

Arthur Sommerville – Society for Europe's Evangelism

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A BLESSED NEW YEAR!!

As we come to the close of another year, I want to again **thank** each one of you who have so faithfully prayed and have given to our ministry here.

If you are like me, you will be wondering if in this next year we will be caught up in the heavenlies to meet our Lord in the air. The more we study prophetic passages and the more we see the armies of the Enemy gathering around Israel, we feel that the rapture is very close to us.

More than twenty years ago, three couples who had just graduated from our Bible school started a church in a city called Lorient, in the west of France. Our evangelistic team has just returned from a four-day trip to help in the evangelization of that city. They distributed tracts, and also had good conversations where they talked to people about their souls. They finished their Sunday by giving their testimonies to the whole church, as well as preaching to the young people. The team always brings a blessing wherever they go, and they come back rejoicing with the blessing they had in return.

My greatest joy this past week was to lead to Christ the grandmother of a young man who is going to be baptized next Sunday. I also was able to lead a young man who is 25 years old to Jesus as well. Praise the Lord!

The church here in Paris went all out to celebrate my 95th birthday; not only did they have a meal for everyone, but also a wonderful program on a Saturday evening. Many of them brought presents of all sorts, but my favorite gift from a number of people were boxes of chocolate. The word has leaked out...I like chocolate! Believe me, they have more than satisfied my hunger.

May God bless you all!
Yours for souls in France,

Arthur Sommerville

Next Steps – Step 1 is Cancelled for Today, December 9th.

If you plan to go on the 2019 Guatemala Missions trip July 6-13th and haven't already attended one of the earlier meetings, you *must* attend Today's Final Informational Meeting at 11:50 am, in the Lower Level. Applications for the 2019 trip are due in the church office by Sunday, December 30th.

A "Gathering of Friends" ladies' event will be this Tuesday, December 11th from 7 pm – 9 pm in the Nehemiah Center. All ladies high school age and up are invited.



All are invited to a Christmas Open House at Watson's Home (W6750 Cnty. B) on Thursday, December 13th from 6 pm – 8 pm. Please join us for snacks and a sweet time of fellowship!



A short Children's Christmas Skit will begin each Service next Sunday, December 16th.

Wed, Dec. 19 is our Papa Murphy's Night Fundraiser. Papa Murphy's will give 10% of purchases to the Guatemala Playground Fund but you must mention "PLAYGROUND" in order for a donation to be made. This is a great time to stock up on those yummy pizzas and benefit a great cause!



MBC Community Blood Drive ~ Thursday, December 20th from 1-6 pm in the Nehemiah Center. Sign up at the Welcome Center to help.

LIFE GROUPS will be taking a break for the holidays beginning December 22, and resume January 6, 2019. If you have any questions, feel free to call or email me: 608-576-4046 or mnw3rdjohn4@1791.com Mike Westcomb, Ministry Leader

**Christmas Eve Services at Monroe Bible Church will be at
4:00 and 9:00 pm on Monday, December 24th.
Merry Christmas!**

Would you like more time to meet and visit with your fellow worshippers? Following the Gathering Service on December 30th there will be a "Cookie Fellowship" in the Nehemiah Center. Please bring cookies to share. Following the Cafe Service you are welcome to bring a sack lunch, and more cookies to share, to extend our time of fellowship. We look forward to seeing you there!



No Regrets Men's Conference ~ Men, if you think you may be interested in attending this conference on Saturday, February 2, 2019 at Elmbrook Church in Brookfield, WI, please contact either Kyle Ohlrich (719-439-1003) or Dan Keen (608-897-6926) to let them know. They are trying to gauge interest in this event.



