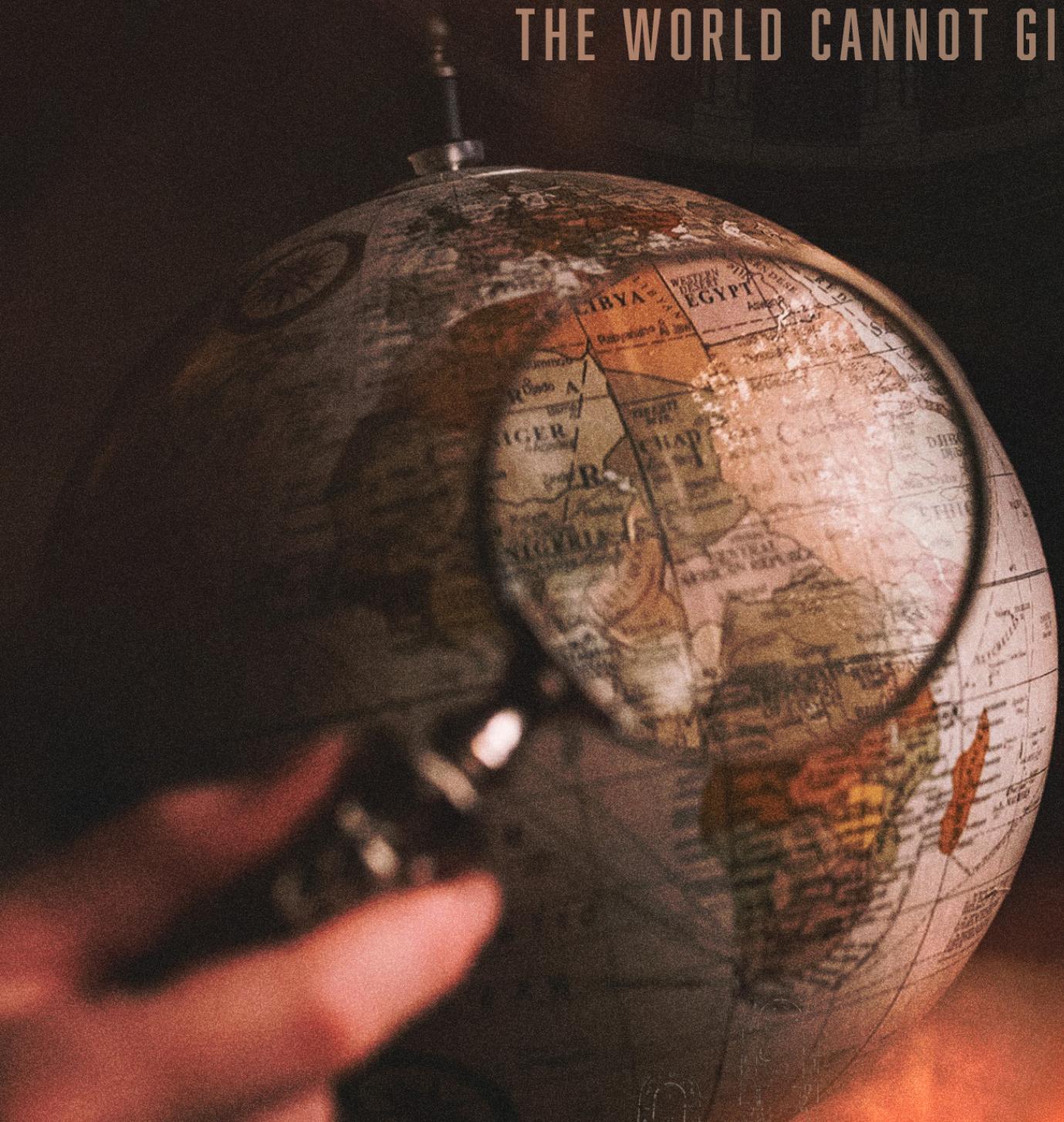


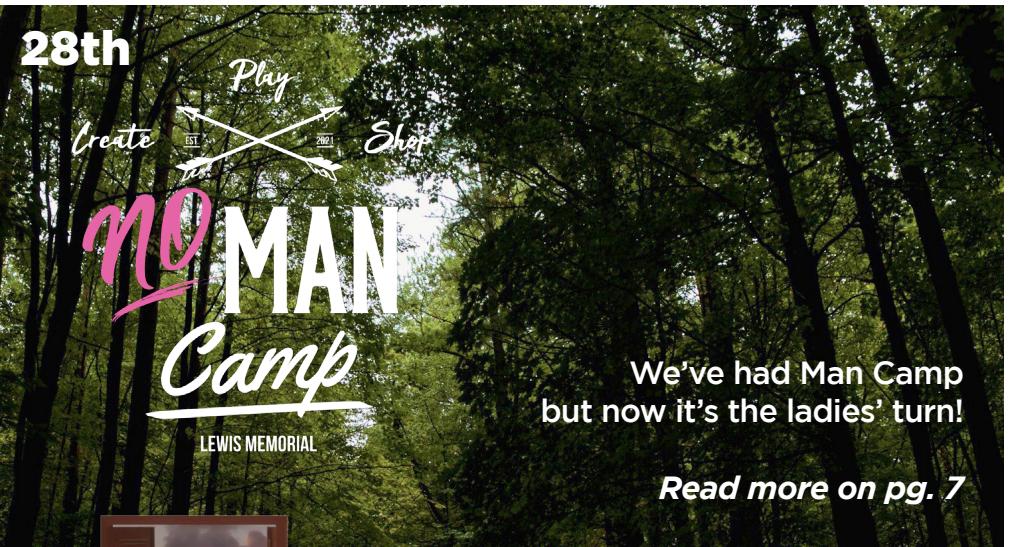
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## Can't be here in person?

Join us live Sundays at 9 & 10:45 am on Facebook, lmhc.tv, or our LMBC app.

## Also this month:

**20th**

### PrimeTime Event

- 6 pm, Renaissance Room

This month's dinner is covered dish, so bring your favorite food to share and join us for a special guest and fun fellowship.  
RSVP to Vida (304-617-7231) or Blanche (304-634-9512), or the church office

**22th**

### Choir Practice Resumes

- 5 pm, L112 (WC)

## Music Auditions

[lmhc.org/audition](http://lmhc.org/audition)

We are looking for more musicians interested in serving with the music team and also for our upcoming Christmas programs. If you would like to audition to be a part of the team, simply visit [lmhc.org/audition](http://lmhc.org/audition) to tell us more about yourself. We also ask that you send an audition recording to [music@lmhc.org](mailto:music@lmhc.org). More info can be found online.



## Sunday Mornings WC lower level

- 1: Running the Race
- 8: Paul Before Rulers
- 15: Paul's Shipwreck
- 22: Brothers in Christ
- 29: Children of God

## Kids ages 3 - 5th grade

Visit [lmhc.org/lkc](http://lmhc.org/lkc) or ask to join our [Facebook group](#)

## Wednesdays @ 7pm in the FLC

- 4: Lesson night
- 11: Lesson night
- 18: Lesson night
