

## MAY 2017

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## ENTRUSTED



I write this on the heels of completing the ninth and last of the Pathways training workshops. Over the last three years MBC has hosted three workshops each year and has now become what might be the first training site in the U.S. to host all nine training workshops. Twenty-eight different men have attended one or more of these trainings, and have passed the training on in countries in Africa, Southeast Asia, and Central America. The picture above is of the men who were able to attend this last training.

Pathways exemplifies Paul's exhortation to Timothy better than any that I've personally experienced, "The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also." (2 Timothy 2:2, NASB). The workshops each build on the previous workshop, gradually teaching participants valuable "tools" to accurately understand God's Word so that they can accurately teach it. U.S. pastors who are taught the Pathways method are equipped to take this training to pastors in other countries who do not have opportunity for Biblical training or access to resources. The pastors in those countries in turn are expected to pass this training on to other pastors who can then pass it on to other pastors.

I write this to commend you as a church for your part in helping train and send pastors. You have supported our trainer Brad Reardon, as a missionary during this whole time. The pastor's who've come here for training have always complemented MBC for such wonderful hospitality in providing housing and meals. And lastly, you've supported me in the trips I've been on. It has been a blessing to be part of such a significant ministry with so much potential for impacting lives, spreading the gospel message, and expanding the Kingdom of God. I'm grateful to you for granting me the freedom and giving me the support to participate in Pathways. As you probably already know, in addition to helping train in Ghana and Liberia, God allowed me to be instrumental in starting this training in Guatemala, with the anticipation of spreading to 70 churches in one denomination across that country.

I also write to keep the "entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others" principle before us. Paul is writing to Timothy who is leading the church in Ephesus. He is urging Timothy to train and give ministry responsibility to faithful men in the church who can in turn do the same to others. In verses 1-6 Paul instructs Timothy to "be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus," and to accept hardship, and apply self-discipline. I've seen how important this is for both the ones being trained, and the trainers!

We might each ask the Holy Spirit's help in doing some self-evaluation concerning our own faithfulness and self-discipline to follow Christ. We might ask ourselves as a church, are we training and entrusting those who've shown themselves to be faithful? Most importantly, we should understand what it means to "be strong in the grace that is in Christ." Our strength for all ministries is not in ourselves, it is in Christ. His willingness to use us, despite our weaknesses, and failures is pure grace. The fact that He would release His power through us, into the service opportunities He gives us, is pure grace. So, let's not be afraid to be entrusted, but make sure we're strong in His grace.

An Object of God's Grace,

*Pastor Dan Krahenbuhl*



# MAY 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Missions Mtg. ~ 6 pm, LL #106  Prayer Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102	2 Primitimers Lunch & Games ~ 10 am—1 pm, NC/K	3 Men's Study ~ Noon, LL #106	4 National Day of Prayer ~ 6:30 am, Ludlow Mansion  VBS Mtg. ~ 6 pm, LL #106 Choir ~ 6:30 pm, S NA ~ 7 pm, LL #102 Worship Team ~ 7:45 pm, S	5	6 Men's Breakfast ~ 8 am, NC/K  NC/K in use noon—3 pm
7 Worship Services: 9 & 10:30 am, Café Service: 10:30 am, NC Sunday School & ABF's ~ 9 am Kids Choir ~ 11:45 am, LL #106  Ignite ~ 4-6 pm, LL #106 Next Steps—Step 1 (1 s.) - Noon Lunch, NC/K Next Steps—Step 3 (1 s.), 6:30 pm NC Fusion ~ 7-9 pm, LL #106	8 Monroe Area Community Closet Orientation Night 5—7 pm W5951 Patina Ln., Monroe  Prayer Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102 Elder Bd. Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #106	9	10 Men's Study ~ Noon, LL #106  Café Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, NC	11 Choir ~ 6:30 pm, S NA ~ 7 pm, LL #102 Worship Team ~ 7:45 pm, S	12	13 Care Net Pregnancy Center "Walk for Life"  Sanctuary in Use ~ 10 am—noon
14 Worship Services: 9 & 10:30 am, Café Service: 10:30 am, NC Sunday School & ABF's ~ 9 am  Sanctuary, NC & K in use 2 pm – 6 pm Ignite ~ 4-6 pm, LL #106 Fusion ~ 7-9 pm, LL #106	15 Prayer Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102	16	17 Men's Study ~ Noon, LL #106	18 Choir ~ 6:30 pm, S NA ~ 7 pm, LL #102 Worship Team ~ 7:45 pm, S	19 <b>JUNE NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE!</b>  Primitimers 11:15 am Pizza Hut lunch	20
21 Lord's Table Guatemala Special Offering Last week of Life Groups  Worship Services: 9 & 10:30 am, Café Service: 10:30 am, NC Sunday School & ABF's ~ 9 am  Ignite ~ 4-6 pm, LL #106 Fusion Finale ~ 3-10 pm, Sky Zone & Hu Hot	22 Prayer Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102	23	24 Men's Study ~ Noon, LL #106  Guatemala Papa Murphy's Fundraiser for KATW Playground Equipment	25 Choir ~ 6:30 pm, S NA ~ 7 pm, LL #102 Worship Team ~ 7:45 pm, S	26 Nehemiah Center in use	27 Nehemiah Center/ Kitchen in use noon—9 pm  Reuben Larson graduation party 4—7 pm
28 Worship Services: 9 & 10:30 am, Café Service: 10:30 am, NC Sunday School & ABF's ~ 9 am  No Ignite or Fusion Timothy Thoman graduation party 3—9 pm	29 <b>Memorial Day - MBC Office Closed</b>	30 Pleasant View Service ~ 9:30 am	31 Men's Study ~ Noon, LL #106		Looking ahead: Silas Setterstrom graduation party June 11 from 4—8 pm	

