



News From

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June 2022

CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC

SUNDAY, JULY 31

AT MOUNT MORIAH CHURCH
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE WORSHIP SERVICE

INDOOR AND OUTDOOR SEATING AVAILABLE

WE WILL PROVIDE:

FRIED CHICKEN AND DRINKS
PLATES, CUPS, FLATWARE, AND NAPKINS

We would love to have you join us for good food, fun, and fellowship! It will be a great way to get to know one another even better!



PLEASE BRING
YOUR FAVORITE
DISH TO SHARE!

**BRING A
FRIEND!**

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. (Acts 2:42)

HAPPENINGS

- JUNE 20** **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**
6/20 - 6/24; 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- JULY 3** **COMMUNION SERVICE**
- JULY 24** **QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING**
- JULY 31** **FAMILY PICNIC**
Immediately Following Worship Service

COMBINED ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

JUNE 19 - August 28

9:30-10:30 AM

IN THE SANCTUARY

Please join us for Dr. David Jeremiah's ten week video presentation titled "Where Do We Go From Here?" Dr. Jeremiah opens up the Word of God to reveal what it has to say about the days we are living in—and to offer hope and courage to believers.

GATHERINGS

- 9:30 AM** **Sunday School In-person**
- 10:45 AM** **Sunday Worship**
In-person & ONLINE via Facebook
- 7:00 PM** **Wed. Night In-person Bible Study**
- 8:00 PM** **Wed. Night ONLINE Bible Study**

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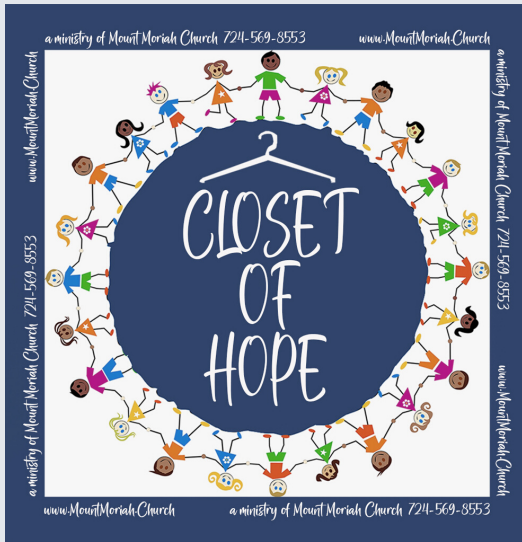
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***Jesus went to where the people were. He fed them. He prayed with them.
He acted out his amazing grace, mercy, and love.***



Praising God for his answered prayers. The Closet of Hope has officially opened!

We served our first shopper, a 14-year-old girl, who was already on her second home placement. She arrived at her Foster Parents' home with nothing but a small garbage bag of clothing. This sweet, special soul was able to shop free of charge for the items she so desperately needed. Her wish list included a teen study Bible, the usual teen items, along with some dress clothing that she could wear to church. Our God is so AMAZING; those items were provided!

We are now scheduling volunteers to assist with clothing sorting and store organization. Please contact Director Jen Diamond at 724-550-6768 if you would like to help.

THANK YOU SO MUCH!!

Special thanks to the Fayette County 4-H Connects Club for volunteering at our foster closet! They were amazing!!



ITEMS WE NEED

- New or gently used clothing and shoes of all sizes. Ages birth to teens (new undergarments only)
- Backpacks and luggage: No child should have to carry their belongings around in a garbage bag.
- Baby equipment and furniture: cribs, swings, highchairs, strollers, car seats
- Baby supplies: diapers, wipes, shampoos, lotions, blankets, towels, washcloths
- Toiletries: deodorants, shampoos, body washes, girls' hygiene products, hairbrushes, combs
- Toys, books, coloring books, electronics, video systems, early learning, flash cards, Bibles
- School supplies: notebooks, pencils, highlighters, lunch boxes, crayons, markers
- You can also shop at our amazon store link: [Closet of Hope.](#)

Monetary donations to purchase our most needed items are welcome. We also provide gift cards to the children so they can shop at Target or Walmart and purchase items we do not have in stock.



