

## June 2019

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## Monroe Iglesia Biblica



Perhaps you're wondering how it all came about that there is now a Hispanic worship service (Sundays 1:30-3:30 pm) and prayer meeting (Thursdays 6:00-7:30 pm) in our building. It really began about 20 years ago. I met Freddie Herrera through Roger and Chris Lindh. Chris had been Freddie's ESL (English Second Language) teacher and that developed into a close relationship that has continued through today. At that time, I told Freddie I had a heart for the Hispanic people in this area and would like to see a church service started here for them. Even though I've kept my eyes open, we never had the core group necessary to start something. Then about three years ago the Methodist denomination started a Hispanic service in the Monroe United Methodist Church building by having a Hispanic pastor drive here from Delavan.

Fast forward to April 4<sup>th</sup>. Freddie made an appointment to talk to me. He briefly related some of the struggles they were experiencing. He asked if they could use our building and meet here if they were unable to resolve the issues. I expressed not wanting to contribute to a church split and got some counsel from the Evangelical Free Church district staff. Freddie came back and sadly said they broke away from the Methodist denomination and they had told their leadership.

Our Elders invited Freddie and two other leaders from the group to meet with us. Upon hearing their personal testimonies and seeing their sincerity and humility, the Elders gave temporary permission to use the building while we explored what the future relationship might look like. The next Sunday there were over 40 people at their first worship service, and 16 at their first prayer meeting! They said numerous times we want to be part of MBC, and we want you and Pastor Troy to be our pastors. They have committed their Sunday offerings to us and humbly said, "You can tell us what to do." They have a strong desire to reach the Hispanic population in our area and asked for a little help from us. We printed invitation cards for them and are announcing their services in our publications. Each Sunday there has been one or two new families joining them.

What does this mean for us? Let me suggest three things. 1) It means relationships. Paul wrote to the Thessalonian church, "Now as to the love of the brethren, you have no need for *anyone* to write to you, for you yourselves are taught by God to love one another;<sup>10</sup> for indeed you do practice it toward all the brethren who are in all Macedonia. But we urge you, brethren, to excel still more," (1 Thessalonians 4:9-10, NASB). It can feel awkward to try relate to someone of another culture and language. They experience the same fear and discomfort. It's important that we extend the love of Christ to them, and in a non-condescending way! Paul also wrote, "For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.<sup>27</sup> For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.<sup>28</sup> There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus." (Galatians 3:26-28). 2) It means sharing. They brought nothing with them. They pooled together their personal monies to buy a drum set. Think about what God has given us in terms of our resources. There is now an additional ministry using our facility. This may cut into some of our access times and will make scheduling a higher priority. 3) It means ministry support. Not only will we need to give access to our building and properties, kitchen, and copier, etc., but more importantly we will need to give support and encouragement to these brothers and sisters.

Where is this going from here? Obviously, we are not able to see the future. There are MANY details that will need to be worked out. This we do know, we are all called to make disciples - and that's what these brothers and sisters are passionate about doing. An opportunity to join God in what He is doing has been dropped in our lap. Let's enthusiastically join Him!

