



Brian & Barbara Thompson – United World Mission

Sincere gratitude is what we're feeling right now as we give thanks to God for providing us with housing when we return to the United States in May. We have been offered a place to live in northern Illinois for several weeks, and then we'll be transitioning to Chattanooga, Tennessee in mid-June where we have been offered housing through First Baptist Church of Hixson. The house has ample space for Chloe and Sarah, and is just 15 minutes from where Chloe's soon-to-be in-laws live in Red Bank. We'll be living there until after Chloe and Connor's wedding on September 14, at which time we'll take Sarah to Seattle for college. We couldn't be more grateful! It's an exciting time! Chloe is preparing to graduate from Taylor University on May 23rd, and Sarah is finishing her 2nd quarter at Seattle Pacific University. 2020 continues to be a year of transition for us, and we are looking forward to slowing down a bit this summer to rest, pray, and also help Chloe and Connor with their wedding plans.

Of course, we'll miss the home in which we've been living for the past six years, but our landlords have asked us to move out so that they can paint and renovate, then put the house on the market. They assured us that if the house hasn't sold when we return, we are welcome to move back in. We will miss this place we've called home. We cherished our time here as a family, remembering God's goodness to us in this home, but then also looking ahead to the next season God has for us.

Brian has one of the best seats in the house streaming video for ICSB's annual basketball tournament. More than 1000 viewers watched the 22 games that were streamed over the course of three days in mid-February. This is a significant outreach at our school and we were blessed to host teams from Russia, Ukraine, Romania, and Czechia.

We've been having fun with an English drama club that has been meeting since September. One of our close friends returned to the US in February after more than six years on the field, so that left us with an opening in our teaching team. We have about 10 boys who regularly show up and I thought it would be GREAT if Brian would step in to work with the students, especially the boys. They need good role models in their lives, and Brian is quite the actor! Our production is *Tom Sawyer* which has also been culturally interesting for our Hungarian students. They're learning a bunch of Southern slang that is completely, grammatically incorrect - LOL - but so much fun!!

Together with nine other women at Riverside Church Budapest, I am facilitating a discussion of the book "Emotionally Healthy Spirituality" by Peter Scazzero. One of the rich challenges is diving in to a book with women from Hungary, Ghana, Kenya, Bulgaria, and the United States. We all come from so many different backgrounds and contexts! It's truly a blessing to watch how God is working in each of our lives.

You are a significant part of the work in Europe and we don't take that for granted. Thanks for your friendship, prayers, and the discipline you model when you faithfully give to the Lord's work through us in Europe and Hungary.

With Gratitude,
Brian & Barbara, Chloe & Sarah

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 5th**.

Primetimer's Pizza Hut
Birthday Lunch
Friday, March 20th
11:15 am, Monroe Pizza Hut

Pleasant View Service
Tuesday, March 24th
9:30 am.
Volunteers Welcome!

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!

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

Free Family Movie Night at 18 & 8th!

We are pleased and excited to announce the 1st Family Movie Night at 18 & 8th! Saturday evening, March 21st, we will be showing the family friendly movie "UP".

Doors open at 5:45 pm. Movie starts at 6:30 and will finish around 8:15 pm. Popcorn and water will be provided.

Help us get this information out into our community and surrounding area by personally inviting your neighbors, co-workers, friends, and family. See you at the movies!



Women's Workshop – Come & learn Biblical solutions to find freedom & hope in healthy relationships! "The Christian Codependence Recovery Workbook: From Surviving to Significance" is designed to help you find who God created you to be. 7-9 pm Mondays, begins May 11th. Contact Tracy Signer to sign up: 214-4976, tracynhy7@gmail.com
Pick up an information sheet at the Welcome Center or see March newsletter for details!



Sunday, March 22

Easter Lily Ordering Deadline!
No Lord's Table today
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 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

Wednesday, March 25

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

Thursday, March 26

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

Friday, March 27

VBS Leader's Planning Mtg. ~ 4 pm, LL #100

Iglesia Worship Practice ~ 5:30 pm, NC

Saturday, March 28

Iglesia Worship Practice ~ 5:30 pm, NC



Saturday, April 4

Next Steps-Step 1 ~ 8 am, NC (Breakfast Provided)

Sunday, April 5

Elder/Deacon Recommendation deadline

Week of March 15-21

Today, 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. – 6th 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

Rm. #106 in use ~ 2-4 pm, Iglesia

Biblica

Iglesia Worship Practice ~ 5:30 pm,

NC

Movie Night ~ 6:30 pm, 18 & 8th

Prayer Focus – Life Groups

Ministry Leader: **Pastor Dan Krahenbuhl**

Please Pray:

- Each group will grow as a caring community
- Each group will be fruitful in disciple building
- More people will join a group

Pipeline Class: Does it distress you to live in a society that has so many gods & idols? It troubled the Apostle Paul. We've started a new study entitled "**Why so many gods?**" 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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Monroe Bible Church

March 15, 2020

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