- 1 Penny Ferreri
- 3 David Hurlbert
- 4 Tracy Signer
- 5 Suzette Sherman
- 7 Collin Bisegger
- 8 Loren Bruehlman
- 9 Brewer Haworth
- 10 Laura Roth
- 11 Meranda Beernink
- 12 Natalie Grebner
- 13 Josh Kuenzi
- 14 Ivy Eddy
- 17 Georgia Brown
- 18 Douglas Crooks



- 19 Elaine Blue
- 21 Charles Kelley
- 24 Doris Kampfer
- 26 Julie Champlin
- 27 Teagan Boom
- 28 Becky Brown
- 29 Ann Toay
- 30 Andrew Boom



- 1 Chris & Becky Troemel
- 3 Ray & Becky Jones
- 5 Harold & Shirley Pieper
- 7 Jeff & Vicki McNett
- 16 Randy & Lucy Whyte
- 18 Russell & Liz Meyer
- 20 Aaron & Meghann Holverson
- Steve & Rhonda Schwarze
- 28 Bob & Deb Hauri



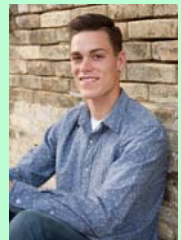
**Let's talk Worship....**

**Ladies Retreat Oct 6-8 2017**

**Save the date! Cost: \$140**



**Reuben Larson** will be graduating from Brodhead High School and continuing his education at Blackhawk Technical College's Advanced Manufacturing Training Center where he will receive his degree as a CNC Technician. Please celebrate with us Saturday, May 27, 4:00 - 7:00 pm ~ 1911 27th Street, Monroe, WI.



**Silas Setterstrom** will be attending UW Madison in the fall where he has been admitted to the School of Engineering. A graduation party will be held for him on Sunday, June 11th from 4:00 pm — 8:00 pm at his home, W4872 Montgomery Rd., Monroe, WI.

**Timothy Thoman** is graduating from Monroe High School. Timothy is going to attend UW Lacrosse and major in Computer Science with a minor in Accounting. We will be having a graduation party at 419 4th Ave., Monroe on Sunday, May 28th from 3:00 pm until 9:00 pm.



Our Congratulations go to **Grace Brown**. Grace will graduate from Mt. Mary University with a degree in Art Therapy.

Our Congratulations to the following Graduates:

**Anna Erving**

**Sommer Kramer**

**Coral Wilcox**

**Monday, July 31 -**

**Friday, August 5**

**9 am — 12 noon**

**Celebration Sunday**

**August 6**



# CHOIR!

## Adult & Kids Choir Schedules:

Adults—May: 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary.

Kids—May: 7th at 11:45 am, LL #106

Becky Brown, 214-4185

# NEXT STEPS

**Step 1—"Our Missions & Vision"** (1 s.) Sunday, May 7th at Noon, NC. Lunch is provided. Please sign up at the Welcome Center.