- 25: Back to School Carnival



## Wednesdays @ 6:45pm

- 4: Bonfire
- 11: Back to School Feast
- 18: Back to School Kickoff

## Middle - High School Grades 6-12

[youtube.com/c/refuelstudents](https://youtube.com/c/refuelstudents)

## Mondays @ 1pm

- 2: Prayer Lab



Rehearsals for the LKC Christmas Musical, Jesus is the Reason for the Season, will begin August 22 at 6 pm in the LKC Room, 107. All children in Pre-K4 through 6th grade are welcome.



## Want more insight from your Bible reading?

You can watch our Rooted podcast on [lmhc.org](http://lmhc.org) or the LMBC app. Each week, our pastors analyze the selected scriptures to bring out additional insights.



**Jesus**  
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26th Hebrews 12:3-17  
27th Hebrews 12:18-29  
28th Hebrews 13:1-25  
29th OFF  
30th Dan. 7:13-28; Zeph. 3:8-20  
31st Joel 3:1-21

**“Revival of a nation, should God be pleased to grant it, begins in the church.”**

# LORD, SPARE OUR LAND

*How Revival  
Begins in  
America*

by: Greg Morse, a Staff Writer for desiringGod.org

As I walked into the coffee shop, I thought I had wandered into a painting. Vibrant blues, and greens, and yellows, and oranges were displayed all over the store. Tie-dye shirts on every employee, banners strewn overhead. Why the celebration? Before I had time to ask, I saw the back of one of the rainbow-colored shirts: “PRIDE.”

