We would like to offer our sympathy to Kim Foesch & her family. Kim's dad, Don Noble, passed away Friday, July 3rd.

May God Bless you with His comfort and peace.

Attributes & Names of God

The purpose is so that we can memorize and meditate on the character of God. This week, our 3rd in the series, is the letter 'C'.

Creator

"Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth does not become weary or tired. His understanding is inscrutable."

Isaiah 40:28 (NASB)

Congratulations Joan Coppes retiring after 30 years of service in the Monroe Bible Church Office!
Stay tuned for details of a recognition celebration coming.

Upcoming Events:

<u>Israel Trip</u> - it isn't too late to join the group going to Israel in November. If travel restrictions are in place, the trip will be rescheduled for next year.

Outdoor Baptismal Service & Picnic - Saturday, July 25th at 2 pm we're having a baptismal service at the Richland Creek first, followed by a picnic potluck with our friends of Iglesia Biblica at the Clarno Forestry Center. Sign up at the Welcome Center or on our church website if you would like



to be baptized, or see one of the Pastors. Please bring a main dish and a salad or dessert to share. Tacos and drinks will be provided as well. *Keep in mind that there is no refrigeration and minimal electricity at the Center for food. Bring coolers with ice to keep your food adequately chilled, and bring your lawn chairs or blankets to sit on. Everyone is invited to attend!

<u>Child Protection Training Required (3 part process)</u> – Don't' wait! For most of you, your child protection certifications expire either this month or August. Monroe Bible Church requires annual certification training for everyone who works with youth in any capacity, with background checks done every four years on adults.

July

Today, July 12 – Worship Services at 9 & 10:30 am Iglesia Biblica Worship Service, 2 pm, NC

Mon, July 13 – Prayer Meeting, 6:30 pm, LL #102

Tue, July 14 <u>or</u> **Sat, July 18** – VBS Leader Training, 10-Noon, NC (attend one)

Wed, July 15 - Sr. Life Group, 1 pm, NC

Thur, July 16 / Mon, July 20 / Thur, July 23 – VBS: hand out flyers, from 4-6 pm each of these days, meet at church Iglesia Prayer, 6:00 pm, NC

Fri, July 17 – Iglesia Biblica Worship Practice, 5:30 pm, NC

Sat, July 18 – VBS Leader Training, 10-Noon, NC Iglesia Biblica Worship Practice, 5:30 pm, NC

Sat, July 25 – Baptism & Picnic at Clarno Forestry Center, 2 pm

Sun, July 26 - Lord's Table

Annual Congregational Meeting, 12:15 pm, S

Greeting Ministry - We are in desperate need of greeters for both services. If this is an area of ministry you would like to become involved in please contact Kathy Markham, Greeting Ministry Leader at kmarkham872@gmail.com 608-558-5001. Thank you for considering.

AV Ministry is looking for people of any age with the ability to be on a rotating schedule (so you'd need your own transportation), some amount of availability on Sundays, and some basic computer skills. That's it, that's all you need! Training will be provided. If you want to be part of a great team for this exciting and vital ministry, contact Scott Turkelson at 608-576-0440, or the church office at 608-325-3966, and we will get you started.

Annual Congregational Meeting – Sunday, July 26 at 12:15 pm in the Sanctuary. The Agenda, last year's Minutes, the Treasurer's report, and Ministry Leader Annual Reports are all at the Welcome Center. Pick up your copy today.

Church League Softball



July 17th - *Note: Browntown Field (Schedules at Welcome Center)

	Team 1	Team 2	Ump.
7:00 pm	Gratiot EFC	Potter's House	MBC C
8:00 pm	Faith Baptist	MBC C	Potter's House
9:00 pm	Family Faith	MBC B	United Methdst.
10:00 pm	United Methdst.	MBC A	Family Faith

Oscar & Karla Chiquitó, Impacting Guatemala Network - IGN

It has been more than one hundred days that the Guatemalan government has put people in confinement, curfew from 6 pm to 5 am (Monday-Saturday), and curfew Sunday the whole day. The country has 19,011 positive COVID-19 cases and 817 dead. It looks like the peak of the curve is not reached yet, since positive cases are still increasing. It is uncertain when the country will be open so all businesses can operate again (at this moment only "essential" businesses can operate and other businesses need special permissions). Praise God that in the middle of uncertainty, the Chiquitó family is doing well. Emily and Oscar E. continued to take online classes. They are busy and doing well in school. They sometimes get frustrated because of the lockdown, but the crisis gives opportunities to the family to be creative so they can do fun things together.

Oscar & Karla continue to provide marriage counseling to a friend couple, and are also providing counseling for one of their nephews who is struggling with depression and anxiety. A sad situation for the family happened a few days ago, the husband of one of Oscar's aunts died from COVID-19. The good news is that God is opening opportunities to share the Gospel and to provide encouragement to the grieving family.

Oscar is having online meetings with the different IGN pastoral networks to pray together, to provide resources, to do follow-up on past trainings, and to promote discussions on the past, present, and future of ministry. Some things that have been discussed are: what God is teaching His people during this crisis? What is ministry success? Is ministry success attractive programs, big budgets, large congregations, or buildings? How can leaders better serve God's church? Oscar has found during this crisis that, churches where pastors have preached the Bible, have promoted and encouraged the congregation to study the Bible, and have invested in developing small Bible study groups, are doing much better and still growing spiritually compared to other churches.

Besides serving pastors, Oscar continues to meet with his international partners and accountability partners to encourage, challenge, and pray together. Karla continues to be involved in the women's ministry at Los Olivos Church. They often meet online to pray together, encourage to each other, and talk about their challenges.

Praise God for His protection over the Chiquitó family.

Pray for God's protection and provision over his people worldwide.

Pray that God's people would strength their faith and use this crisis as an opportunity to share the Gospel.

Oscar & Karla Chiquitó family