**Step 3—"Our Commitments"** (1 s.) Sunday, May 7th at 6:30 pm, NC. Please sign up at the Welcome Center.

Pick up a brochure at the Welcome Center.  
*Don't forget to sign-up!*

Saturday, May 6, 8 am



## PRIMETIMERS

Games & Lunch Tuesday, the 2nd of May. Meet at 10:00 with coffee and treats available. Feel free to visit or play a choice of table games. Light lunch at noon, free will offering.

The Primetimers also gather at the local Pizza Hut on the 3rd Friday, May 19th. Meet at 11:15 am for salad and pizza buffet at a nominal price. Reservations not necessary. Just come and enjoy the fellowship and lunch.

## NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER BREAKFAST Thursday, May 4th

Please Pray:

1. All of the guests and youth prayers would make it to the breakfast—no illness or last minute problems to keep them away
2. Volunteers would do everything unto the Lord—the diversity and unity of the body of Christ would be evident to all (12 churches are represented)
3. Community leaders would be impacted for Christ-believers encouraged, non-believers saved
4. God would be glorified

*We would like to offer our sympathy  
to Ann Foay. Ann's sister,  
Margaret Esch, passed away  
Wednesday, April 19th.  
May God comfort you and bless  
you with His peace.*



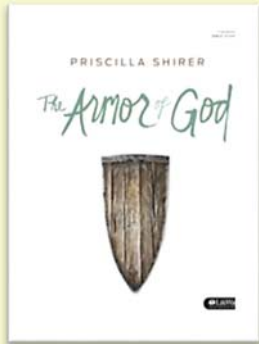
## Save the date!

The annual **Brewers Baseball** outing will be Monday, July 3rd vs the Baltimore Orioles. Everyone is invited this year: families, men, women, and children. The game is at 1 pm and we plan to leave church at 9 am.

Tickets are only \$10. We will tailgate before the game.

Any questions, contact Bernie Roidt at 558-3293.





## Summer Women's Bible Study

"The Armor of God" by Priscilla Shirer  
beginning June 7th, meeting for 7 weeks.

6:30–8:30 pm

Cost: \$13

Sign up at the Welcome Center!

"All day, every day, an invisible war rages around you — unseen, unheard, yet felt throughout every aspect of your life. A devoted, devilish enemy seeks to wreak havoc on everything that matters to you: your heart, your mind, your marriage, your children, your relationships, your resilience, your dreams, your destiny.

But his battle plan depends on catching you unaware and unarmed. If you're tired of being pushed around and caught with your guard down, this study is for you."



**Congratulations!**

Kyle and Amanda Ohlrich are the proud parents of this little guy — Christian Lee. Christian was born Saturday, April 22nd. He weighed 8 lbs. 4 oz. and was 20" long. He joins a brother, Jonah, and a sister, Violet, at home.



*We would like to offer our sympathy to Charles Kelley and his family. Charles' wife, Ruth Kelley, went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup>.*

*May God comfort you and bless you with His peace.*

## My Father's Daughter Retreat

MBC'S  
4<sup>TH</sup> Annual  
Young Ladies Retreat  
July 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>, 2017



Young ladies age 13 and up who are ready for the exciting adventure of knowing Christ Jesus more intimately are invited!

Begins Wednesday, July 26th at 11:30 am. Until: Friday, July 28th at 8:30 pm.

Monroe Bible Church, 2613 8th Ave., Monroe, WI

\$45 per girl before July 5th/\$50 after July 5th. Space is limited!

Send your check (made payable to Monroe Bible Church) and completed registration form to: Sarah Skelton; W5841 Old Argyle Rd Monroe, WI 53566

The registration form can be found online at:

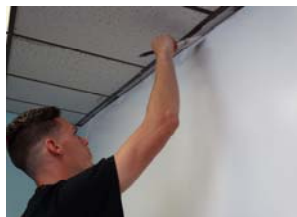
<http://myfathersdaughterretreat.blogspot.com> or you can pick one up at Monroe Bible Church or call/email and we will send one to you!

