, 70, 369

DEACONS MTG 4:30pm

EVENING SERVICE 6:00pm

Pastor Caleb 2 Timothy 4:6-8

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

Fri – 5:30PM – New Hope Outreach

Sat – 10AM – Outreach Visitation

Sat – Noon – Barnabas Class

Fellowship Luncheon (Heather Harr)

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.

LOOKING AHEAD AT MERIDIAN

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

Aug 31 (Sun, PM) – Singspiration & Testimonies

Aug 31 (Sun, PM) – Sandwich and

Homemade Ice Cream Fellowship

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

Sep 11 (Thu, Noon) – First Responder

Appreciation Lunch

Oct 25-Nov 1 – Southland Service Trip

MISSIONARY HEATHER HARR

We have supported Heather since 2016.

She ministers in Asia via various

avenues. She will be speaking to a

combined adult Sunday School **next**

Sunday, August 17 and will share a

brief testimony in the AM service. A Love

Offering will be received at the close of

the AM service to aid in her expenses.

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 Kliever know.

Please note that the Pictorial Directory is separate from our text notifications.

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY

Kansas State Fair Bible Project –

Sep 5-14 – This opportunity involves

handing out copies of John/Romans or

other Gospel literature and assembling

copies of John/Romans. We plan to help

with the booth on **Monday, Sep 8**. The

following time slots are suggested

(9:00am-1:00pm / 1:00-5:00pm / 5:00-

9:00pm). If you cannot stay the entire

time period, that is just fine. **Please sign**

up at the Hospitality Desk in a time slot

if you are interested and available. If

Monday does not work for you, sign up

on another day and time.

READING MATERIAL

(Hospitality Desk)

-Frontline magazine –

“Growing Fathers” (July / August

issue). This is a great resource for

fathers of any age. There is also

information about an online resource,

GROWINGFATHERS.COM

-Challenger –

Published by **Sam Slobodian of BIEM**.

Each issue focuses on various ministries

of BIEM in Ukraine and Russia.

-Our Daily Bread

(**Sep – Nov**) devotional books for a daily

time with God in His Word.

NURSERY SCHEDULE

Aug 10 – AM – Ashley / Crystal

PM – Kathy / Deidra

Aug 17 – AM – Anna / Karen M.

PM – Sarah / Elijah