Sunday, December 16

The Gathering 9 am & Café 10:30 am
Children's Christmas Skit ~ beginning of each Worship Service
Sunday School ~ 9 am
No Pipeline
MBC Library Open after each Service
Men's Study ~ 12:15 pm, LL #106
Ignite Christmas Party ~ 4-6 pm, at Watson's home (W6750 Cnty Rd. B)
Fusion Caroling ~ 5-7 pm, meet on the Square in Monroe

Monday, December 17

Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

Tuesday, December 18

Library Open ~ 10 am-Noon, & 1-3 pm
Board of Deacons Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #106

Wednesday, December 19

Awana: Trek & Journey ~ 5:30 pm, & Clubbers 3½ yrs. – 6th grade ~ 6:15 pm
Papa Murphy's Night, Missions Ministry ~ Mention "Playground" when ordering

Thursday, December 20

Blood Drive at MBC ~ 1-6 pm, NC
Good News Club Christmas Party ~ 4 pm, Parkside Elementary
Narcotics Anonymous ~ 7 pm, LL #102
Young Adults Study ~ 8 pm, LL #106

Friday, December 21

Primetimers Pizza Hut Lunch ~ 11:15 am, Monroe Pizza Hut

Sunday, December 23

The Gathering 9 am & Café 10:30 am
No Pipeline, Sunday School, Ignite, Fusion, or Life Groups ~ Christmas break

Monday, December 24

Christmas Eve Services

4:00 & 9:00 pm

Tuesday, December 25

Christmas Day

Merry Christmas!

Week of Dec. 9 – Dec. 15

Today, Sunday, December 9

The Gathering 9 am & Café 10:30 am
Sunday School ~ 9 am
Pipeline "Disciplemaking" ~ 9 am, NC
MBC Library Open after each Service
Last Guatemala 2019 Info Mtg. ~ 11:50 am, LL
No Next Steps ~ Cancelled
Men's Study ~ 12:15 pm, LL #106
Ignite Caroling ~ 4-6 pm, Meet at MBC
Fusion Christmas Party ~ 6-8 pm, NC

Monday, December 10

NC/K in use
Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

Tuesday, December 11

Library Open ~ 10 am-Noon, & 1-3 pm
Ladies Gathering of Friends ~ 7-9 pm, NC/K

Wednesday, December 12

Awana: Trek & Journey ~ 5:30 pm, &
Clubbers 3½ yrs. – 6th grade ~ 6:15 pm

Thursday, December 13

Women's Hebrews Study Concludes ~ 9:30 am, NC. Potluck lunch afterwards.
Good News Club ~ 4 pm, Parkside Elementary
Christmas Open House Party at Watson's home (W6750 Cnty Rd. B) ~ 6-8 pm
Narcotics Anonymous ~ 7 pm, LL #102
Young Adults Study ~ 8 pm, LL #106

Friday-Saturday, December 14-15

Guy's Fusion/Young Adult All-Nighter ~ 7 pm Friday, until 8 am Saturday

Prayer Focus – Finance Ministry
Ministry Leader – Ralph Johnson
Please PRAY:

- † Pray that Monroe Bible Church will see God working in their lives and respond to His call.
- † Pray that Monroe Bible Church will leave more for Him; including their time, their talents, and their finances.

Entire Bible	Family Plan
Lev 25, Job 9:1-20, Gal. 3	Ex. 3:1-22
Lev 26-27, Job 9:21-35, Gal. 4	Ex. 7:1-25
Num. 1-2, Job 10	Ex. 12:1-36
Num. 3-4, Gal. 5	Ex. 14:5-31
Num. 5-6, Job 11, Gal. 6	Ex. 16:1-31
Num. 7, 1 Thes. 1	

This Week
New City Catechism:
Part 1, Question 11



Card Shower ~ Our dear friends Ray and Becky Jones will be moving to Oshkosh, WI. Their Final Farewell will be Sunday, December 16th. They are as appreciative of everyone at Monroe Bible Church as we are of them. If you would like to give a card to Ray and Becky before they leave, there is a card box located on the table behind the Sanctuary.



CareNet has extended their thanks for blessing them with servers, desserts, and clean up help for the October Spaghetti Supper fundraiser. They are grateful for all who contributed!

Monroe Bible Church Office Hours the week of Christmas:

Closed Monday & Tuesday, December 24-25th.
Open Wednesday, December 26th ~ 8 am – 4 pm
Closed Thursday, December 27th.
Open Friday, December 28th ~ 8 am - Noon

Monroe Bible Church

December 9, 2018

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Radio Broadcast WEKZ – AM 1260 – 8:15 am
Sunday YouVersion Available
Wireless Network: MBCguest
Password: worshipping