## **Events from the Church Calendar (5/11 - 5/17)**

**THURSDAY** 1:00 p.m. Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Rm 5/11 6:30 p.m. "Escape the Coming Night" Study, #042-LL MMBC Preschool Graduation, Worship Ctr. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. ESL (English as 2nd Language), FLC

**SUNDAY** 8:15 a.m. Band Rehearsal, Worship Ctr.

Library Open (also before and after worship service) 5/14 8:30 - 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School for all ages 9:00 a.m.

10:15 a.m. **Morning Worship** 

MONDAY 10:00 a.m. Prayer for the Country, #Prayer Room

5/15 3:00 p.m. Awana Clubs, FLC

9:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Happy

Mother's

Day!

**TUESDAY** 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, Mary's Southern Grill

5/16 10:00 a.m. Prayer Group, #026-LL

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Rm

6:00 p.m. Thrive Moms—Family Night, Hamilton Gardens Pavilion

PEAK Kids Sunday School & Worship (Nursery Available)

WEDNESDAY 9:45—11:45 a.m. Spiritual Disciplines Book Study, #233-FLC 5/17 10:00 a.m. Community Quilters Group, #219-FLC

10:00 am - Noon Library Open (also 5:30 - 6:00 p.m.)

5:00 - 5:45 p.m. EDGE & Summit Last Family Meal for the Summer, FLC

3:00 - 7:30 p.m. Summit Students - The Lodge 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. PEAK Kid's EDGE - Children's Dept.

Parents Small Group w/Pastor Danny, #233-FLC 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. 6:00 - 6:45 p.m. Wednesday in the Word w/Pastor Steve, Worship Ctr

6:45 - 7:30 p.m. Prayer Groups, TEL & Esther Classrooms

Choir Rehearsal, Choir Suite 6:45 - 8:00 p.m.

#### Week of 5/7/2023 In Church Attendance—435 Sunday School Attendance - 273 **Moving Mountains** Budget Weekly YTD Weekly Since last pmt. Required \$30.629.90 \$581.968.10 \$7.286.43 \$14.572.86 To Date \$42,110.69 Received \$563.347.24 \$5,700.00 \$192.539.32

## Prayer List...

**Upcoming Surgeries** New: Week of 5/7/2023 Cindy Anderson, 5/10 **Evelyn Arnold** Abdon Godinez Calmo Bill Blumreich, 5/10 John & Margie Grauley Jean Champion, 5/11 Cheryl Hooper Tommy Tatum, 6/20

Recovery from Surgery and/or Illness

Joe Lott Sandy Dickens Anne Mathews

Max K

Richard

Kathy Long

Adam P

Randy Penland In the Hospital/Rehab/Nursing Home **Everett Reiber** 

David & Yolanda Keating, at home Harold Smith, Stonehenge Flora Jean Roberts, Union NH Kay Yandell, Hayesville House

## Sympathy to...

## **Kingdom Prayer Focus**

Thank You, God, for this body of believers who are called to serve You, who are proclaiming the Good News to all who will hear. From those who minister across the country - to the men, women, and Youth here at home, help us to be a light in the darkness. Send us out to extend grace and mercy and to speak life to those who are hurting. Help us to view our community as our mission field and declare our streets to be covered by the blood of Jesus. Show us how to be strong as we stand up for the weak, assist those in need, and be neighborly. Let this church body be a haven of friendship, kindness, and compassion, so that lives here in our community will be changed in the name of Jesus. We ask that You open our doors and fill it with the broken, the disenfranchised, and the hurting. May our hearts and our arms be open wide to show them the same love that You have shown to us. Let them find forgiveness and comfort here in the presence of the Holy Spirit. In Jesus' name, Amen.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### MMBC PRESCHOOL GRADUATION | 5/11

Tomorrow, Thursday, May 11th, eighteen 4 year-olds will graduate from our weekday preschool, well-prepared to move up to Kindergarten. All of our McConnell family is invited to attend their commencement service at 6:00 pm in the Worship Center. Please join us in recognizing these students, their families, and our Preschool Staff!

## **SPECIAL OLYMPICS / 5/11**

The annual Special Olympics on **Thursday, May 11th,** at the Towns County Schools football field. McConnell, led by our Deacons, will be providing lunch that day for the Special Olympics children, their families, and volunteers (300-350 people!). If you'd like to help, we will meet at the Church at 8:30 a.m. to load up supplies. If you'd just like to cheer on these special athletes, come to the Towns County football field at 9:00 a.m. We'll be serving lunch at 11:30 a.m. If you have any questions, contact Dennis White at: 205-914-6269.

## **AWANA BANQUET | 5/18**

In addition to their regular school work, kids in our community have been busy memorizing scripture at the Awana Clubs. They, along with their Awana leaders & volunteers, will be recognized at the annual Awana Banquet on **Thursday, May 18th, 5:30 pm in the Family Life Center**. This is a fun time of celebration for the entire family with the kids sharing what they have learned this year, the presentation of book awards and a special meal for the families!

#### **DEACON RECOMMENDATIONS**

**McConnell Church members** - It's time to begin prayerfully considering your recommendations for the office of deacon for the coming year. Our deacons serve for terms of three years after having been nominated and elected by the church. Nominees must be a McConnell church member for at least one year and meet the biblical requirements for serving. Beginning **Sunday, May 14th**, paper recommendation forms will be available in the Welcome Center or, if you prefer, you can make your recommendations online on the church website at <a href="https://mcconnellchurch.org/deacon-nomination/">https://mcconnellchurch.org/deacon-nomination/</a> The deadline to make a recommendation is **Sunday, June 18th**.

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

The ESL Ministry Team is in need of volunteers to fill in for the summer. They meet each Thursday night at 7pm in the Family Life Center. Volunteers in this ministry do not need to speak a foreign language or be professional teachers. If you speak English and love Jesus, we can teach you the rest! Contact Mary Dolvin at 828-389-9451 or Paola Estrada at 706-970-7823.

<u>Notes</u>	