Arthur Sommerville Society for Europe's Evangelization (SEE)

As I dictate this letter my heart is filled with prayers to my Lord particularly for His faithfulness and His protection. I say this because had it not been for His Divine protection, I would not be dictating this letter, but would be with my Lord in glory.

On the 6th of February I was near the back entrance of the church when all of a sudden I felt almost like a hand was pushing me backwards and I couldn't stop until the back of my head hit a metal ladder and opened up a gash. I laid there on the floor, knowing that my head was bleeding and that I could not get up. Happily, I had my telephone and tried to get help. After an hour and a half on the floor, help did arrive and I soon was in the ambulance on my way to the hospital. There they closed the wound and after many questions allowed me to return. That very morning, I read a verse from a Christian calendar that said "For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee." (Isaiah 41:13). I had no broken bones, never was unconscious and realized that it was the Lord's hand of protection.

This was not the first time that Satan tried to take my life though the Lord allowed him to test me. God made it clear to Satan that He was not to take my life! It all started when God was calling me into His service. I remember as a teenager, I was in a tree with others, there was a long saw leaning on the tree with the teeth upwards. Suddenly, I was falling! If I had fallen completely, it would have cut me in two, but one of the persons behind me in the tree saw I was falling, grabbed me and pulled me back.

Another time, I was hit by a car when I was on my bicycle. The driver of the car behind saw the accident and said that I was knocked two times higher than the car and that I fell on my head. The driver figured I was dead, but when he saw I was alive took me straight to the hospital. After checking me out, the doctors said there was nothing wrong with me and that I could go home. Once again, I could only say it was the Lord's hand that saved me.

There's not enough room to cite other cases, but what is clear to me is that when Satan tried to take my life, God has permitted him to touch me, but not to take it. Now, more than ever I call daily unto the Lord to open that great door that will enable us to challenge all of Paris and even the country of France. We want to see the Lord glorified in this unbelieving country and souls saved! Please join us now in this prayer request.

May God particularly bless each and every one of you!

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Elder & Deacon Recommendations - The Constitution and Bylaws of Monroe Bible Church allow the congregation to recommend the names of those whom they believe are qualified and able to serve as an Elder or Deacon of the church. Our annual process is underway. You may pick up a recommendation form at the Welcome Center. There is no need to recommend those individuals who already serve. If you would like to recommend someone as an Elder or Deacon, recommendations must be received in Pastor Dan's mailbox, located in the Lower Level Workroom, by **Sunday, April 5**th.

NEXT STEPS #4

"Our Equipping"
Session #2 – TODAY at 9 am
Lower Level Room 100

Pick up a <u>2020 Next Steps</u> brochure at the Welcome Center

We would like to extend our sympathy to Cindy and Ed Demianiuk and family. Cindy's father, Ray Rouse, passed away Tuesday, March 3rd.

Go to our church website (monroebiblechurch.org) for all of our current Sign-Ups (Next Steps classes, Blood Drives, Life Groups...)

Available soon on Chromebook at the Welcome Center!

<u>Women's Book Club</u> - "Don't Call Me Beautiful" books now available in the Library.

Israel Bible Tours Presentation

Friday, March 13 7 – 8:30 pm, Sanctuary

All are welcome to join us as Israel Bible Tours presents tour information regarding Israel 2020. If you've been thinking about going to Israel or just want to know more about traveling to Israel you'll want to attend! To learn more, go to the link:

https://www.facebook.com/events/8681 17883628750/ Women's Ministry - Crossroads
Community Church of Monroe would like
to invite all ladies of MBC to the "Going
Beyond" Simulcast with Priscilla Shirer
on Saturday, April 25th. Doors open at
8:15 am and the event begins at 9 am.

Deadline to sign up is Friday, March

13th! Cost is \$45, which includes a boxed lunch & refreshments. The event concludes at 3:45 pm.

You may sign up online at crossroadscn.com/sisters For more information, contact Kim at 328-3160.