For the Kingdom,  
 Pastor Dan

*Pastor Dan*





# June '19

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>Visit the Library — Each Sunday after Services!</b></p> <p>These ministries are on Summer Recess: Sunday School, Pipeline, Ignite &amp; Fusion</p>	<p><b>Lost &amp; Found</b> items at MBC will be displayed the <b>first Sunday</b> of each month in the Nehemiah Center.</p>					<p>1 Men's Fishing/Boating at Yellowstone Lake - Main Dock—8 am</p> <p>No Men's Breakfast</p> <p>Men's Study will resume in Fall</p>
<p>2 <b>Worship Services:</b> The Gathering 9 am &amp; Café 10:30 am</p> <p>Iglesia Biblica Service - 1:30 — 3:30 pm, NC</p> <p>Lost &amp; Found on display/NC</p> <p>Next Steps—Step 5 (s.1), 6:30 pm, LL #102</p>	<p>3 Prayer Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102</p>	<p>4 Library Hours: 10 am- Noon &amp; 1-3 pm</p> <p>Primetimers Lunch &amp; Games - 10 am—1 pm, N/KC</p>	5	<p>6 Iglesia Biblica Prayer Mtg.~ 6 pm, LL #101</p> <p>6:30 pm—8 pm, NC</p> <p>Financial Peace Class concludes</p> <p>NA - 7 pm, LL #102</p>	<p>7 NC in use (wedding reception decorating)</p>	<p>8 NC in use all day - Wedding reception</p>
<p>9 <b>The Lord's Table</b></p> <p><b>Worship Services:</b> The Gathering 9 am &amp; Café 10:30 am</p> <p><b>Ferreri Farewell Open House - at Watson's 12 pm—3 pm</b></p> <p>Next Steps—Step 1, Noon, LL #106</p> <p>Iglesia Biblica Service - 1:30 —3:30 pm, NC</p> <p><b>Garage Sale Set up</b></p> <p><b>Ignite Bonfire &amp; S'mores with Lena E Free Youth, Meet at MBC 5:15 pm</b></p> <p>Next Steps—Step 5 (s.2), 6:30 pm, LL #102</p>	<p>10 Garage Sale Drop off/ Set up - 9 am—4 pm</p> <p>Prayer Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102</p> <p>Elder Board Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #106</p>	<p>11 Library Hours: 10 am- Noon &amp; 1-3 pm</p> <p>Garage Sale Drop off/ Set up - 11 am—7 pm</p>	<p>12 Garage Sale Drop off/ Set up - 9 am—5 pm</p>	<p>13 Garage Sale Fundraiser - 8 am—6:30 pm, NC</p> <p>Iglesia Biblica Prayer Mtg - 6 pm, LL #101</p> <p>NA - 7 pm, LL #102</p>	<p>14 Garage Sale Fundraiser ~ 8 am—3:30 pm, NC</p>	<p>15 Awana Honors Camp—June 22nd</p> <p>Monroe Islesia Biblica worship rehearsal - 4 pm, NC</p>
<p>16 <b>Father's Day</b></p> <p><b>Worship Services:</b> The Gathering 9 am &amp; Café 10:30 am</p> <p>Iglesia Biblica Service - 1:30—3:30 pm, NC</p>	<p>17 Prayer Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102</p>	<p>18 Library Hours: 10 am- Noon &amp; 1-3 pm</p>	19	<p>20 Blood Drive - 12:30 pm—6 pm, NC</p> <p>Iglesia Biblica Prayer Mtg - 6 pm, LL #101</p> <p>NA - 7 pm, LL #102</p>	<p>21 Primetimers Pizza Hut Lunch - 11:15 am</p>	<p>22 Guatemala Craft Preparation Party - 9 am, NC</p> <p>Monroe Islesia Biblica worship rehearsal - 4 pm, NC</p> <p>Awana Honors Camp concludes</p>
<p>23 <b>Worship Services:</b> The Gathering 9 am &amp; Café 10:30 am</p> <p><b>Guatemala Team Meeting - 12:30 pm, LL #106</b></p> <p>Iglesia Biblica Service - 1:30—3:30 pm, NC</p>	<p>24 Prayer Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102</p>	<p>25 Library Hours: 10 am- Noon &amp; 1-3 pm</p> <p>Board of Deacons Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #106</p>	26	<p>27 Iglesia Biblica Prayer Mtg - 6 pm, LL #101</p> <p>NA - 7 pm, LL #102</p>	28	<p>29 Men's Wisconsin River Canoe Trip—8 am light breakfast before Leaving at MBC</p>
<p>30 <b>Men's WI River Canoe Trip</b></p> <p><b>Worship Services:</b> The Gathering 9 am &amp; Café 10:30 am</p> <p>Iglesia Biblica Service - 1:30—3:30 pm, NC</p>						

