

Morning Worship August 24, 2025

Seeking to glorify God in all things through His son Jesus Christ.

Worship Service 10:30am

Metropolitan Baptist Church warmly welcomes our visitors today. If you are visiting with us, please fill out the card located in the pew/rack and place it in the offering plate so we can get to know you better.

Call to Gather"Great Are You, Lord"#159Welcome / AnnouncementsPastor SteveChurch in ConfessionBill SavageCall to WorshipPsalm 19:7-11Congregational Songs of PraisePraise TeamPsalm ReadingPsalm 85

Offering / Offertory

Church in Prayer

Preparation Hymn #358

"Because He Lives"

Scripture Acts 28:17-30

Message Pastor Jack

Preaching in Rome

Closing Song Praise Team

Benediction Revelation 5:12-13

For Your Convenience...
There is Nursery available for parents with small children.

Thanks to this week's Volunteers - Arlette B., Janet & Ellie M.

Next Week's Volunteers - August 31 - Nancy H., Marcia B., Jacque U.

No Children's Church for the Summer Months

Thank you for silencing your cell phones during the Worship Service.

Ouiet Bags are hanging in the library next to the video rack.

The Church in Prayer

NCA Pastors and Ministries of the Week Temple Baptist, Jamestown, ND

Seeking a lead Pastor; Brian (Sara) Held, Discipleship & Member Care; Collin McDonald, Pastoral Intern/Interim Youth Dir.; Trena (Jeremy) Owens, Children's Ministry Dir.; Jeri (John) Lynch, Licensed Counselor; Ashley Fig, Nursery Dir.

MBC Supported Missions

Randy Schmor - NAB Gateway Director - Randy took over as the interim NAB Field Director for Hungary, replacing Ron and Jeannie Seck, who retired on December 31, 2023. He oversees the NAB Community Health Evangelism (CHE) teams who work in Hungary and north Serbia, and have done CHE projects in other parts of Central Europe and the Balkans. Pray as he continues in this new/additional role. For more information go to: rschmor@nabconf.org

New Life Center - The New Life Center helps people who are homeless and hurting go from merely surviving to truly thriving. Their aim is to help them discover value and find hope, as a Christian multi-faceted emergency and crisis service center. Leadership Team: Rob Swiers, Exec. Dir.; Kevin Carpenter, Oper. Dir.; Billy Barnett, Program Dir.; Tim Kahnk, Social Enterprise Dir.; Andrea Feigum, Advancement Dir.; Sanjay Mendis, Finance Dir.; Stephanie Strum, Human Res. Dir.; Jennifer Swiers, Interim Donor Relations Mgr.; Tom O'Keefe, Donor Relations Mgr.; Daniel Miller, Recovery Services Mgr.

NAB Missionary of the Week



Pastor Jack

Brandon & Marci Jones NAB Missionaries in Brazil

Brandon and Marci joined the NAB missionary team in Brazil in 2018. Brandon holds a PhD in Theological Studies and enjoys teaching theology and ethics at the Baptist seminary where he serves. Brandon also serves as director of Kairos Brazil. Marci handles promotions and media for the mission work at the seminary

and with Kairos. They have three children: Daniel, Monica, and Olivia. Pray for the new church-planting network to help many area churches plant new churches in the Porto Alegre region.

For more information go to: <u>nabonmission.org/missionaries/brandon-marci-jones</u>

Youth News



Upcoming Youth Events

Today - August 24th - at church - 5:00 - 7:30 pm (also September 7th and 21st)



Watch your emails for details

"Change to Make a Change" The Youth Group Missions Donation Box is located in the back of the sanctuary. Drop your spare change or donations in the box to help us make a change in the world through missions; for future Youth Mission trips.

Every penny helps!! Thank You!! MBC Youth Group

Prayer & Praise Items

"Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving."

Colossians 4:2 ESV

- Pray for <u>Cameroon</u> due to the civil unrest that continues. Pray for God to bring peace to the country.
- Pray for the Russia-Ukraine conflict. Pray for peace.
- Pray for <u>Israel</u>. God's will be done. Pray for peace and rebuilding.
- Pray for the <u>leadership</u> of our country, state, and city. May they see their need for a Savior and seek Him!
- <u>Continue to pray for salvation</u> for all those we know who need the Lord; family members, friends, co-workers, and neighbors.
- Continue in prayer for those in our church family, and others, facing health issues: Morris Peterson, Arlene Franchuk, Sherry Buchholz, Gail Biby, Larry Crooks, Arlene Palm, Karen Parrott, Ron Parrott, Kevin Preston, Jacque Ulstad, Darlene Wahl, Waltraut Wolff, Elmer Ackerman, Glenn Burrell, Steven Kieffer, and Joan Frey. Pray for peace, comfort, continued strength, and healing in each of their circumstances.
- Continue in prayer for the families and rescue workers affected by the severe flooding in Texas last month.

MBC Church Family Praise

Praise for those who attended "<u>Bible in the Park</u>" VBS recently.
 Pray that their hearts and minds were opened to the message of the gospel that was presented.

Announcements

"Mondays in the Summer"

Men's Reading Group Monday, August 25 - 6:30pm reading through **J.I. Packer's** book, **"A Quest For Godliness." Chapter 10**





MBC Prays is looking for additional pray-ers. A sign-up sheet is at the Resource Center with your preference of a one hour time slot. Please sign up so we know who to get helpful prayer booklets to! The new year starts September 12th.

AWANA Registration



August 27th ~ 6:30 - 8 pm ~ MBC Gym
The first night of AWANA ~ September 3rd
6-6:25pm - Check-in
6:25pm - Club Begins
Registration Forms available at the Resource Center

Leaders Needed: for T&T or Trek programs - see Janet Kirsch

Announcements Continued

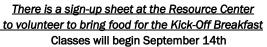
White Cross: Susan Ray-Degges is looking to schedule a Fall White Cross Work Day. Stay tuned!