The rainbow, the sign of God’s covenant to Noah, promising never again to drown the world of sinful men with a flood, the drawn bow pointed up at the heavens, now used as a mascot for sexual deviance. Though our nation champions Sodom’s sins, we have not learned from Sodom’s censure (2 Peter 2:6). We receive advertisements for sins that bar millions from the kingdom of God (1 Corinthians 6:9-10), as we order our morning coffee.

Of course, homosexual sin is just one of the many abominations to which our nation lends colorful support. Heterosexual sins of fornication, adultery, and pornography saturate our television shows, movies, and the magazines lining our checkout lines. Half-naked women whisper from

billboards driving to work. Shower scenes come unbidden in commercials and pop-up ads. The indoctrination of transgenderism confuses and abuses many children.

While our societies are flooded with proud corruption, Christians sometimes wonder what can be done.

We need to confront the darkness surrounding us, but along with cultural engagement — above cultural engagement even — stands the need for us to define and cultivate the purity of the church. In this we can learn a hidden secret from the intercession of Abraham for Sodom and Gomorrah: Fire fell on Sodom not only because of the thousands of brazenly wicked people, but because there were not even ten righteous among them.

## **When God Counts to Ten**

The story is well-known in the church. God discloses his decision to destroy the twin cities of Sodom and Gomorrah to Abraham because God plans to make him into a mighty nation that would bless other nations. He would command

his household and the next generation to walk in righteousness and justice — a righteousness these two wicked cities had not known (Genesis 18:18-19).

After hearing of the judgment that would fall upon Sodom and Gomorrah, Abraham asks the Lord,

Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will you then sweep away the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? (Genesis 18:23-24)

God agrees not to destroy the cities if there were fifty.

Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking. Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five? (Genesis 18:27-28)

God agrees not to destroy the cities if there were 45.

With reverence, Abraham moves from 45 to 40 to 30 to 20 to just 10. God receives the mediation: “For the sake of ten I will not destroy it” (Genesis

18:32). He was willing to spare an entire, unholy city from destruction for the sake of just ten people.

## **Spared for the Sake of One**

But ten were not found.

And Abraham went early in the morning to the place where he had stood before the Lord. And he looked down toward Sodom and Gomorrah and toward all the land of the valley, and he looked and, behold, the smoke of the land went up like the smoke of a furnace. (Genesis 19:27-28)

Abraham climbs the mount expectantly. Had God spared the city? He looked and saw it ablaze.

Indeed, we know of only one definitively: Lot, the nephew for whom Abraham had pled. Had Lot perished in the fire of the wicked? Had Abraham’s intercession been for nothing?

No, Genesis tells us in great detail how God saved Lot. Angels went to the city and commanded him to flee with those of his house. And even when he lingered, they physically grabbed him and his

family by the hand and “brought him out” for “the compassion of the Lord was upon him” (Genesis 19:16 NASB). His story is a lasting example, reminding us that even while unholy cities go down in flames and sin, “the Lord knows how to rescue the godly from trials” (2 Peter 2:9).

For Lot's sake, a small town was also spared. Zoar (i.e. “little”) is the place where Lot is permitted to flee for refuge from God's wrath. Abraham's intercession had not failed; the righteous was not swept away with the wicked, as the text makes clear:

So it was that, when God destroyed the cities of the valley, God remembered Abraham and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow when he overthrew the cities in which Lot had lived. (Genesis 19:29)

Cities fell for lack of ten who followed the Lord, but the righteous man was spared, along with his little town, because of the intercession of a faithful mediator.

## Where God Begins

Revival of a nation, should God be pleased to grant it, begins in the church.

As we take thoughts captive to obey Christ, we must not forget to obey him ourselves. How easy it becomes to hate other men's sins more than our own; a nation's drift more than the church's. For the past two thousand years, it has been the “time for judgment to begin at the household of God” (1 Peter 4:17). And if God sees fit to begin at the household of God, so should we. Is this not the focus of all our New Testament letters?