- 1 Brenda Rossing
- 2 Joyce Coplien  
Parker Ferreri
- 3 Logan Ferreri
- 5 Kathy Krauss  
Lyla Ritschard
- 6 Alexis Elgin  
Joan Haight  
Steven McNett
- 7 Henry Morris
- 8 Becky Thoman
- 10 Vicki McNett
- 11 Olivia Rhoe
- 12 Ezra Kramer  
Tracy Petersen  
Luke Skoumal



- 13 Gloria Ringhand
- 14 Jady Elgin  
Chris Holverson  
Patrick White
- 16 Ashley Bruehlman  
Katie Demianiuk
- 19 Noah Eddy  
Carol Hasselmann  
Jennifer Krahenbuhl  
Lucy Whyte
- 20 Gianna Ferreri
- 21 Roger Stauffacher
- 24 Deandra Pleindoux
- 28 Andy Thoman
- 29 Judy Derrickson



2 Adam & Chelsea Brunner

4 Erik & Amy Haworth

6 Tim & Sherry Thomas

10 Milt & Suzette Sherman

13 Roman & Luba Dechtiarenko

15 Jim & Becky Brown  
Charles & Julie Champlin

17 Paul & Anna Ritschard

18 Dan & Celia Keen

19 Al & Colleen Ostenson

21 Ralph & Margie Johnson

25 Ron & Chris Faith

27 Kyle & Amanda Ohlrich



*We would like to offer our sympathy to the Dale & Lynn Klitzke family and the Keith & Penny Ferreri family. Dominic Klitzke passed away Sunday, April 28th.*

*Our sympathies go to the Mark & Flaimide McNett family, the Jeff & Vicki McNett family, and the Steve & Gritley McNett family. Dorothy McNett, their mother, passed away on Friday, May 10th.*

I am currently re-reading the book "Prayer Coach". Recently several people have purchased this book. Many have told me that "Prayer Coach" is a great book and has helped them in their prayer life. There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center if you would like to order the book. I will be placing another order in a few weeks, as all of the copies from the last order have been purchased.

Paul and Epaphras were in prison and while they were there they prayed for the church. Read Colossians 1:9-14. What a great prayer to pray. Prayer changes things. God wants us to communicate with Him. Be encouraged to share prayer requests with each other.

You are welcome to join us at prayer meeting on Monday evenings at 6:30. If you can't join us at the church for prayer, send me a text to let us know you are praying at home. My cell # is 608-897-6926. It will encourage those at prayer meeting.

For those 35 years of age and younger, send me a text on how the prayer ministry could best meet your needs.

Let's make it a priority to pray for others, especially for our pastors.

Dan Keen, Prayer Ministry Leader



### Andrew Adrian Brunner

Congratulations to Paul & Andrea Brunner! Andrew Adrian Brunner was born on May 21st. He was 9 lbs. 11 oz. and 22" long. Andrew joins a sister, Emmalynn, and a brother, Oliver, at home.



### FERRERI FAREWELL OPEN HOUSE

Come say Good-bye to the  
Ferreri Family

Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> between 12 – 3 pm at the  
Watson's Home (W6750 County B, Monroe).

Please bring lawn chairs to sit on.

A light lunch, cake, and ice cream  
will be provided.

Everyone is Invited!



**Monroe Bible Church**  
**Nehemiah Center**  
**Thursday, June 20**  
**12:30 pm—6 pm**

Online sign up:  
[www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org)

## NEXT STEPS

Next Steps—Step 5 (session 1):  
“On Mission”  
Sunday, June 2 ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102  
Learn about the importance of  
mission—local and international.  
*Sign up at the Welcome Center!*

## NEXT STEPS

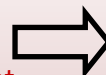
Next Steps—Step 5 (session 2):  
“On Mission”  
Sunday, June 9 ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102  
Learn about the importance of  
mission—local and international.  
*Sign up at the Welcome Center!*

## NEXT STEPS

Next Steps—Step 1 “Our Mission & Vision”  
Sunday, June 9th at 12 pm, LL #102

The mission of the church is made clear in Matthew 28:9-20. The vision defines how the local church goes about bringing glory to God and making disciples. Learn what our vision is and how you can become a part of it. Lunch will be provided. Sign up at the Welcome Center.

