

SERMON NOTES

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MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Love God | Love People | Prove It

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believe. belong. **become.** behold.





Our Vision:

Our vision is to be a place where people can freely worship God, connect with an authentic community of believers, spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ, impact our community, and fervently study the Word of God.

NEW HERE?
WELCOME!

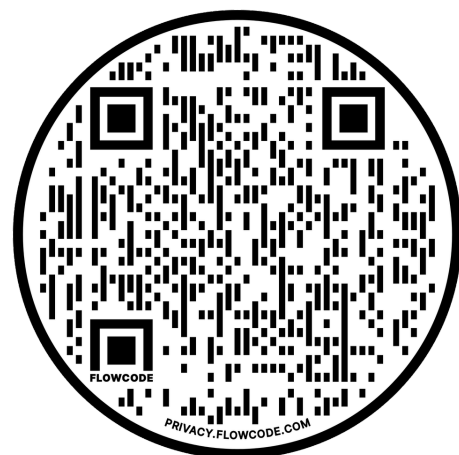
We'd love to get to know you! Please fill out a Connect Card from the back of the pews and drop it in the offering basket during our offertory period. We can't wait to connect with you!

5 WAYS TO GIVE

-  **By Mail:**
1710 Carey St. | Joliet, IL 60433
-  **Text to Give:**
Text Any Dollar Amount to (833) 800-5897
-  **Online at**
www.MtOLiveJoliet.org
-  **Dropbox:** Place your offering in the secure dropbox next to the main entrance
-  **Download the "Church Center" App** in the Apple App Store or in Google Play

Giving Affirmation

"LORD IT IS WITH A CHEERFUL HEART THAT I JOIN YOU WHERE YOU ARE WORKING AND SOW THIS SEED TODAY. I GIVE IT AS AN ACT OF WORSHIP WHILE MEETING THE NEED'S OF THIS LOCAL CHURCH FOR THE EXPANSION OF YOUR KINGDOM BECAUSE I KNOW YOU WILL RESPOND. I DECREE THAT THE NEEDS OF MY FAMILY ARE MET SPIRITUALLY, PHYSICALLY. AND FINANCIALLY. IN JESUS' NAME, AMEN."



SCAN THE QR CODE TO VIEW THE BULLETIN, FILL OUT A CONNECT CARD, GIVE ONLINE, CHECK IN FOR M.O. TOWN, FIND SMALL GROUPS, AND MUCH MORE!

Welcome our newest members

- Alexis Harris
- Samantha Weber
- Linda Jones
- Addyson Vidales
- Kenneth Tyler
- Brad McCullum
- Terell Hill
- Evelyn McGowan
- Timothy Susdorf

LET'S CELEBRATE

Is Your Birthday or Anniversary Missing? Let us celebrate with you! If your special day hasn't been listed in the bulletin, please email the church office at mtolivejoliet@gmail.com to be added.

ANNIVERSARIES

- 5/3 James & Sharon Foster celebrating 58 years
- 5/3 Glenn & Theresa Moore celebrating 35 years

BIRTHDAYS

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|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| 5/1 Nia Amos | 5/20 Shamekia Garner |
| 5/3 Alexis Harris | 5/20 Brielle McKay |
| 5/4 Myisha Carter | 5/22 Steve Poston |
| 5/4 James Berry | 5/22 Stephanie Martin |
| 5/5 Nelida Bordonaba | 5/23 Zelma Pruitte |
| 5/5 Annette Tramel | 5/24 Rodney Love, Sr. |
| 5/6 Sharra Martin | 5/24 Joshua Watson |
| 5/6 Emmanuel Martin | 5/25 Terrance Moncrief |
| 5/6 Chris Uberas | 5/26 Majia Johnson |
| 5/7 Samantha Weber | 5/27 Jerryale Gillespie |
| 5/9 Frederick Yates | 5/27 Terrence Williams |
| 5/9 Kyle Hill | 5/27 Michael Woods |
| 5/9 Steven Carter | 5/28 Danielle Thomas |
| 5/11 Christina Sempasa | 5/29 Afi Ahonto |
| 5/12 Will Ford | 5/29 Addyson Vidales |
| 5/12 Kisha Banks | 5/30 Ingrid Snapp |
| 5/13 Dennis Beale | 5/31 Ethel Person |
| 5/13 Matthew Deloach | |
| 5/16 Arielle McIntosh | |
| 5/18 Kree Mack | |
| 5/19 Gregory Reeder | |
| 5/19 Geraldine Littlepage | |
| 5/19 Kenovia Haggerty | |



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Men's Choir

Calling all men! We're assembling a special Men's Choir for Mother's Day. Come be a part of honoring the women of our church. Rehearsal is Thursday, May 7 at 6:30 PM.

Children's Ministry Updates

Attention parents and families—here's an important update! On the second Sunday, as we celebrate Mother's Day, and on the fifth Sunday for Youth Sunday, there will be no Children's Ministry.

All children will join us in the main service, so we encourage you to worship together as a family and support our youth as they lead. We look forward to seeing you there!

Lebanon Congress of Christian Education

If you know God has called you to do a good work—this is your moment. The Lebanon Baptist District Association presents the Congress of Christian Education, taking place May 4–6 at 6:00 PM nightly at Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Joliet. This year's theme, "You're doing a good work—stay on the wall," will focus on vision, leadership, healing from burnout, and building what God has placed in your hands.

Dinner will be provided, but registration is required. Come ready and come expecting as we grow together and remain committed to the work God has called us to do. For more info:
<https://lebanonjoliet.churchcenter.com/registrations/events>

Glam & Grace - Women's Ministry Event

Ladies, this one is just for you! Glam & Grace: Beauty, Confidence, and Christ is happening Saturday, May 30th from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. We're bringing in professional makeup artist Angie McNair for a hands-on class teaching the basics of natural beauty—perfect for beginners or anyone looking to refresh their everyday look.

