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The MESSENGER

INSPIRE ■ INFORM ■ ENCOURAGE



If My people, who are called by
My name, will humble themselves and pray
and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then
I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin
and will heal their land.

2 Chronicles 7:14

From Pastor Brian's Desk

Well, July is upon us, and we have so much to be thankful for at Marietta First Baptist Church! As we celebrate living in a nation where we are free to worship, we are excited about all that this month holds. We look forward to baptisms, baby dedications, continuing our journey through Romans 12, student camps, and sending our Panama mission team to serve alongside our IMB missionaries. I want you to know how truly blessed I am to serve as your pastor. I love seeing you worship week after week, and I am continually encouraged as I watch you shine as a light in a lost and dying world. It was especially meaningful to see our youth serve so faithfully during Summer Serve—they were incredible, and God did a powerful work through them. Thank you for your willingness to do “whatever it takes” to be united in Christ’s love. As we move forward, remember that every detail matters, and let us not grow weary in doing good for the Lord. May God continue to bless you richly.

Love always,
Pastor Brian

HAVE A SAFE & BLESSED

July 4th

Wednesday, July 1 - No Mid-Week Activities

Friday, July 3 - Church Office Closed

Sunday, July 5 - Morning Worship @ 9:30 am

Sunday School @ 10:45 am

No Evening Worship

SERVANTS ON CALL

JULY

DEACONS

Chris
McCarrell
905-5574

Johnny
Foster
630-9553

Drew
Holder
915-5403

JULY Birthdays

- 1 Freddie Gillespie
- 2 Lucas Tankersley
Caroline Youngblood
- 3 Jeff Plumblee
Tonya Looper
- 4 Barbara Harbert
- 5 Jenna Bowers
- 7 Chris Slovak
Briana Stroud
- 11 Patrick Johnson
- 12 Campbell Cannon
- 13 Christie Wallen
- 15 Teresa Dyer
Lacy Rainey
- 16 Mac Ballenger
Betty Jo Glenn
Melissa Crum
Micah King
- 18 Sha Martin
Mark Ballenger
- 19 Fred Cox
- 20 Lucas Grant
- 21 Corbin Cannon
- 22 Lilla Maxwell
- 24 Rob Lento
- 25 Dale Stroud
Maverick Edwards
- 27 Emily Pennington
- 28 Cheryl Bennett
Colby Ervin
- 29 John Holmgreen
- 31 Tonya Anders

BLT PASTA SALAD

ingredients

1 cup mayonnaise or salad dressing
 ¼ cup lemon juice, concentrated
 2 teaspoons sugar
 2 teaspoons chicken-flavored instant bouillon
 1 (7-ounce) package of rotini pasta, or other types of pasta, cooked and drained
 8 slices bacon, cooked and crumbled
 1 large tomato, seeded and chopped
 ¼ cup sliced green onions
 4 cups thinly sliced lettuce

directions

In a large mixing bowl, combine the mayonnaise, lemon juice, sugar, and instant bouillon to make the dressing.
 Add the cooked and drained pasta, crumbled bacon, chopped tomato, and sliced green onions to the mixing bowl. Toss to combine.
 Before serving, add the sliced lettuce to the mixing bowl and gently toss to combine. Serve immediately and enjoy!

For The Record JUNE 2026

Morning Worship, 9:30 A.M.

07: 223 14: 211 21: 245 28: 224

Evening Worship, 6:00 P.M.

07: N/A 14: N/A 21: N/A 28: N/A

Tithes and Offerings

Reg. Budget	Bldg. Fund
07: \$18,213.90	\$805.00
14: \$10,239.56	\$516.00
21: \$13,450.15	\$565.00
28: N/A	N/A

Your Church Staff

We're here to Serve!

mfbstaff@gmail.com

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

Rob Lento, Pianist

Office Hours 8:30 am–3:30 pm M-Thur

Friday—8:30 am—12:30 pm

Church.....864-836-3518

Child Development Center.....864-836-7027

Family Ministry



From Chandler

It's a great season to be in Kids + Youth Ministry. We've seen salvations, spiritual growth, kids' rooms being renovated, involvement in camps and missions, Scripture engagement, and a growing desire for God. Thank you to parents who faithfully model at home what it looks like to follow Jesus, and to our incredible Family Ministry team who does so much behind the scenes to help our students know, love, and follow Jesus. Know that you are making an eternal difference. Emily & I are grateful to lead and serve with you!

Family Ministry Highlights

VBS Celebrations

We had a great VBS in June, celebrating salvations and great conversations and growth. Thank you to everyone who served!

Camps

We have multiple groups of students going to camps in July. Pray for their hearts to be prepared for what God has in store!

Kids' Look Up Lodge Camp

July 31st - August 3rd
Rising 3rd-6th Graders
Sign up with the QR code!



Looking Ahead

Move Up Dates - August 9th + 12th
6th Grade Night - August 12th
Carnival - August 26th

Memory Verse

Big Idea - This is Jesus' greatest commandment.