Three **CRISIS EMERGENCY KITS** have been purchased and are distributed throughout MBC. These kits are for use during critical situations. They ARE NOT to be used or tampered with otherwise. Kits include hemostatic gauze, tourniquets, entry/exit wound skin gauze, hemorrhage bandage, scissors, splint compression gauze, and gloves. Kits are identified with the label to the right.



**Kits are located:** 1) Upper Level Kitchen Cupboard by exit to hallway door 2) By the Defibrillator in the Narthex 3) Lower Level Workroom on south wall coat hook

### Save your gently-used items! Playground\* Benefit Garage Sale - June 13-14, 2019

Bring only gently used items. Please test all electrical appliances; we aren't able to take old TVs.

**\* Garage Sale to raise funds for a KATW (Kids Around the World) Playground in Guatemala**

Your help is welcome and greatly needed all week! Even a few hours is a blessing.

- - Trucks, trailers, and lifting labor are needed Monday, Tuesday, and Friday
- - Volunteers are needed to sort and price items on Tuesday & Wednesday

Sunday, June 9 – begin donation drop-off (time TBD)

Monday, June 10 – donation drop-off and set-up 9 am—4 pm

Tuesday, June 11 – donation drop-off and set-up 11 am—7 pm

Wednesday, June 12 – donation drop-off and set-up 9 am—5 pm

**Thursday, June 13 SALE: 8 am - 6:30 pm**

**Friday, June 14 SALE: 8 am - 3:30 pm**

Friday take-down/clean-up: 3 pm until done – workers, trucks & trailers needed!



Please sign up to volunteer – this is a **massive undertaking** – knowing there will be help available is crucial.

Contact Deb Hurlbert, 325-3430.



### EFCA Affiliation Questions?

The Elders have recommended that Monroe Bible Church affiliate with the Evangelical Free Church of America. They sent a letter to all our members and regular attendees in March stating this with some of the reasoning. They've also held two Town Hall style meetings for clarification and congregational input. The Elders realize that some in the congregation were not able to attend one of those meetings, or may not have felt comfortable asking questions there, so congregants are now encouraged to contact an Elder with any questions or concerns they have regarding this recommendation. You can pick up a copy of the letter, and the EFCA Statement of Faith at the Welcome Center if you like. The Elders want to hear from you! The current Elders are Jason Elgin, Chris Holverson, Scott Larson, Kim Markham, Bernie Roidt, Mike Westcomb, Jeff Wunschel, and Pastor Dan.



### \*\* Playground Project

Starting June 10, lightly used donations will be accepted for the **June 13 & 14 Garage Sale** held in the Nehemiah Center. Proceeds will go to the Playground Project. We have currently raised \$13,656 of the \$15,000 goal. Once the funds are raised, the plan is to send a team to install the playground in Guatemala in summer 2020. Please sign up at the Welcome Center to help with this giant garage sale undertaking. If you have any questions, contact Deb Hurlbert @ 608-325-3430.

### \*\* Guatemala Mission Trip



We have currently raised **\$20,736.35** towards the \$24,000 goal of this year's trip. There will be a **Special Offering** taken on Sunday, June 9th at each service following the Lord's Table. Thank you so much for your support!

**The 2019 Team includes:** Bailey Gruber, Gabi Ils, Wendy Westcomb, Andrea Wilson, Jesse Petersen, Ruth Tuttle, Helen Tuttle, Kim Foesch, Ariel Foesch, Kim Markham, Adam Brunner, Jim Hurlbert, Chuck Chladil,

Mike Westcomb, Rick Haworth, and Dan Krahenbuhl. The team leaves July 6 and returns July 13.



The team is in need of help preparing the crafts for the Vacation Bible School, mostly cutting tasks. We will hold a **Guatemala Craft Prep. Time** on Saturday, June 22 at 9:00 am in the Nehemiah Center. If you have a favorite scissors or cutting board, feel free to bring it!

