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The Heartbeat





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A Prayer for Back to School

Dear Lord.

We come to you today with expectation. As it becomes back to school season there is much hustle. stress, and anxiety. But we come to you today looking for peace of mind, excitement, and happiness. Worry and fear are not from you, and we command them to go in Jesus' name.

As the children go back to school, we KNOW that You will be with them. Watch over our children, place protection over them. The world may try to keep you out of the schools, but we KNOW you are with them in so many ways. No rule or law can keep you from being with them.

Bless the teachers and the staff, Lord. Let their love for children shine through and touch others hearts. They are doing Your work, whether they know it or not, and I pray that Your light shines through. Help them provide not just academics for the children, but love, social emotional skills, and a safe and loving place that the children need.

Bless this school year abundantly. Lord! With friends, laughter, encouragement, and JOY! Fill all those who are preparing to head back with smiles and enthusiasm. Place the people that they need in their lives to make the 2025–2026 school year a wonderful success. Grant them the support they need and an abundance of blessings as they prepare to enter another academic year! In Jesus' name. Amen!

A teacher in your hands, as a shepherd of little hearts:

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Joshua 1:9 "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

Philippians 4:6-7 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Testimony Time

"When I first started writing poetry, they were about evil beings and death. It wasn't until I got saved around 1995 that my poems changed. I had asked God to let me use my pen for praise, and He did!

Now, my poems are about the glory of God. I felt I had a new purpose in life. I never know in advance if my poems are going to become a song. I just write the words and the tune will come to me. Seen here is my latest song."

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1) Dear Lord Jesus 3	Dear Lord Jesus
I need You To help me with	I need you And Your blessings
All I've been through	I veed too To everyone
I weed Your light To guide my way	I will relay
I weed for Josus	You are my Lord I will obey
3) Dear Lard Jesus	4) Dear Lord Jesus
I Need You With everything	I weed you And yes I know
That I do I call upon	It to be true That You are with me
Your wane today	Everyday
Help me Lord So I don't stray	To trust and pray
	I just need to 7

-Pam Davenport

5 Ways to Support Students and Staff this School Year

- 1. Volunteer to help with class or school events, such as class parties, books fairs, or back-to-school night!
- 2. Adopt a classroom. Have a small group "adopt" a classroom by praying weekly for the students and teacher, sending small supplies or goodies, or offering help with classroom prep.
- 3. Thank you basket or treat cart for staff members. Add a cute note with thanking them for all they do.
- 4. Create ""blessing boxes" or care packages. Gather items that students and teachers need such as note books, pencils, gift cards, sticky notes, etc.
- 5. Support the school custodians and cafeteria staff! Don't forget the huge role they play each day, they deserve goodies and appreciation too!

Send testimonies to kmarie5893@gmail.com

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Impact Youth (Youth Ministry) 7th-12th grade:

Youth are asked to sit in the back pew during Worship and are released around 11am to class!

Children's Ministry: Time travel is such an exciting concept to imagine! If we could hop into a time machine and visit the past, we might be surprised by how much has changed—and how some things stay exactly the same. One thing we'd discover is

that God's love and faithfulness are timeless. In this 5-week series, kids will explore how God's messages to us never

change, no matter the time or place. They'll learn that God's love is timeless, we can seek God any time, God is good all the time, God takes the time to forgive, and God is with us at all times.

MEMORY VERSE: "He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart." — Ecclesiastes 3:11a (NIV)

Mens Ministry: Welcome, brothers, to this month's Building Strong Men event! We're thrilled to bring you updates, inspiration, and opportunities to grow in faith and fellowship. Join us on August 9th at 9:30 AM for an exciting morning with our special guest, Nick Hoty, founder of Holy Enterprises, who will share his journey and insights on entrepreneurship through a lens of faith. Let's come together to learn, connect, and inspire one another as we pursue God's calling in our lives and communities. Stay tuned for more event details and updates!

Food Pantry: The drive thru pantry is August 24th from 3-4. Also every Friday morning produce is available starting at 8am. Donations are needed for jelly and jams! Please utilize the box in the lobby to give your donations!

"The Table" discussion group- Meets every Wednesday starting at 6pm. ALL are welcome as we cover the tough questions!

Clothes Closet: Every first Saturday of the month from 10am-1pm and every third Friday of the month from 8:30am-11:30am during produce giveaway. Donations for clothes and hangers welcomed! Clothes can be dropped off on Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 10am until noon. Do not leave outside as we will not be able to accept the items.

Women's Ministry:

Women's Ministry Field Trip August 23rd 9AM-5PM. We will be carpooling to The Biblewalk Museum in Mansfield, OH. Approx cost is \$13.50 for two guided tours. Pack a brown bag lunch for an onsite picnic. Detailed flyer & sign up sheet in the lobby. www.biblewalk.us

Have you said a pray for your secret sister recently? Have you let her know you are thinking of her with a simple card or gift? Only a few months left before the reveal. If you are not involved with Secret Sister, please consider being a part of this for 2026. More info to come

There will be no scheduled Women's event for September. Get those kiddos settled into school and relax during the last month of summer.

Young Adult Bible Study: Meeting on every other Thursday in the Youth Ministry room at 5:30! We are currently fasting the day of study if you would like to join us in doing so.

Evening Service: Every Sunday at 6pm. In need of more musicians for worship! Contact Ben Hall for more information!

Wednesday Night Bible Study: Meets every Wednesday at 6pm.

Let's Talk women's group: CANCELED FOR THE SUMMER! Will resume sometime in September!

Wednesday Morning Men & Women's Bible Studies: Every Wednesday at 9:30am-10:30am. Women meet in fellowship hall, Men meet in conference room. Women have breakfast fellowship the 4th Wednesday of each month!

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Important Dates!

• 8/3: No kids church

• 8/15: Community Block Party 2-5pm

• 8/31: Family and Communion Sunday

LOOKING AHEAD!

 September 19th: "Pray for my Hood" concert event featuring "Sevin" and "Dog Mob"

 October 11th - 12th: Fearless with Robin Lewis. Saturday at 6pm and every Sunday Service!







NOTICE

Due to lack of volunteers and the amount of kids we have been having in kids church we will be putting a max on how many kids can be in each room. This is to help volunteers keep kids safe and be able to teach. Thank you for your understanding.

August

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					8am Produce Giveaway	2 10am-1pm Clothes Closet
3	4	5 6:30pm 12-Step Discipleship Class	9:30am Bible Studies 6pm "The Table" group 6pm Bible study 6pm Faith Based Support Group	7	8 8am Produce Giveaway	9:30 Men's Breakfast
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