

*13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him,  
so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

*Romans 15:13*

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# The MESSENGER

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J.O.Y.

Jesus ☺ Others ☺ You

Ladies  
Weekend

**a note from Pastor Brian**

This year is flying by! We are already in the month of March and there are so many amazing things happening at Marietta 1st Baptist Church. This month we will continue in the book of Colossians on Sunday mornings. We have an amazing Women's weekend coming up at the end of the month. We also will finish our study in the seasons of God on Wednesdays in March. I am excited that we will have our first bowling with the pastor for our youth and college kids on March 14th from 9:30 pm-11:30 pm at Wade Hampton lanes. Make sure you sign up as we only have 30 spots. Don't forget that we are called to go to a lost and dying world with the good news of Jesus! I love you and I am praying for you.

Love, Pastor Brian

**MARCH Birthdays**

- 1** Chris Scruggs
- 2** Ed Timblin
- 4** John Hightower  
Halton Ledford
- 5** Olivia James
- 7** Dennis Barton
- 8** David James
- 9** Meredith James  
Shayna Snow
- 11** Evaleigh Craig
- 12** Jessica Newman  
Holder Bennett
- 13** Alissa Crum  
Kendra Cox
- 14** Lisa Epps  
Kimberly Edwards
- 16** Wayne Tankersley
- 17** Teresa Durham  
Brett Looper
- 18** Sharon Edge
- 19** Linda Tankersley  
Mark Crain
- 21** Melanie Hughes  
Kaleb Green
- 22** Carolyn Bayne
- 25** Justin Cisson
- 27** Marrie Loftis  
Chad Tankersley  
Derrick Epps
- 28** Levi Hightower  
Luke Hightower
- 29** James Anders  
Gary Cantrell
- 30** Stewart Wilkey  
Magnolia Green
- 31** Oaklyn Green  
Pam Logan

**BACON CHICKEN RANCH CASSEROLE**

*ingredients*

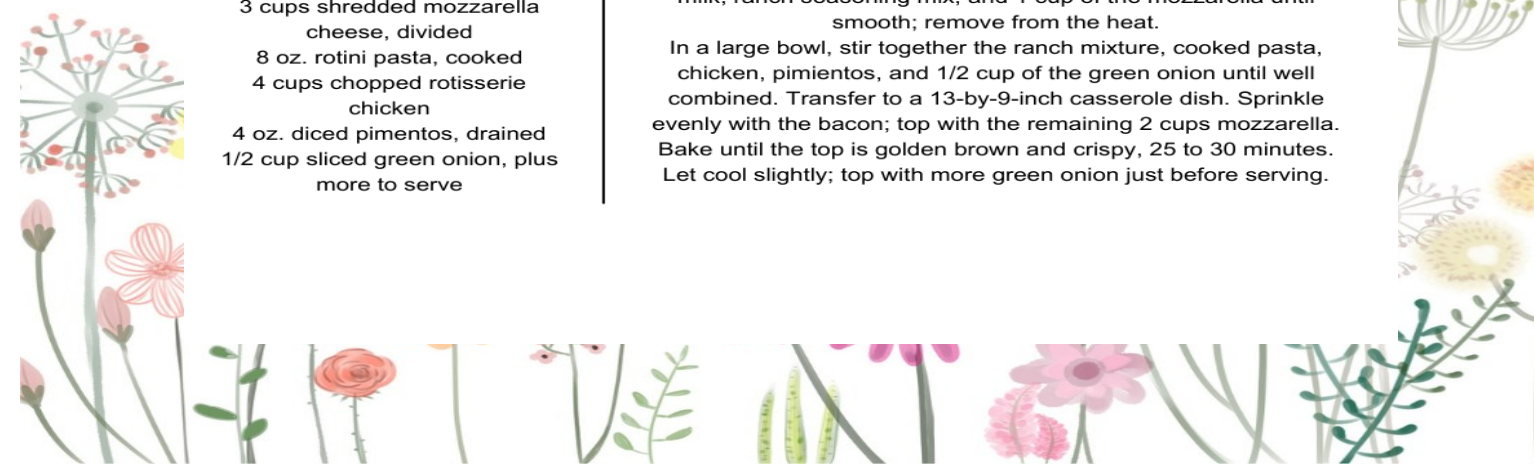
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 4 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- 1 (8-oz.) package cream cheese, cubed
- 2 cups milk
- 1 (1-oz) packet dry ranch seasoning mix
- 3 cups shredded mozzarella cheese, divided
- 8 oz. rotini pasta, cooked
- 4 cups chopped rotisserie chicken
- 4 oz. diced pimientos, drained
- 1/2 cup sliced green onion, plus more to serve

*directions*

Preheat the oven to 375°F. In a 12-inch skillet, cook the bacon over medium heat, stirring often until crispy, about 8 minutes. Remove the bacon from the pan using a slotted spoon. Set aside, leaving the drippings in the pan.