And listen—you do not have to wear makeup to come. This is all about connection, confidence, and community. Registration is open now! It's \$30 if you bring your own makeup, or \$60 if you'd like a beginner-friendly starter kit included. Scan the QR code, sign up online, or grab a flyer in the lobby for more details. Spots are limited—so don't wait. We'll see you at Glam & Grace!

Vacation Bible School – Illumination Station

Vacation Bible School is almost here, and this year's theme is Illumination Station. This year, churches across the Lebanon District are coming together to create one powerful VBS experience for the whole family.

Join us June 22–26 from 6:00 to 8:30 PM nightly, with three locations to choose from. Transportation and meals will be provided, and there are classes for children, youth, and adults. Register today, select your location, and invite someone to join you for this impactful week.

For more info visit: lebanonjoliet.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3578475

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, May 3, 2026

COUNTDOWN
Worship Screens

VIDEO ANNOUNCEMENTS
Worship Screens

WELCOME VIDEO
Worship Screens

CALL TO WORSHIP
Minister

WORSHIP IN SONG | VOICES OF PRAISE
"I Count Everything as Joy"

SCRIPTURE, AND PRAYER
Minister

CONGREGATIONAL SONG
"Oh the Blood"

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS
(and Dismissal of Middle & High School Students)**
Minister

COMMUNION

WORSHIP IN GIVING

WORSHIP IN SONG | VOICES OF PRAISE
"For the Rest of My Life"

PREACHED WORD
Reverend Wendell Martin, Senior Pastor

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP
Minister

CLOSING REMARKS & BENEDICTION

Ministers, Deacons, and Deaconess are available at the altar after each worship gathering for those in need of special prayer.



THE CHRISTIAN LIVING CORNER

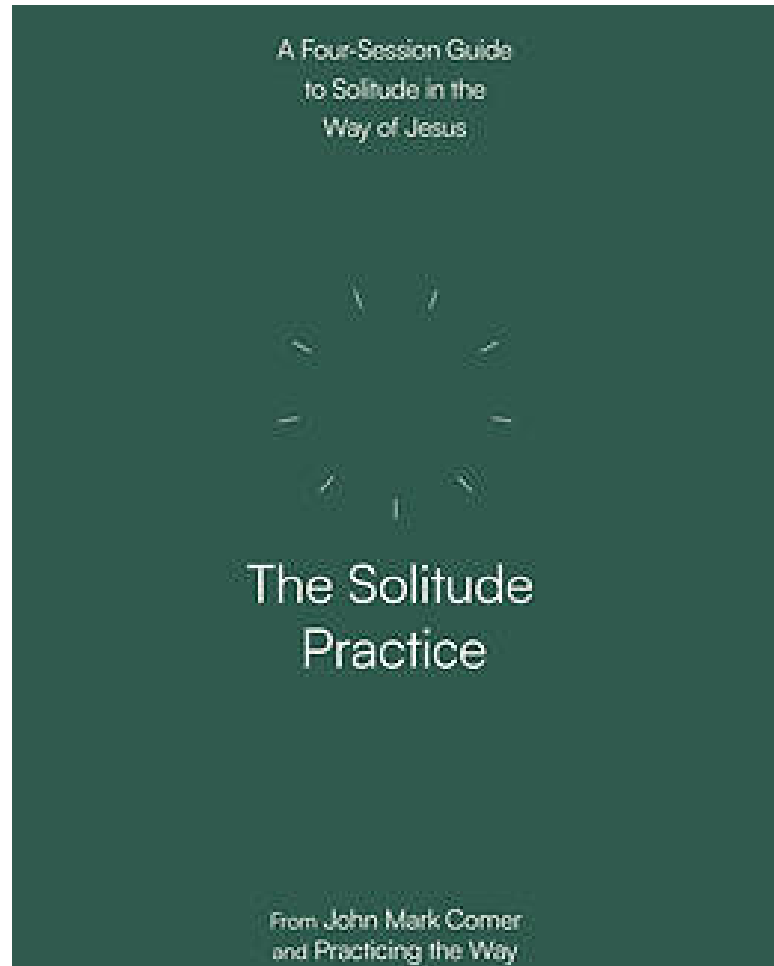


**Album of the Week:
Breathe On It – Tauren Wells**

Breathe On It by Tauren Wells is a powerful and uplifting worship project that centers on the transforming presence of God. With a blend of contemporary worship, pop, and gospel influences, Tauren delivers songs that speak to renewal, faith, and the life-changing power of the Holy Spirit. Each track carries a message of surrender and expectation, inviting God to breathe new life into every area—our hearts, our faith, and our purpose. Breathe On It reminds listeners that when God moves, everything changes, and what once felt dry or stagnant can be revived through His presence.

ALBUM OF THE WEEK

STUDY OF THE WEEK



**Study of the Week:
The Solitude Practice**

In a world filled with constant noise, distractions, and busyness, the practice of solitude invites us to slow down and be still before God. Modeled after the rhythm of Jesus, solitude is the intentional choice to step away from people and distractions in order to be fully present with Him. The Solitude Practice teaches us how to retreat with purpose—not to escape life, but to be renewed by God’s presence so we can return to others with greater love, clarity, and strength. This study encourages believers to cultivate quiet moments with God, creating space to hear His voice, rest in His presence, and be spiritually refreshed. Solitude is not isolation—it is preparation. As we learn to be with God in stillness, we are better equipped to live, love, and serve with intention in a busy world.



David Hampton
Faye Devers
Sis. Fredia Fairley
Mary Patterson



The Family of Christina Moran



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