Our gaze should turn first within, on the vitality of Christ's church, and this can and will be a blessing for a nation. Our God has, in history, spared nations — or at least Zoars — for the sake of his righteous few.

## What Might God Do Now?

Isn't it amazing that God orchestrates his world, including the rise and fall of nations, with such a consideration for his people?

The Christian church, even when abused or ignored, is the backbone of any land. God rules the world in consideration of their good (even when their “good” includes refining fires of persecution, 1 Peter 1:6-7). His curses and blessings, his ways, and his mysterious acts of providence, all serve his own glory and the eternal benefit of his people — neither impeding the other.

Yet we can feel so small, so insignificant, so powerless. Perhaps we believe ourselves a dutiful afterthought of a God busily lording the world. We can look at the celebrities, the wealthy, the elite, and think that they hold all the influence.

But while great men in expensive suits make great speeches about important decisions, the Monarch of mankind bends his ear to little children. He who holds the hearts of kings in his hand (Proverbs 21:1) considers how all decisions will affect them.

Should we not rightfully believe that the command center of this world, the place where real influence is wrought, is in the secret place of faithful Christian living? Even evil Queen Mary knew this when she confessed, “I fear John Knox's prayers more than all the assembled armies of Europe.”

If God spared the lives of many for a few, if the heroic efforts of individual men, through faith, “conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight” (Hebrews 11:33-34) — what might a praying, loving, waiting, expecting church do in a nation like ours?



by Greg Morse

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That's right ladies it's our turn! This camp day is just for you - no men allowed! Come spend the day with us starting at 10 am in the SMB with guest speaker, Diana Grounds, followed by a time of fellowship and lunch. Then, it's off to Create, Play, and Shop at the camp. There will be something for everyone, including a bazaar for shopping; creative sessions like Board and Brush, tie-dying, and potted plants; and of course some outdoor activities where you can throw axes or take part in a color-war or some simpler games like corn-hole. It's all free. However, you must register for the event.

You can register at [lmhc.org](http://lmhc.org) or by calling the church office at 304-736-7676. To receive a camp t-shirt, pre-register by August 16.

If you would like to reserve a table for a product that you \*sell, please fill out the form at [lmhc.org](http://lmhc.org) or call Angie in the church office at 304-736-7676. Reservations are limited and are on a first come first serve basis.

\*This is not a fundraiser so all proceeds are yours to keep.

Register and sign up for a table at [lmhc.org/nomancamp](http://lmhc.org/nomancamp)



**D**ark, ominous clouds of God's threatening judgment loomed over the city of Nineveh. This was the second time in Old Testament history that God would send a prophet to the city to warn the residents of the wrath of God that would overtake them.

About 150 years earlier, God sent the reluctant prophet, Jonah. After spending three days and nights in the belly of a great fish, he delivered God's message to Nineveh, resulting in the people repenting in sackcloth and ashes, and the city was spared from God's impending condemnation.

This second time, however, there would be no repentance, and there would be no one spared. Judgment was for certain. This time God sent the prophet Nahum to Nineveh, and the prophecy that he wrote has very little in it that we would find comforting. Instead, the vast majority of this small book is full of frightening, discouraging, and down-right depressing chapters of divine retribution.

Toward the beginning of the book of Nahum, there is, nonetheless, one of the most comforting thoughts about a loving God, who is good, who is a protector, and who knows His own. "The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; and He knows them that trust in Him." (Nahum 1:7) We can find great comfort in these three thoughts about our God, even when it seems like all hell is raging against us.

The Lord is good! This is, perhaps, one of the most common starting points in our childhood understanding of God. We read in Romans 2:4 that it is the goodness of God that leads us to repentance. The ending of Psalm 100 gives a reason for all the joyful thanksgiving that saturates that Psalm by saying, "For the Lord is good." That goodness is seen in His character and His care for His people. "His mercy is everlasting, and His truth (often translated as faithfulness) endures unto all generations." (Psalm 100:5)

He is a stronghold in the day of trouble! Over and over in the Psalms, God is called a fortress, a refuge, or a stronghold. For example, Psalm 46 starts with this statement, "God is our refuge

and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear...." Martin Luther put it this way "A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; Our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing."