Add the onion and garlic to the drippings; cook, stirring often, until slightly softened, about 5 minutes. Whisk in the cream cheese, milk, ranch seasoning mix, and 1 cup of the mozzarella until smooth; remove from the heat.

In a large bowl, stir together the ranch mixture, cooked pasta, chicken, pimientos, and 1/2 cup of the green onion until well combined. Transfer to a 13-by-9-inch casserole dish. Sprinkle evenly with the bacon; top with the remaining 2 cups mozzarella. Bake until the top is golden brown and crispy, 25 to 30 minutes. Let cool slightly; top with more green onion just before serving.



**Ladies Weekend**

**Spread JOY**  
Jesus ☺ Others ☺ You

**March 28 & 29 / All Free**

**Music & Sessions From Our Local Area Churches**

I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.  
John 15:11

Register

**For The Record February 2025**

**Morning Worship, 9:30 A.M.**

02: 195 09: 288 16: 211 23: 237

**Evening Worship, 6:00 P.M.**

02: n/a 09: 135 10: 165 11: 171 16: 81 23: 82

**Tithes and Offerings:**

	<u>Reg. Budget</u>	<u>Bldg. Fund</u>
02:	\$17,763.25	\$488.00
09:	\$16,923.00	\$1,406.00
16:	\$11,733.00	\$510.00
23:	\$11,919.00	\$586.00

\*Some dates or financial info may not be available at the time of printing.

*Your*  
**Church Staff**

*We're here to Serve!*

staff@mfb-c-sc.org

**Dr. Brian L. Spearman, Senior Pastor**

**Scott Holtzclaw, Worship & Administrative Pastor**

**Stephanie Epps, Worship Leader**

**Chandler Moats, Associate Pastor of Families & Discipleship**

**Tedd Barnette, Building & Special Projects Coordinator**

**Melissa Crum, Administrative Ministry Assistant**

**Carol Ellis, Financial Ministry Assistant**

**Rachael Snow, Nursery Coordinator**

**Office Hours 8:30 am–1:30 pm M-F**

Church.....836-3518

Child Development Center.....836-7027

**SERVANTS ON CALL MARCH**

**DEACONS**

- Alan Harris - 979-3081 ■ Robbie Edwards - 509-8587
- Robbie King - 735-6241

**F.A.S.T. TEAM MEETING Mar 16 / 4:30 pm / Adult 5**

# Family Ministry

## Family Discipleship Focus

### The Digital Fast

We are using the Lent season (March 5th - April 19th) as a season of seeking the face of God together. Be praying how you can use this season to re-focus your heart, mind, and family on what matters most!



## Coming Up

### Fire Pit Ranch Leadership Experience

6th-12th graders  
March 22nd  
9:00am-2:00pm

### Kids Look Up Lodge

Rising 3rd-6th graders  
July 29th-August 1st



### Kids Digital Newsletter

Scan to find this month's Children's Church lessons and other resources.



## Teachers

	Nursery (0-1)	2-3s	Preschool (4-5s)	Elementary (1st-3rd)
3/2	Pat Elder (am) Amy Logan (pm)	Amy Logan Assistant	Bev Ford Kim Craig	Olivia + Gwen Chambers
3/9	Edwina Ervin (am) Lynn Albright (pm)	Emily Moats Assistant	Kayla Cannon Melanie Hughes	Debbie Holtzclaw Danielle Payne
3/16	Karen Burton (am) Brenda Ervin (pm)	Hannah Blume Jennifer Carter	Anna Storay Madison Powell	Kim Craig Lauren Epps
3/23	The Fosters (am) Kailyn Wilkey (pm)	Jessica Dilworth Emma Walton	Liz Nix Melissa Walton	Angela Spearman Nate Spearman
3/30	Brenda Ervin (am) Kathy Wilkey (pm)	Anna Storay Madison Powell	Jennifer McJunkin Deidre Youngblood	Pam Logan Karen Burton

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## REGIONAL CHURCH SAFETY SEMINAR

- Sunday, March 9 • 2:30 pm - 5:00 pm
- Registration Starts @ 2 pm
- Marietta First Baptist Church

For Additional Information: Contact  
Jimmy Batson (864) 423-0592 JAMES.BATSON@ngu.edu

## Questions and Answers

- ▶ Do you have questions about the Bible?
- ▶ Is there a verse you would like to have explained?

## Question and Answer Service Sunday, March 16 @ 6 pm

There are 2 ways to submit your questions:

- ▶ Text them to Brian @ 864-630-8052
- ▶ Write it down and give it to Brian or drop it in the offering plate. Forms are located at the Information Table.

