

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

God's Tender Mercies Lamentations 3:21-32

Recalling God's Mercy is a worthy praise for Thanksgiving.

1. The Lord's Mercies Reveal that bad things do not need to seem Worse than they really are (22)

a. Negativity of life says –

"Things cannot get any worse."

Truth of God says –

"Things could be worse, but are not because of God's mercies."

b. Negativity of life says –

"Things cannot get any better."

Truth of God says –

"Things can potentially get better because of God's mercies."

2. The Lord's Mercies Restore Joy and confidence in His people (22b - 26)

a. They are Fail-proof

"fail not" – never finished

"every morning"

b. They are Full

"The Lord is my Portion"

With joy and confidence, we can say, "God is GOOD, ALL the time!" (25)

3. The Lord's Mercies Reward the Faithful (27-32)

Those carried into captivity were given some interesting counsel from God as to how they were to view their captivity (**Jeremiah 27-29**). It was to be viewed as a necessary means of discipline and teaching.

In **Jeremiah 42**, God confirms the value of His discipline.

Hebrews 12:10

Psalms 119:156

Trials are part of God's valuable teaching.

These blessings and more are available to anyone who will humbly come to God.



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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: Lamentations 3:22-26

Hymns – (Red) Front Cover, 449, 18, 40

CHOIR REHEARSAL 5:00pm

EVENING SERVICE 6:00pm

Pastor Caleb *Bible Delight*

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

Wed – 6:30PM – Adult Bible Study and Prayer; Bible Seekers; Teen Bible Study

Thur – 7:00PM – Rescue Mission Service (Tom Hummingbird)

Sat – 9:00AM – Secret Sister Reveal

Sat – 10:30AM – Christmas Program Rehearsal

LADIES' / MEN'S CHRISTMAS CHORUS

LADIES: Meet in the Sanctuary after the morning service.

MEN: Meet in Andersen Hall right after the morning service.

LOOKING AHEAD AT MERIDIAN

Dec 7 (Sun, AM) – Annual Business mtg.

Dec 11 (Thurs, 6:00PM) – Ladies Christmas Salad Supper

Dec 14 (Sun, AM) – Christmas Emphasis

Dec 21 (Sun, PM) – Christmas Caroling Outreach

Dec 31 (Wed, 6:00PM) – Soup Supper and service

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

We are very grateful for the many folks who comprise the membership of Meridian Baptist Church. Without your faithful participation, we could not function. Your attendance, giving and service are a great blessing to many people and ultimately bring glory and praise to the wonderful Savior whom we seek to exalt. As a member, you are encouraged to attend the Annual Business Meeting **NEXT SUNDAY** after the morning service. We will be voting on two major items for the new calendar year: the **Annual Budget** and the **Officers** who will be serving the Lord and this congregation along with some new members. Not only is your input valuable, but your interest and participation are equally important for us to maintain a vital ministry for the Lord.

- 1) The slate of officers and committee members is posted on the bulletin board
- 2) The proposed budgets (General and Missions) are available in the church office on the Desk.

SECRET SISTER REVEAL PARTY

With the year coming to a close, the Secret Sister Christmas party and reveal will be **9:00AM Saturday, December 6** at The Breadbasket.

OUR DAILY BREAD

If you are looking for some daily devotional reading material, the Our Daily Bread devotionals are a good resource. Each day features scripture reading, a key verse and a short devotional relating to the Scripture reading. At the end there are some probing questions for thoughtful meditation and personal growth. Booklets for **December-February** are available at the Hospitality Desk in the foyer.

INCLEMENT WEATHER NOTIFICATION

If the need for the cancellation of a service should arise due to snow or ice, you may check one of the following sources:

- MBC Home Page - www.mbcnewton.org
- MBC Facebook page
- MBC Information Link - Texting or Email

MBC TEXT NOTIFICATIONS

If you wish to receive notification from the church about events, service cancellations, prayer requests, etc., just text the word **"Join"** to 316-999-8857.

PAM KLIEWER PIANO CD

We are pleased to announce the completion and availability of Pam's piano CD. There is no charge for the CD, but if you would like to make a donation, it will go back into her Memorial Fund to help with other music projects. You will find a plate next to the CD's. There is also a booklet available containing the words to the recorded songs.

NURSERY SCHEDULE

**Nov 30 – AM – Daina / Peggy
PM – Kathy / Deidra**

**Dec 7 – AM – Daina / Peggy
PM – Sarah / Elijah**