Matthew 22:37-39 - And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. 38 This is the great and first commandment. 39 And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Teachers

Nursery	2-3s	4-5s	Elementary
7/5 Teresa Dyer	Emily Moats Brittni Howard	Liz Nix Becky Galloway	Angela Spearman Savannah Hightower
7/12 Brian & Karen Burton	Amy Logan Melanie Hughes	Jennifer McJunkin Maggi Bailey	Pam Logan Karen Burton
7/19 Amy Logan	Jessica Dilworth Kelly King	Bev Ford Assistant	Debbie Holtzclaw Danielle Payne
7/26 Kathy Wilkey	Hannah Blume Assistant	Chandler + Emily Moats	Kim Craig Lauren Epps

Pray For Our Campers - JULY 6 - 10



Camp McCall for Boys



Camp La Vida for Girls



Pray For Our
PANAMA

MISSION TEAM - JULY 18 - 25

PANAMA MISSION CELEBRATION! & Fellowship Meal

"Breakfast for Supper"
July 26 @ 6 pm



Bring Your Favorite Breakfast Dish!

S.A.L.T. OUTINGS

Aunt Sue's For Early-Supper

July 10 / Leaving @ 3 pm

Bowling at Rock Springs

Followed by Lunch @ JRocks

July 14 / Leaving @ 9:15 am

Thank You!
For Giving To Our
FREE BIBLES
Ministry



- 01: No Activities
- 02: 6:00 pm, Storehouse
- 03: Church Office Closed
- 05: 9:30 am, Worship
10:45 am, Sunday School
No Evening Worship
- 06 : 10:00 am, Pickleball
- 07: 9:00 am, SALT
10:00 am—1:00 pm, Lighthouse
6:30 pm, Set Free
- 08: 6:30 pm, Mid Week Service
(RAs, GAs, Mission Friends, Youth, Adults, CARE)
- 09: 6:00 pm, Storehouse
- 12: 9:30 am, Worship
10:45 am, Sunday School
No Evening Worship
- 13: 10:00 am, Pickleball
6:00 pm. Art Expressions
- 14: 10:00 am—1:00 pm, Lighthouse
6:30 pm, Set Free
- 15: Love Thy Neighbor
6:30 pm, Mid Week Service
(RAs, GAs, Mission Friends, Youth, Adults, CARE)
- 16: 6:00 pm, Storehouse
- 19: 9:30 am, Worship
10:45 am, Sunday School
No Evening Worship
- 20: 10:00 am, Pickleball
- 21: 9:00 am, SALT
No Lighthouse
No Set Free
- 22: 6:30 pm, Mid Week Service
(RAs, GAs, Mission Friends, Youth, Adults, CARE)
- 23: 6:00 pm, Storehouse
- 26: 9:30 am, Worship
10:45 am. Sunday School
6:00 pm, Family Night
- 27: 10:00 am, Pickleball
- 28: 10:00 am—1:00 pm, Lighthouse
6:30 pm, Set Free
6-9:00 pm, Bingo
- 30: 6:00 pm, Storehouse

WORSHIP CHOIR SCHEDULE FOR JULY

We will be on summer break July 1st through August 9th. Rehearsals will resume on August 12th. Don't forget to vocalize daily to keep your voice in shape. If you are thinking about joining the Worship Choir, then Wednesday, August 12th will be a great time. We hope to see you then at 7:35pm in the choir room. Have a safe and happy summer!

Be still and know that I am God.
Psalm 46:10

 **PICKLEBALL MONDAYS**
10 am - Noon

 **Love Thy Neighbor**
July 15
See Stewart or Kathy Wilkey to Get Involved!


NEED THIS MONTH
CANNED MEAT and CRACKERS


Regular Size / Any Variety

A Seat At His Table

LADIES RETREAT

Speaker: Emily Moats


Double Room (2 People)
\$295 per person

Double Room (3-4 People)
\$245 per person

Scan To Register Online 

Baby Dedication
Sunday, July 12 @ 9:30 am

If you wish to be included,
please contact Brian by July 5



Marietta First Baptist Annual
GOLF TRIP
October 11 - 14

Sign Up & Deposit Due, JULY 30

- Detail Sheets are at the Information Desk
- For More Info see Debbie Payne 864-979-1164



IGNITE

Wednesday July 15 @ 6 pm


Will Not Meet This Month
Next Meeting - AUG 16

GYM CLOSED IN THE EVENING

WE WILL REOPEN AUG 11


Marietta Worship
*Have a song in your heart?
Come join our Worship Choir!*

Choir Practice Starts Back WED, AUG 12 / 7:35 PM
Choir Room - Rm 110

There's a Place for You!

 **the Lighthouse** **JULY Schedule**

SET FREE TUESDAYS 6:30 - 8 PM

JUL 7 - Celebration Night
JUL 14 - Regular Meeting
JUL 21 - Will Not Meet
JUL 28 - Regular Meeting

DAY ACTIVITIES TUESDAYS 10 AM - 1 PM
Will Not Be Here JULY 21

ART EXPRESSIONS JULY 13 6 PM

 **cameron's HOUSE**
This Fall, we will have openings for students impacted by parental substance use. For more information Email: cameronshousesc@gmail.com Or Call: 864-610-5747

Program For This School Year Has Ended
Regular Schedule Will Resume - AUG 18