He Knows them that Trust in Him! King David was musing over the omniscience and the omnipresence of God when He wrote Psalm 139. "O Lord, You have searched me and known me. You know when I sit and when I rise; You perceive my thoughts from afar." Psalm 139: 1-2

To me, these three phrases from Nahum 1:7 are like a three-legged stool. A God, who is not good, would not care enough to protect us from the onslaughts of life, and consequently, there would be no comfort in His omniscience. Without His all-powerful protection, He might know us well and be sympathetic to us, but He would be unable to help us. If He is all-powerful and loving, what good would that be to us if He didn't know us, being completely unaware of our plight in this life?

Since God is good, loving, and faithful to His own, He will protect us, and because of His omnipotence, He is more than able to do so. Furthermore, because He knows us, He is aware of our every need and will provide for us and keep us safe from any adversity or adversary.

God not only possesses all of the qualities of the three phrases describing Him in Nahum 1:7, but He also does so in ways that are far beyond our comprehension. So, as His children, we can rejoice and confidently face an uncertain future, remembering that "He is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble, and He knows them that trust in Him."



by Nathan McClay

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# MISSIONARIES OF THE MONTH

## IN NORTH AMERICA

Trey & Terri Bailey, USA (SCORE)

Tim & Diane Bilbrey, USA (DBMI)

Harry & Lydia Boekell, USA (Children)

Jenn Morla, Dominican Republic

A New Beginning Crisis Pregnancy Center

Daystar Baptist Mission, Inc.

Jake & Elizabeth Delich, Puerto Rico

Benji & Kerri Dryden, Haiti

Matt & Dallita Goins, Honduras

Becky Hale, USA (North Dakota)

Gary & Alli Hale, Dominican Republic

Ruth Hale, USA (DBMI)

Doug & Paula Hodges, D.R. & Honduras

Huntington City Mission

Chris Katulka, USA (Friends of Israel)

Tom & Selva Kweder, USA

Patrick & Lisa McCoy, USA (Alaska)

Miguel & Noemi Mercedes, Dominican Republic

Randy & Ellen Mumper, Canada

Gerald & Marguerite Pauley, Canada

Dan & Jennifer Post, Canada

Nathan & Erin Sayre, USA (Children)

Jason & Sarah Sayre, Dominican Republic

Jerry & Sue Thomas, USA

Nathaniel & Stacy Wall, USA (Mormons)



# NEWS FROM THE MISSION FIELD

For more missionary updates, go to [imbc.org/missionary-updates](http://imbc.org/missionary-updates)



### URGENT PRAYER NEED



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### DARIN & KATHY ISHLER

On July 12 we received an email from Darin Ishler who is serving on the field in Kenya. He expressed need for urgent prayer - in the following message: *Last week former President Jacob Zuma was imprisoned. This has sparked riots and protests across our province. Grocery stores and malls have been looted. Major roads have been blocked and travel is unsafe. All local shops and businesses are closed. - Please pray that God will intervene and quell these protests quickly. Thank you - Darin Ishler*



### URGENT PRAYER NEED

### BENJI & KERRI DRYDEN

On July 7, the morning of the assassination of Haiti's President, we received word from our missionaries, Benji & Kerri Dryden, letting us know that they were safe in the states. They reported that they are currently on furlough and are preparing for several weeks with family and friends. They wrote of their heart break over the news of the assassination and asked that we pray with them as they monitor the situation and stay in contact with their "precious ministry family".



### CHANGES, PRAISE, & PRAYER

### TOM & MARILYN WILSON

Tom and Marilyn flew back to the States on Monday, June 28th, to assist a friend who needed their help traveling. They tested negative for COVID-19 two days before they departed South Africa. Once they arrived in the States they started feeling unwell. On Saturday, July 3rd, Marilyn tested positive for COVID and tried to rest and recover on her own. On July 8th, Marilyn was admitted to the hospital in Dallas and is currently there on supplemental oxygen. Please pray with us that Marilyn's oxygen improves and she is able to make a full recovery. Please pray for Tom as well, who tested positive and is recovering at home.



### CHANGES, PRAISE, & PRAYER

### ANTHONY GODDARD

In Anthony Goddard's recent update he wrote of wedding plans, traveling plans to his new ministry location, and saying goodbyes at Puraquequara where he has been serving with Rachelle at the missionary kid school. As he said there's "a lot that's been happening in his life".

