National Day of Prayer Goes On! Thursday, May 7th (Without the Breakfast)

The COVID 19 virus pandemic has changed and even stopped many things, but it will not stop the 2020 National Day of Prayer Event!

Due to social distancing guidelines and restrictions on large gatherings many adjustments had to been made, but in God's perfect timing and during this very unique and challenging time, we will continue to "<u>Pray</u> <u>God's Glory Across the Earth"</u>. Young children and youth from our MBC families have prepared special prayers for families, schools, business, ministries, media, and government. Each of our special guests will be sent an email containing a link to a pre-recorded video time of prayer for them. Our congregation will also receive an email video link. We have seen God work through the relationships we build through this special event. Our outreach through prayer will go on and it is making a difference.

Monroe Bible Church, You are Invited!

Since we can't gather in person, the annual National Day of Prayer in Monroe will be in a different format. We are inviting everyone in our congregation to join us this year for the National Day of Prayer. Let's fan the flame of prayer in a "Prayer Pandemic" in our local communities to *Pray God's Glory Across the Earth*!

An email with an attachment of the National Day of Prayer **Drive-By-Prayer guide** has gone out to our congregation. Contact the church office if you haven't received it, or look for the guide on our church website. We're inviting you to drive around your community and Pray! You can do this individually, with your family, or coordinate with your Life Group and friends and follow each other in your cars to participate in parking lot or roadside prayers following the Drive-By-Prayer guide.

Also, on May 7th at 7:00 pm Central Standard Time, the National Observance time of prayer will be aired on Daystar, God TV, Facebook Live, and the NDP website (nationaldayofprayer.org).



Welcome Baby! Congratulations to Peter & Katelin Rische on the birth of their son, Simon Gray Rische, on Friday, April 24th. Simon weighed 9lbs., 9 oz. and was 22" long. He joins big sisters Lillie, Heidi, & Ellie at home. May God bless your family!

<u>Church League Softball</u> - If you would like to sign up for the Monroe Bible Church summer softball league please call Bob Hauri at 608-426-0432. We're looking to begin playing at the end of May. Stay tuned for more details.

Missions Ministry Updates – Due to the coronavirus quarantine, our **OneMeal** packing event scheduled for May 2nd was cancelled. Whether it will be rescheduled later this year is currently unknown. The **Guatemala Mission trip** to construct a *Kids Around the World* playground is currently "on hold" to see what happens with the pandemic. The playground arrived in Guatemala, but whether our team will be able to travel there in July remains to be seen. Guatemala is currently under quarantine just as we are here in the U.S. and most of the mission trips scheduled with Oscar Chiquito for this summer have already been cancelled. The support that has been donated will be available either for this July or, if the trip is cancelled, for next year's trip. More details will come as things develop.

<u>Awana Club</u> is closed for the rest of the spring 2020 club year and we will not be hosting an Awards Ceremony. The plan proposed is to have an awards recognition at the start of the next club year. We will be relying heavily on parents or guardians to help clubbers finish sections and be allowed to sign-off for them when completed. Leaders are available to answer questions by phone, Zoom, Facebook, or whatever works to encourage and help. We want to recognize all of the kids' hard work. Contact Jim Hurlbert with any questions, 608-325-3430.

The Family "Get Outdoors" Contest

Get your family outside a minimum of 3 different times and take photos or videos. Document your family on a bike ride, fishing trip, gardening, playing games, or whatever you like to do together outside. Make a 2-3 minute photo or video collage and send it to:

<u>pastortroy@monroebiblechurch.org</u> by June 1st. Prizes will be awarded to the top two submissions in June. Get creative and have fun with this! Check out the main page on our church website for a video and more information from Pastor Troy on this contest.

~~~~~ Observing the Lord's Table ~~~~~

You do not have to be a member of this church to partake with us. We ask only that you are a member of God's family (see below), and that you are not harboring unconfessed sin (1 Cor. 11:27).

We hold each element until all have been served, then take it together. Parents have the responsibility to determine if their children should partake.

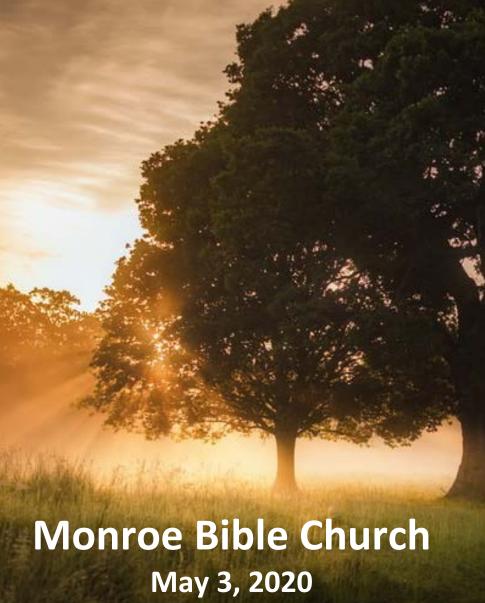
Have you personally become a member of God's family? Here's how:

- Admit you are a sinner who deserves God's just
- condemnation of sinners (Rom. 3:23; 6:23).
- Believe that Christ died on the cross to take the punishment for your sin
 - (Rom. 3:24-25; 5:8).
- Call on Christ to be your personal Savior and grant you forgiveness and eternal life
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(Rom. 10:9, 10).



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Sunday Worship Service Live Streaming on YouTube at 9:00 am Radio Broadcast WEKZ – FM 95.5 & AM 1260 – 8:15 am (previous week's sermon)