Questions? Call Amy Breuscher 608-577-8494 or email [breuscher@mac.com](mailto:breuscher@mac.com)



## MISSION:MONROE is gearing up for the spring/summer

**volunteer schedule. Specific dates and times are not yet available, so continue to look for updates in the bulletin, church emails, and the Mission:Monroe Facebook page. Organizations with which we can partner include: Family Promise of Green County, Habitat for Humanity, MACC (Monroe Area Clothing Closet), Bountiful Hope Farm, Care Net Pregnancy Center, and possible additional groups and individuals. If you have suggestions or ideas, please contact Carol Larson at [larson8@gmail.com](mailto:larson8@gmail.com) or call 588-1475.**



**MACC Orientation Mtg.**

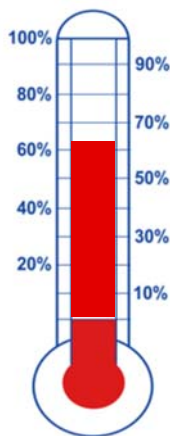
**Monday, May 8**

**5–7 pm**

**W5951 Patina Ln., Monroe**

## Missions Ministry

### Guatemala Mission Trip:



God is faithful and has provided 64% of our \$18,200 goal for our July trip! There will be a Special Offering taken on Sunday, May 21 for the Guatemala Mission Trip Fund. The offering will be taken during the last song in each of the Sanctuary services, and a labeled box will be in the Café service. The 2017 team includes Pastor Dan, Kris Young, Mike Westcomb, Helen Tuttle, Ruth Tuttle, Marissa Hurlbert, Lynne Hardy, Jesse Petersen, Jim Hurlbert, David Hurlbert, Jake Harder, Joram Hurlbert, and Wendy Westcomb (not pictured).



The Guatemala fund pays for the Mission Team's transportation, housing, and food; on the ground costs in Guatemala such as transportation and interpreters; and supplies for the work project and Vacation Bible School. This year we are partnered with Hebron Church in Itzapa City for the VBS. The team will help install a prefabricated wall around a piece of land where Oscar's ministry CTEN (Commission to Every Nation) will build a training center for pastors and church leaders.

Our last fundraising event is a Garage Sale in the Nehemiah Center June 1 & 2. We will accept donations from everyone, so start collecting items!! Items may be dropped off May 30 & 31 in the Nehemiah Center. Watch the church bulletin for times. Thank you to Deb Hurlbert for heading this!

### Papa Murphy's Night is Wednesday, May 24 from 10 am - 9 pm:

Papa Murphy's will donate 10% of that day's sales to the Guatemala PLAYGROUND Fund. You **MUST MENTION: GUATEMALA** for the donation to be made. Call 325-7272 to order ahead, and feel free to re-stock your freezer.

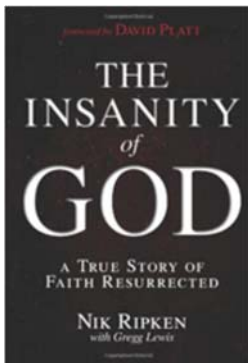


### Guatemala VBS Preparation Party **Saturday, June 10 from 9–11 am?**

Come when you can for however long you can to help cut, print, glue, assemble, etc. projects for the Vacation Bible School. Our theme this year is "The Wordless Book."

## MBC LIBRARY NEWS

New to the MBC Library!! Don't miss out on these highly recommended selections!



### Adult Nonfiction

#### ***The Insanity of God - A True Story of Faith Resurrected*** by Nik Ripken with Gregg Lewis

This book is the personal and lifelong journey of an ordinary couple from rural Kentucky who thought they were going on just your ordinary missionary pilgrimage, but discovered it would be anything but. After spending over six hard years doing relief work in Somalia, and experiencing life where it looked like God had turned away completely and He was clueless about the tragedies of life, the couple had a crisis of faith and left Africa asking God, "Does the gospel work anywhere when it is really a hard place? It sure didn't work in Somalia."

***The Insanity of God*** tells a story—a remarkable and unique story to be sure, yet at heart a very human story—of the Ripkens' own spiritual and emotional odyssey. The gripping, narrative account of a personal pilgrimage into some of the toughest places on earth, combined with sobering and insightful stories of the remarkable people of faith Nik and Ruth encountered on their journeys, will serve as a powerful course of revelation, growth, and challenge for anyone who wants to know whether God truly is enough.