He wrote of his vision trip to the community in Brazil

where he and Rachelle will be serving long-term. He and his teammate, Cleiton, did the trip together to get an idea of what the needs are there, to see the receptivity of the people, and to determine which of the communities they will live in. On their trip they covered about 250 miles of river, visited five different communities, and met lots of new people. He wrote, "It was such a blessing for me to see those places for myself and be able to give an account of what I'd seen to our coworkers."

Anthony wrote of fun times in Paraguay surprising Rachelle's family and being there in time to celebrate her brother's birthday. He wrote of saying goodbye to some of their friends from the Missionary Kid school where they have been serving. He shared, "Goodbyes are always hard, but they are something very common in our missionary life."

Anthony will be in Paraguay until August 1st, when he will return to the US to make preparations for the wedding. Rachelle will join him in the states a few weeks later. Following the wedding they plan to stay in the US until the end of December in order to spend some time with friends and family, and get used to married life before returning to Brazil.

Before closing the update he requested prayer for them as they get ready to return to the US in August and for their wedding in September, specifically that God would take care of all the details. He sends his thanks for partnering with them in prayer. He also requested that we not send anything to his Brazil address right now, since he won't be there to receive it. During Aug. 1 - Sept. 18, his address will be 1111 Adams Ave, Huntington, WV 25704.

# SEND THE GOSPEL TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH



## How do shoebox gifts impact the local church?

In more than 100 receiving countries, shoebox gifts are used by local Christians as a strategy for evangelism, discipleship, and the multiplication of believers and churches in their communities. More important than the items inside the shoebox, the gifts are an opportunity to share God's love—and the Good News of Jesus Christ—with children in need. Local Christians who know the culture and language best are given effective resources in their own language and a solid Biblical foundation so that they can communicate the Gospel within their own communities through shoebox outreach events and The Greatest Journey discipleship program.

For example, in Fiji, a pastor hosted an Operation Christmas Child shoebox outreach event in a rural community that had no church. He then invited the children to attend The Greatest Journey follow-up discipleship program. As the students gathered for the discipleship lessons, their parents grew curious and began attending, too. The village elder became a believer and offered his property as a place for the new church to meet. Today 80 people attend regularly, and five additional churches have been started in surrounding villages! This is one example of over 1,000 churches planted annually as a result of Operation Christmas Child in regions where we work.

The evangelism and discipleship resources utilized by Operation Christmas Child were intentionally developed with input from local believers in 16 countries, from six continents, and are specifically focused on children.



National Collection Week  
NOV. 15-22, 2021

## OCC F.A.Q.

In the 11 countries where shoebox gifts are packed, Operation Christmas Child provides an opportunity for participants to be a part of fulfilling the Great Commission. Jesus said "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:19). In this church-to-church ministry model, churches who pack shoebox gifts partner with local churches around the world as they share God's love with children in need and provide follow-up discipleship through The Greatest Journey.

## Do children have to say or do anything to receive a shoebox gift?

Shoebox gifts are given to children regardless of their gender, ethnicity, or faith. We seek to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way through each shoebox gift. Children do not have to do or say anything to receive the gifts. We work in and through local Christians in each country who understand the context in their area. Simple gifts—packed with love in Jesus' Name—deliver hope and joy to children all around the world, regardless of their faith or religious background.

## How does a shoebox gift impact a child in need?

Operation Christmas Child is not intended as a solution for meeting physical needs, but rather a strategy for the local church to meet spiritual needs of children in their communities. The unexpected gift delights and sparks hope in the life of a child as they hear of Jesus' love for them. Shoebox gifts are given freely in Jesus' Name.



# DIFFERENCE MAKERS SERVE GOD SERVE OTHERS

WE WANT TO SAY  
**THANK YOU!**

... to everyone who helped us feed the "World Changers" volunteers while they were serving here in Huntington. Your help in preparing and serving the meals was a blessing to all involved.



## WE'RE EXCITED TO WELCOME BACK OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We need your help. With all of the restrictions that 2020 brought we were unable to ask for your help in \*collecting items for the shoebox gifts - but this year we have no restrictions. While it seems impossible that it is already time to begin we are only 3 months out from our packing parties. For the month of August we will be collecting **school supplies**.