If you are **interested in joining Missions Ministry**, we meet monthly to pray for MBC sponsored missionaries, manage monthly support, meet special financial needs of our missionaries and in the community, and hold our fall Harvest Weekend. Please contact the church office, or Lynne Hardy at 328-2064 with questions.

## Summer Plans – And Your Marriage!

Spring has finally arrived! And the warmer temperatures and outdoor activities of summer have many of us excited and busy making special plans.

We hope that everyone has a safe and wonderful summer making great memories with family and friends. Please don't neglect your precious gift from God, and the most special person in your life, your spouse.

Sometimes we have the tendency to overlook the things we are the closest to and take for granted those people and things we are around every day.

So before you finalize those details for a vacation and special activities of summer, remember to discuss and make plans for a regular date night on your busy calendar. Since many of the Life Groups take a break during summer, you could replace your Life Group time with a date.

Have a great summer!



## You Lost, We Found

Sunday, June 2nd

The first Sunday of each month all lost and found items will be displayed on a table in the Nehemiah Center.

Any items not claimed will be donated.

Please check the table to see if anything belongs to you.



Ignite Youth will join the Lena E Free Church youth for a bonfire and s'mores on June 9th. Leaving MBC at 5:15 pm and returning about 9:30 pm. Bring a friend, nerf gun, your outdoor 'stuff' - games, bug spray, etc.

Contact Pastor Troy with questions (316-640-9946) and to get permission slips.

## Women's Summer Bible Study "It's Not Supposed to be This Way" by Lysa Terkeurst.

Wednesday Evenings, 6:30-8:30 PM  
July 17 - August 21, Nehemiah Center

Sign up at the Welcome Center.

\*Attendees must purchase their own workbooks!

Christianbooks.com has the book half off right now. A lot of places carry it online like Amazon, Christianbooks, Barnes & Noble, etc.

Any Questions, please contact: Helen Tuttle (608-473-2951), or Jenn Chladil at (608-636-4852).

## No Men's Breakfast: Saturday, June 1st

In lieu of the breakfast Saturday June 1st, men are invited to come to Yellowstone Lake in Argyle, WI to fish/canoe/boat.

I'll be there at 8 am at the main boat landing. Bring snacks if you'd like.

The Men's Study is taking a summer recess and will resume again in the Fall.

## Men's Annual Wisconsin River Canoe Trip

will be June 29 & 30. Sign up at the Welcome Center! Featuring: June 29<sup>th</sup> light breakfast at MBC, lunch on your own, dinner provided in evening. June 30<sup>th</sup> breakfast and lunch provided.

Contact Kyle Ohlrich, Men's Ministry Leader, at 719-439-1003 with questions on any of these events.



All are invited to a Brewers outing on Wednesday, July 17<sup>th</sup>. Game time is 1 pm as the Brewers take on the Atlanta Braves. We will be leaving MBC at 8:30 am. Cost is \$21 per person. We will be carpooling from the church. We'll be tailgating before the game. A sign-up is at the Welcome Center. Any questions, contact Bernie Roidt at 608-558-3293.

**PRAISE GOD FOR HIS  
MIGHTY DEEDS!  
ONLY GOD COULD...**

**NATIONAL  
DAY OF  
PRAYER**

- Bring over 50 community leaders together in one place at one time
- Raise up 44 youth to commit, prepare, and pray for them (at 6:30 in the morning)
- Involve pastors and youth from 10 different churches in the body of Christ
- Provide over 20 volunteers to help, from set-up to clean-up
- Build meaningful relationships between the church and the community
- Make all of it have eternal value

*"Thank you again for a wonderful Day of Prayer Breakfast! To be honest, it is one of my favorite days of the year. The joy of being in a room with so many faithful young people really makes it all so special. May God continue to bless you in the work you do!"*

*"Thank you so much for the invitation. This was the first year it worked for my schedule and it was such a wonderful experience. I'm so grateful I could attend and truly appreciate the effort made by all to make it so special!"*