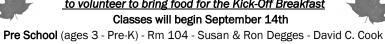


For any new Volunteers (18 years or older) with the Children's Ministries at MBC - Nursery, Sunday School, Children's Church, AWANA, VBS, etc. . . . Please obtain a **Children and Youth Protection Policy**, read through it, complete the **Volunteer** Application form, and give it directly to Pastor Jack. For those who have previously submitted an application form, we ask that you review the policy, fill out only the authorization for renewal of the background check, and give it directly to Pastor Jack. Policies and Forms are available at the Resource Center, as well as a check list for reviewing the Policy.

Fall Sunday School Kick-Off, Sunday, Sept. 7th

Please join us for Breakfast at 9:15am in the Gym-Fellowship Hall (No SS)





K - 5th Grade - Rm 204 - Gardner & Janet McKeon - Gospel Project Middle School - Sr. High - Rm 201 - Aaron Buchholz -

"Parables of Jesus" by Matt Williams

Young Adults - Rm 202 - Jon & Ruth Wolhart -Respectable Sins" by Jerry Bridges

Adult 1 - Chapel - Room 101 - Heldur Hakk & Pastor Steve Finishing Ray Vander Laan's "That the World May Know" video series, followed by a study on the Book of Job

Adult 2 - Rm 102/103 - Tom Rakoczy - "Written in Stone" a book on the 10 Commandments by Philip Ryken

2025 Women's Retreat @ Crystal Springs Baptist Camp

September 19th - 21st ~ Friday, 3:00pm - Sunday, 1:15pm Speaker: Nicole McAbee, Theme: Trust & Contentment Registrations are due by September 12th Registration Forms with more details

and Sign-up are available at the Resource Center

Save the Date - 2025 MBC Men's Retreat @ CSBC Friday & Saturday, September 26th & 27th More details and sign up in the coming weeks

The Saturday Mission Conference Project for 2025 is to have a Baby Shower for The Perry Center. The goal is to fill 10 diaper bags to give to the moms at the center. We will meet Sat. morning, Oct. 11th to fill the diaper bags with the donated items. Items requested: Diapers (size 6 only), baby powder, receiving blankets, burp cloths, teething rings or rattles, white onesies. If you have any questions, contact Ron Degges, Ruth Wolhart or Aleksia Anderson - Missions Bd.



Do you anticipate extra garden produce? A box can be found in the church entryway, so that others can share in your bounty! Plan on helping others in need with your harvest this season. Thank you, from your Evangelism & Outreach Board

This Week

Today

9:15 am Fellowship

9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Morning Worship

5:00 pm Youth Group

Monday, August 25

6:30pm 'Mondays in the Summer'

Wednesday, August 27

6:30pm Awana Registration

Metropolitan Staff

Jack Bluel Senior Pastor Steve Burrell Pastor of Outreach & Evang. Nancy Harsch Worship Coordinator Neal & Erica Anderson Youth Coordinators Sue Mavis Administrative Assistant Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday 8:30am-3:00pm

Attendance & Giving

Avg. Attendance for August	94
Amount Needed Weekly	\$6,115
August 10, 2025	\$3,518
Online week of 8-10-2025	\$20
August 17, 2025	\$4,563
Online week of 8-17-2025	\$307

2:42 Groups

Sign Up Sheets available at the Table in the Fover

September

Thurs., Sept. 4	6:00pm	Wolff
Sun., Sept. 14	12:30pm	Burrell
Sun., Sept. 28	12:30pm	Svaleson

Upcoming Events

August 2025

27 - AWANA Registration

31 - No Sunday School

September 2025

- 1 Labor Day
- 2 O&E Board Meeting
 - 3 AWANA Begins
- 7 Fall SS Kickoff Breakfast (No Sunday School)
 - 7 Communion
- 7 Colloquium with Pastor Jack
 - 9 Trustee Board Meeting
- 11 Deacon Board Meeting 12 - MBC Pravs
- 14 Fall SS Classes Begin
- 19-21 Women's Retreat @ CSBC 26-27 - Men's Retreat @ CSBC

Morning Prayer - 9am - Chapel Next Meeting September 28, 2025

Recognitions

Birthdays

Jamesetta Taylor (Today) Tammy Bluel (Monday)

Family of the Week

Gardner, Janet, Joslyn, Roland, Ellie, and Willow McKeon

Caring Person for August

Sue Mavis

Are you continuing to read the MBC Evangelism & Outreach Minutes?

Watch your email, weekly on Tuesday mornings, for an inspiring, short thought to motivate and enhance your witness. "One Thing You Can't Do In Heaven . . . "

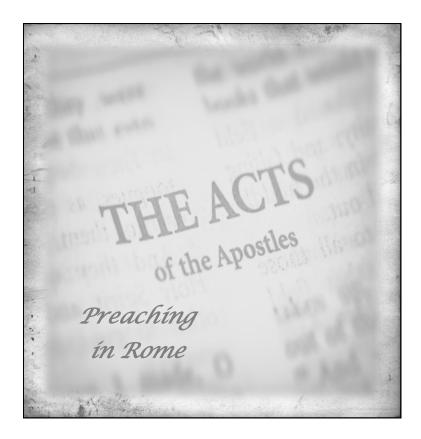


Tuesday Afternoon Ladies Bible Study - Fall 2025

Tuesdays, 1:00-2:30pm at MBC, beginning September 9th Studying Margaret Feinberg's "The God You Need to Know" There is a sign-up sheet at the Resource Center

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Acts 28:17-30



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