Submit your questions by Sunday, Mar 9th

## Family Night Fellowship Meal & Gym Play

March 23 / 6 pm  
Starting in the Sanctuary

## Bring Your Favorite Italian Dish



## CHANGE AGENTS MARCH 2025 SCHEDULE

### TUESDAYS

4 Alan Harris  
Toni Harris  
Kathy Holmgreen  
Tedd Barnette

11 Wayne Tankersley  
Linda Tankersley

18 Brian Burton  
Edwina Ervin  
Gary Ervin

25 Brian Ledford  
Earl Epps  
Joan Epps

### THURSDAYS

6 Ronnie Albright  
Lynn Albright

13 David Welborn  
Marrie Loftis

20 JJ Hughes  
Melanie Hughes  
Benny Ford

27 Gary Cantrell  
Sonya Cantrell  
Tonya Anders

- 02: 9:30 am, Worship  
10:45 am, Sunday School  
6:00 pm, Family Ministry Equip
- 03: 10:00 am & 6:00 pm, Pickleball  
6:00 pm, Art Therapy
- 04: 9:00 am, SALT game day  
6:30 pm, Set Free
- 05: Love Thy Neighbor  
6:30 pm, Mid Week Service  
(RAs, GAs, Mission Friends, Youth, Adults)
- 06: 6:30 pm, Storehouse
- 09: 9:30 am, Worship  
10:45 am, Sunday School  
6:00 pm, Evening Service
- 10: 10:00 am, Pickleball  
7:00 pm, Revival
- 11: 10:00 am—1:00 pm, Lighthouse  
6:30, Set Free
- 12: 6:30 pm, Mid Week Service  
(RAs, GAs, Mission Friends, Youth, Adults, CARE)
- 13: 6:30 pm, Storehouse
- 16: 9:30 am, Worship  
10:45 am, Sunday School  
6:00 pm, Q & A
- 17: 10:00 am & 6:00 pm, Pickleball
- 18: 9:00 am, SALT game day  
6:30 pm, Set Free
- 19: Love Thy Neighbor  
6:30 pm, Mid Week Service  
(RAs, GAs, Mission Friends, Youth, Adults, CARE)
- 20: 6:00 pm, Storehouse
- 23: 9:30 am, Worship  
10:45 am, Sunday School  
6:00 pm, Family Night
- 24: 10:00 am & 6:00 pm, Pickleball
- 25: 10:00 am—1:00 pm, Lighthouse  
6:30 pm, Set Free
- 26: 6:30 pm, Mid Week Service  
(RAs, GAs, Mission Friends, Youth, Adults, CARE)
- 27: 6:00 pm, Storehouse
- 30: 9:30 am, Worship  
10:45 am, Sunday School  
6:00 pm, Sunday Singing
- 31: 10:00 am & 6:00 pm, Pickleball

**WORSHIP CHOIR SCHEDULE FOR MARCH**

- 02..... 9:30am Worship
- 05....Rehearsal 7:35pm
- 09.....9:30am Worship
- 12....Rehearsal 7:35pm
- 16.....9:30am Worship
- 19....Rehearsal 7:35pm
- 23.....9:30am Worship
- 26....Rehearsal 7:35pm
- 30.....9:30am Worship

**SALT Senior Lunch**



**Smokin' Pig**

**Mar 14 / Leaving @ 10:30 am**



**Love Thy Neighbor**

**March 5 & 19**

**Storehouse**

**Need For MARCH**



**MAC & CHEESE  
and  
ANY KIND  
OF PASTA  
Regular Size Box**



**EQUIP NIGHT**

**Family Ministries Continue  
March 2 / 6 pm / Fellowship Hall**

**Bowl With  
The Pastors**



**Friday, March 14  
9:30 pm - 11:30 pm  
Bus Leaves MFBC @ 8:45 pm  
Wade Hampton Bowl**

**6th Grade  
thru College  
\$10 Each**



**Spring  
Forward  
1 Hour  
March 8**



**CAMP LA VIDA JULY 7-11**

**Praise the Lord!!! Generous donations have been made!  
After the \$180 Deposit - Due March 16, the balance  
will be \$80 or less - Due on April 13.**

**I WILL KEEP YOU UPDATED BY TEXT MESSAGE**



**the Lighthouse**

**MARCH  
Schedule**

**SET FREE TUESDAYS  
@ 6:30 PM**

**DAY ACTIVITIES MAR 11 & 25  
10 AM - 1 PM**

- MAR 4 - Celebration Night
- MAR 11 - Regular Meeting
- MAR 18 - Regular Meeting
- MAR 25 - Regular Meeting

**ART THERAPY MAR 10  
6 PM**

**cameron's HOUSE OF HOPE TUESDAYS  
2:30 PM - 5:30 PM**

**5th Sunday  
Night Singin'**

**Mar 30 @ 6 pm**

**See Stephanie  
For Details**