The following items are what we are most in need of:

- Single Subject notebooks
- Pencils
- Pens
- Pencil Sharpeners
- Erasers
- Crayons

You can be a difference maker in a number of areas around the church. Visit the front desk after any service or visit [lmbc.org/serve](http://lmbc.org/serve) to find specific needs and see where you can serve here at LMBC.

\*Donation bins are in all Worship Center lobby areas



# LOOKING FOR A STARTING POINT?

How to join our community of faith

Are you looking for a church home?  
Would you prayerfully consider whether God  
may be leading you to our family of believers?  
If you are ready, follow these simple steps:

## TAKE A LOOK AT THE LATEST **FAMILY NEWS**

### Bereavements

- Juanita Bailey, Becky Napier's mother
- Duane Midkiff, Diana Murphy's brother
- William Buster "Bill" Thompson, Dan Thompson's father

### Baptisms/New Members

- Landon DeHart (Baptism)
- Caitlyn Harkless (Baptism)

#### **1st** Baptism



Trust in Christ and follow Him in believer's baptism.

#### **2nd** Register (pick 1)



**In Service:** scan the QR code on the pew in front of you and let us know you would like to join.  
**Online:** [lmbc.org/register](http://lmbc.org/register)  
**Call:** 304-736-7676

#### **3rd** Discover



Check out the information in the visitor packet you received when you registered with us or visit [lmbc.org/what-we-believe](http://lmbc.org/what-we-believe) to learn about our core beliefs and more.

#### **4th** Experience



Come to the next Starting Point on **Sept. 12 @ 4:30 pm** in the SMB Cafe, where you'll meet with our Pastors to begin your membership experience.  
**Call:** 304-736-7676  
**Pre-register:** [lmbc.org/starting-point](http://lmbc.org/starting-point)

# OUR **PASTORS**

<sup>17</sup> Obey your spiritual leaders, and do what they say. Their work is to watch over your souls, and they are accountable to God. Give them reason to do this with joy and not with sorrow. That would certainly not be for your benefit. **Hebrews 13:17 NLT**

#### **David Lemming** *Senior Pastor*

Dr. David Lemming has been the Senior Pastor of Lewis Memorial Baptist Church in Huntington, West Virginia, since December 1982. He was saved as a teenager and early on became actively involved in various phases of Christian ministry. He has a heart for people and actively seeks new ways of extending Christ's love to those in Huntington and around the world. He and his wife, Mary, have two grown children and three grandchildren.

#### **Tim Yates** *Life Group & Outreach Pastor*

Tim Yates is an assistant pastor who oversees the Life Groups at Lewis Memorial. Tim and his wife Myra grew up locally and graduated from Barboursville High School. Both Tim and Myra are multiplying small group leaders and thoroughly enjoy their role as trainers and equippers for the glory of God. They have a passion for making disciples and mentoring small group apprentices.

#### **Nathan McClay** *Worship Pastor*

Nathan McClay is an assistant pastor and oversees the music and worship ministry of LMBC. He has been serving God at Lewis since 1991. Nathan and his wife, Audrey, have four children and two grandchildren.

#### **Jeremy Shaffer** *Executive Pastor*

Jeremy Shaffer is an assistant pastor who oversees the technical and administrative areas of the ministry. He regularly works alongside his wife Rebekah in the Children's Ministry, teaches in the LMBC Bible Institute, and teaches together with his wife, tackling marriage and family topics as well as general Bible studies for adults. He has been serving the Lord at Lewis since 2004. He and Rebekah have two children, Grace and Luke.

#### **Matt McClay** *Student Pastor*

Matt McClay oversees the student ministry at Lewis. He was raised locally in Huntington and married his wife April in March of 2011. In May of 2012, Matt and April welcomed their daughter, Addison, into the world. Matt has a heart for student ministry, the outdoors, and redeeming technology for God's glory.

#### **Phil Newberry** *Membership Pastor*

Phil and Ann Newberry have been faithfully serving the Lord at Lewis Memorial Baptist Church since 1972. They prepared for service at Tennessee Temple University. Over the years, their service has focused on reaching the young people of the area. Phil and Ann have served as the youth leaders for junior high and high school students, directed the children's church ministries and led the college department. Phil has also been active in the music ministry and is an ordained deacon.

