

MANGHAM BAPTIST CHURCH
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It's HOT!!

I was noticing, just a couple of days ago, how easy it is to complain about the heat. And if you have not noticed, it is really hot outside. But after all, it is the end of July, and we are in Louisiana. After so many years of oppressive summer heat, a person would think we might be acclimated by now. But when it gets hot, we get to complaining. Everyone does it; it's only natural. And it's not just limited to hot weather. Why, I remember just a few short months back hearing people complaining about the cold weather and wishing that summer would hurry up and get here. It is too easy to complain. And not just about the weather. We complain about the traffic, the bills, the government, etc... In fact, we can fall into the habit of complaining about anything and everything.

But what if it was just as easy to be appreciative and grateful as it is to complain? What if we, without thinking about it, just dropped into a habit of speaking encouraging words and being thankful? What would our interaction with others sound like then? Let's try it and see. Philippians 2:14-15 reminds us to "Do everything without grumbling or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a warped and crooked generation. Then you will shine among them like stars in the sky." Now, go shine in the darkness.

Believing and Belonging, Bro Rick

Meals for Jan McKay

Jan McKay is recuperating at home after hip surgery. Let's show her some love by providing 2-3 meals a week for a short while. If you can provide a meal (nothing fancy), please tell Rachel Gandy. Jan's address is 221 Emma St., Mangham, if you would like to send her a card. Thank you.

Ice Cream Fellowship

We will host an ice cream fellowship in the family life center on the evening of Aug. 6, at 6:00 pm. Bring home-made or store bought ice cream, as well as your favorite toppings, and enjoy a time of fellowship and refreshment.

Pray for Students and Faculty and Schools

On August 13, we will have a special time of prayer in our morning service for students and teachers as school gets started up again. Invite your friends, as we would like to see as many students and teachers as possible for this special time of prayer.

We will conduct a prayer walk at the Mangham Schools that evening at 6:30. We are inviting other churches to join us as we walk and pray. If you would rather sit and pray, then please feel free to bring a lawn chair and skip the walking. We look forward to seeing you all there. We will meet at the corner of McConnell and Oak St (right by the Mangham High School office)

Quarterly Business Meeting and Fellowship

We will meet at 6:00 pm, on August 27, in our Family Life Center for our quarterly business /fellowship meeting. We will be hearing committee reports on the upcoming budget and committee assignments, as well as introducing our Sunday School leadership team for the next year. We are asking everyone to bring snacks and finger foods, as well as desserts for our fellowship meal.

Watoto Children's Choir

We are hosting the Watoto Children's Choir in the coming months. We need ten homes who will offer overnight accommodations for members of the group. Please sign up at church and don't miss this blessing.

August Birthday Calendars

Our August Birthday calendars are available in the foyer.

Ladies' game night will be August 7 at 6:00 PM.

Men's Bible Study

We will have men's Bible Study every Sunday at 5:00 PM.

Shoe Box Ministry

During the month of August, we will collect School Supplies: colors, single subject notebooks, glue sticks, pencil sharpeners, erasers, and play dough. A donation of money can be made online at the MBC website; just go to Online Giving and arrow down to Shoe Box Ministry. If you have any questions, please contact Susan Morgan.

Care & Share July: peanut butter crackers.



August 6 – Ashley White – Ainsley Miller
August 13 – T. J. Thompson – Charline Odom
August 20 – Mary Margaret Hoggatt – Savannah Hipp
August 27 – Judy Gilley – Jeannie Deere



August 6 – Erica Graham – Jessica McKay
August 13 – Sandy Lowentritt – Jeannie Deere
August 20 – Melissa Duckworth – Maria McDonald
August 27 – Andrea Spruell – Mackenzie Burns

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