### Adult DVD

#### ***The Insanity of God- A True Story of Faith and Persecution***

***The Insanity of God*** is the true story of missionaries Nik and Ruth Ripken. After the death of their son, this ordinary couple journeys into the depths of the persecuted church, asking the question - IS JESUS WORTH IT? Join the Ripkens as they tell the story of being taught by believers in persecution "how to follow Jesus, how to love Jesus, and how to walk with Him day by day even when it doesn't make sense."



### Adult Fiction

#### ***The Tutor's Daughter*** by Julie Klassen (Christian Retailing's BEST Award)

Emma Smallwood, determined to help her widowed father when his boarding school fails, accompanies him to the cliff-top manor of a baronet and his four sons. But soon after they arrive and begin teaching the two younger boys, mysterious things begin to happen. Filled with page-turning suspense, ***The Tutor's Daughter*** takes readers to the wind-swept Cornwall coast—a place infamous for shipwrecks and superstitions—where danger lurks, faith is tested, and romance awaits.

**Coming Up Soon** - several new children's and adult book selections will be introduced in the coming months. **Visit the MBC library often!**

## Remembering Wayne Scheppele

Wayne Scheppele passed away March 15th, 2017. A Memorial Tribute will be held at Peppercorn Banquets (1417 Mansion Drive, Monroe) Saturday, May 6th beginning at 1 pm for condolences followed by a 2 pm service.

Light refreshments will be served.

KIDS PAGE

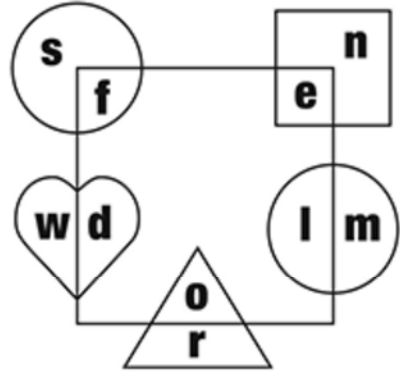


# GOD CARES FOR YOU!

Jesus tells his followers not to worry about their daily needs. What example does he give of God's care for his creation?

**Directions:**

To complete Luke 12:27 (NIV), match the shapes under each blank with the letter shapes shown to the right.



“Consider how the wild \_\_\_\_\_  
grow. They do not labor or spin.

Yet I tell you, not even \_\_\_\_\_  
in all his splendor was \_\_\_\_\_  
like one of these.” Luke 12:27, NIV



Make this craft to display a bit of springtime year-round!

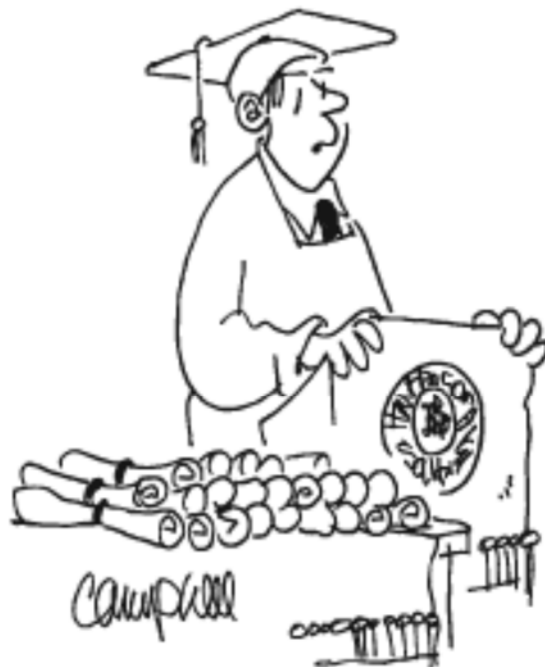
**What you need:**

- An old shirt
- Tempura paint (brown, dark pink, light pink and white)
- Paintbrush
- Light blue or white construction paper
- A paper plate
- Q-tips
- Paper towels



**What you do:**

1. Roll up one sleeve and paint your arm and the palm of your hand brown.
2. Lengthwise on the paper, carefully place your painted arm and hand, with fingers spread apart. (This is the tree trunk and branches.)
3. Place the other paint colors on the plate.
4. Using Q-tips, place dots of paint (blossoms!) all over the branches.
5. When dry, display your tree — or give it as a Mother's Day gift.



“You’ll never forget your high school experience, though grades indicate you’ve tried.”