March

Sunday, March 15

The Gathering 9 am & Café 10:30 am Sunday School ~ 9 am Pipeline class ~ 9 am, NC Iglesia Biblica Worship ~ 2 pm, NC Ignite ~ 4 - 6 pm, LL #106 Fusion ~ 6 - 8 pm, LL #106

Monday, March 16

Missions Meeting ~ 5:30 pm, LL #106 Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

Tuesday, March 17

Library hours ~ 10 am – Noon

Wednesday, March 18

Awana: Trek/Journey ~ 5:30 pm, & $3^{1/2}$ Yrs. -6^{th} grade ~ 6:15 - 7:50 pm

Thursday, March 19

Iglesia Prayer ~ 6 pm, NC NA ~ 7 pm, LL #102

Friday, March 20

Primetimers Pizza Hut Lunch ~ 11:15 am Iglesia Worship Practice ~ 5:30 pm, NC

Saturday, March 21

Iglesia Worship Practice ~ 5:30 pm, NC

Sunday, March 22

Easter Lily Ordering Deadline! The Lord's Table

Monday, March 23

Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

Tuesday, March 24

Pleasant View Service ~ 9:30 am Library hours ~ 10 am – Noon Board of Deacons Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #106

Week of March 8-14

Today, Sunday, March 8

The Gathering 9 am & Café 10:30 am Sunday School ~ 9 am

Pipeline class ~ 9 am, NC

Next Steps – Step 4 (s. 2) ~ 9 am, LL #100

Iglesia Biblica Worship ~ 2 pm, NC

Ignite ~ 4 - 6 pm, LL #106

Fusion ~ 6 - 8 pm, LL #106

Monday, March 9

Elder Board Mtg. ~ 6:30 pm, LL #106 Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

Tuesday, March 10

Library hours ~ 10 am - Noon

Wednesday, March 11

Awana: Trek/Journey ~ 5:30 pm, & $3^{1/2}$ Yrs. – 6^{th} grade ~ 6:15 - 7:50 pm

Thursday, March 12

Iglesia Prayer ~ 6 pm, NC NA ~ 7 pm, LL #102

Friday, March 13

Iglesia Worship Practice ~ 5:30 pm, NC Israel Bible Tours Presentation ~ 7 – 8:30 pm, S

Saturday, March 14

Iglesia Biblica Women's Meeting ~ 3 pm - 9 pm, NC/K

<u>Prayer Focus – Pipeline Ministry</u>

Ministry Leader: Pastor Troy

Please Pray:

- 1. We have just finished a Pipeline session on Marriage and as we know, Marriage is hard work and requires lots of Biblical love and grace. Please pray for our marriages at MBC. Some are in a season of difficult relationships with their spouses. Pray also for the couples who have children and are an example to the next generation. Protect our homes, our marriages, and our children as we make decisions and work on healthy relationships with our spouse/future spouses.
- 2. Pray for our present class which will shed light on the topic of "Why so many gods?" We will be looking at our pluralistic society and discuss and wrestle with the many idols and gods we have created in the name of freedom of worship, how to engage our society, and the next generation, and we will take a deeper look at a few of the gods that are greatly impacting us today. Pray for good attendance and what our next steps might look like right here in Monroe and our surrounding communities.
- 3. Pray for future topics within the Pipeline as we approach summer and look ahead to fall class topics.

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<u>Pipeline Class</u>: Does it distress you to live in a society that has so many gods & idols? It troubled the Apostle Paul. We are starting a new study <u>Today</u>, <u>March 8th</u> entitled "<u>Why so many gods</u>?" In a day in which our neighbors, friends and our families are seeking answers to life, there are a limitless number of gods from which to worship. Over the next couple of months, we will look at a handful of the gods that our society is becoming enslaved to. In class we will view and read video and written articles, as well as look at the Biblical texts that our faith holds as the Word of God. Plan to join

us as we join Paul when he gave this statement to a confused society in Acts 17:3, ""This Jesus I am proclaiming to you is the Messiah..." Join us in the Nehemiah Center at 9:00 am today. Bring a Bible!



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Senior Pastor Dan Krahenbuhl Associate Pastor of Family Ministries Troy Watson

Sunday Worship "The Gathering" 9 am & "Café" 10:30 am Radio Broadcast WEKZ – FM 95.5 & AM 1260 – 8:15 am Sunday YouVersion Available Wireless Network: MBCguest Password: worshiphere