MEET THE KERNS

Dale and Rose Kern have been members of Mount Moriah for about fifteen years. They were looking for a church home when they decided to attend our church. They came one Sunday and knew they had found a home. "The people were friendly, we felt comfortable, and everyone was welcoming."



Rose and Dale Kern

When Dale retired, he began volunteering with Operation Christmas Child, and Rose joined him the following year. When they got to know Mina Brown, they joined "The Explorers" Sunday School class that Mina teaches. They truly enjoy the small, intimate atmosphere of the class, and once they made Sunday School part of their routine, their worship felt much more enjoyable and complete. Dale and Rose also attend Wednesday night Bible study. "That's where we started to grow in our faith and learn about the Bible in ways we hadn't before." Dale and Rose believe that the most important thing to them is that they have found a church home where their faith is becoming stronger—and that journey is extremely gratifying. We couldn't agree with them more. We're so glad that Dale and Rose chose to make Mount Moriah their home!

MEET THE STANGES

Bethany (Robinson) Stange has been a member of Mount Moriah her whole life. When Jonathan met her cousin, Zach Ellsworth, he and Zach bonded over writing music and playing guitar. It wasn't long before Jonathan and Bethany started dating, and Jonathan began attending Mount Moriah shortly thereafter. They were married here in 2007 and now have two children, eight-year-old Ella and four-year-old Caleb.

For a while, the Stanges were part of the church plant, Redeeming Grace. They are now serving in various ways here at Mount Moriah. During any worship service, you will see Jonathan playing guitar as part of the "Witness Jesus Band," a role he fell into rather quickly after joining the church. He is also now a teacher for the "Stepping Stones" Sunday School class. Bethany will begin teaching the third and fourth grade Sunday School class in the fall.

One of their favorite parts of Mount Moriah has always been the children's ministry that is so evident in Sunday School, Wee Kids, Junior Church, and Youth of Light. Jonathan and Bethany would love to see our church continue to grow, especially in the area of small group ministry. We love that the Stange family is part of our family here at Mount Moriah!



Caleb, Bethany, Ella, and Jonathan Stange



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Daddy

There is not much that I love more than to hear my son and my little girl call me Daddy. I realize that some day for my son it will turn from Daddy to Dad. But I love how little girls who love their daddy never seem to grow out of it. "I love you, Daddy." "Ouch, Daddy, it hurts." "Come push me, Daddy." "Fix it, Daddy." "Daddy, can you come with me?" "You're the best Daddy ever." "Daddy, come tuck me in." And, of course, some day I am sure I will hear, "Well Daddy, what do you think of him?" Ok, to be honest—not looking forward to that one...lol.

Did you know that God wants us to call Him Daddy? In Romans 8:14-15, Paul describes this type of relationship between Him and His children. The New Living Translation records it like this, "For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, 'Abba, Father.'" The word Abba means father in a general sense but has the connotation of a deeper affection, total trust, and more intimate relationship—Daddy. God desires for us to love Him, trust Him and relate to Him like a father. The Holy Spirit makes this possible when we put our faith in Jesus.

This Father's Day, I have been reflecting on those times I called on my earthly dad. He was a good daddy. He was kind, gentle, generous, and best of all he loved Jesus. I think of those times when I had to cry out to him. Sometimes looking for praise, "Dad, did you see that?" Sometimes in pain, "Dad, can you help me?" Sometimes looking for guidance, "Dad, what do you think?" But I am so thankful that my dad pointed me to the Heavenly Daddy. The Daddy who I could cry out to even when my dad wasn't around. The Daddy who loved me even more than my dad did. The same Daddy who Jesus cried out to, "Abba, Father." The Daddy who gave His One and Only Son for me.

Do you have a father that you can call Daddy? If you do, be thankful for him. Do you know our Heavenly Father? If not, let me introduce you to my Abba, Father.

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