#### **Bill Blankenship** *Hospital Visitation Pastor*

Bill Blankenship oversees the hospital and nursing home visitation program at Lewis Memorial. Bill and his wife, Debbie, have a loving and caring heart for the sick, shut-ins, widows and widowers. Bill and Debbie married in 1974 and have two grown children and are proud grandparents of Grace, Olivia, Jaxon, and Christian.

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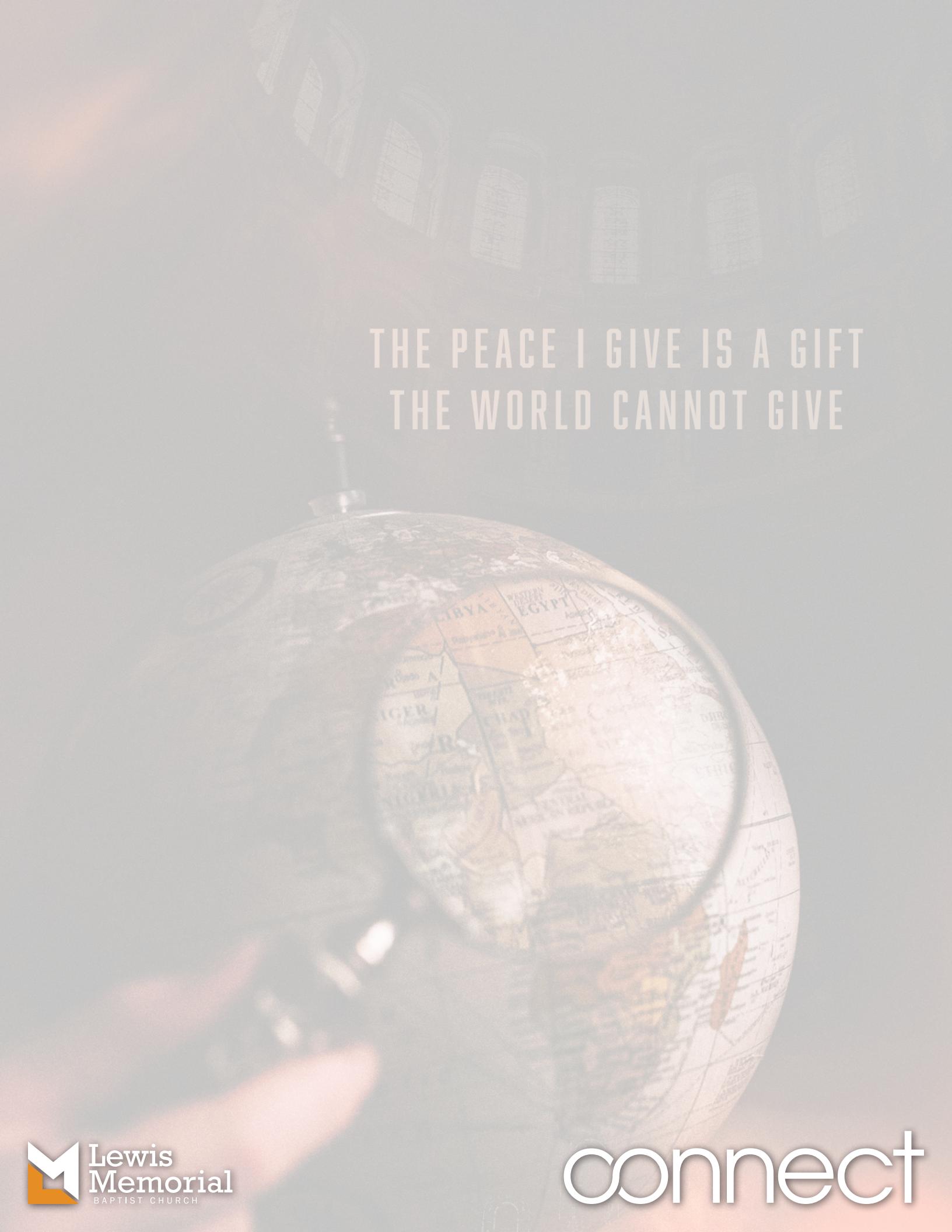
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