*"Thank you to all of you that organized this event. I really enjoyed it and loved that I had the privilege of being matched with a student from my building! Please extend my appreciation to your entire group!"*

*"The prayer breakfast was very worshipful and well done. Good job. Thank you for inviting us."*

*"Thank you for the wonderful Prayer Breakfast. I look forward to it each year and consider it such a blessing to gather with the community for prayer and the enjoyment of each other's company. I certainly appreciate the labor of love it is for you and so many others."*



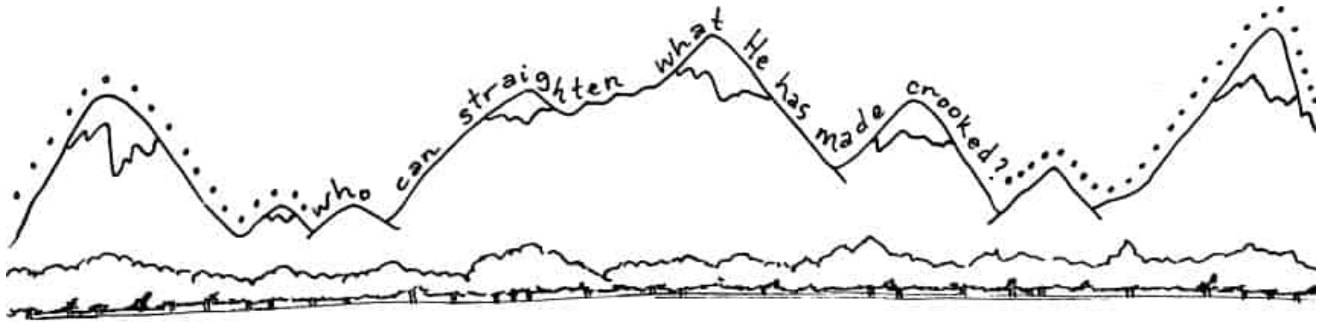
**2019**



**"Love one another just  
as I have loved you."  
John 13:34**



# Kids Page



REMEMBER YOUR CREATOR



IN THE DAYS OF YOUR YOUTH...

- Books of the Bible  
Old Testament
- Genesis
  - Exodus
  - Leviticus
  - Numbers
  - Deuteronomy
  - Joshua
  - Judges
  - Ruth
  - 1 Samuel
  - 2 Samuel
  - 1 Kings
  - 2 Kings
  - 1 Chronicles
  - 2 Chronicles
  - Ezra
  - Nehemiah
  - Esther
  - Job
  - Psalms
  - Proverbs
  - Ecclesiastes
  - Song of Solomon OR Song of Songs
  - Isaiah
  - Jeremiah
  - Lamentations
  - Ezekiel
  - Daniel
  - Hosea
  - Joel
  - Amos
  - Obadiah
  - Jonah
  - Micah
  - Nahum
  - Habakkuk
  - Zephaniah
  - Haggai
  - Zechariah
  - Malachi

## Ecclesiastes 3

Q O M B W Z A H N D L N H N R E X  
 X U P Q D T S Z W O P Q F I O C D  
 B Z E C A E P E P I U A F A K C A  
 B W E A N P S J I Z R H Q G F L T  
 Y F H J C B Y R S H P E P L E E Q  
 Z N F V E G I Q A Z O L C I M S S  
 R Y X Z W X I I P G S T G G B I Y  
 Q U G W E E P Y O P E N J S R A X  
 X U N Q B B J A C E N Z K Y A S Y  
 S Q E U W K B R D F O X S Z C T Z  
 A E O Q F W Q I S E S Y C A I E V  
 Z G N A S G X S S N A K N B N S Y  
 Y S G O R S S O T Z E C R Q G C L  
 J G C D T C L U W R S S U E V Z U  
 N I Z B X S H J G A G P O M X P G  
 B U L L M Y X U G V F Q M I I I V  
 N V P X R W C K W Y H V S T O X U

weep            time            stones            sew  
 season        purpose        peace            mourn  
 lose            gain            embracing        ecclesiastes  
 dance