

Matthew Road Baptist Church ... a place to call home

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### Love Is

"4Love is patient, love is kind and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant, 5does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered, 6does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; 7bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 8Love never fails;" I Corinthians 13:4-8

### Love Is

Often referred to as the love chapter, I Corinthians 13 contains some of the most poetic words ever written on the subject of love. This passage is often read at weddings. These words definitely apply to the relationship between husbands and wives. However, this passage goes beyond immediate, familial relationships. Churches need these words to dictate our interactions with one another. Schools, businesses, and neighbors also need these ideas to guide our encounters. There is no place on the planet where God's standard of love, as expressed in this passage, does not apply.

Reread this passage and contemplate each attribute associated with a life under love's dominion. Notice each of these attributes of true love. Consider each of them carefully. Love is patient – in other words, love is putting others ahead of our own calendar, ahead of our to-do-list, ahead of our own clock or agenda. Love is kind – love involves selecting words that express goodness, and encouragement, and love includes actions that reflect the other person's good over our own convenience. Love is not jealous – in other words, love does not worry about who gets the credit or who gets the attention of others. Love does not brag and is not arrogant – so, love is not motivated by lofty thoughts of others or other's perception of our successes or giftedness. Love does not seek its own – in other words, love is motivated by a love for God and a love for others, such that love constantly puts its own desires, wants, and needs after the wants and needs of others. In our behavior, our motives, and our response to wrongs, love must dominates our thinking and actions. Love does not rejoice in unrighteousness – love involves a desire for the right thing and not evil. Love doesn't celebrate sinful words or behaviors. True love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures. Bringing all of this to a conclusion, Paul says, "Love never fails." This passage calls us to a high standard for our relationships, but it is God's calling on our lives. Reread the passage one more time reflecting on each word.

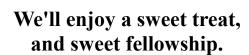
~ Daniel



Summer Kick-off Fellowship

# Do-Not miss Do-Nuts under the Portico!

Join us Sunday, June 4th, from 10:30am - 11:00am, under the Portico in front of the Worship Center, as we welcome Summer.





Hosted by the Fellowship Committee

## Matthew Road Missions Update

### Mexico Missions -

In May, Pastor Ruben & Eldon Tudor were able to make the trip across the country to Monterrey for Rosa Santiago's, one of the previous orphanage children, graduation. They were able to meet with her, and rejoice with her for completing her four year Bible College degree. Two of Rosa's sisters are now attending college, as well. What a blessing!

Rosa is now back in Constitucion, serving in the Children's Home and at the Church. What a journey from arriving at the orphanage escorted by the police, with her siblings, to the orphanage because of the loss of their parents to violence, to completing her schooling!

At the orphanage, there are two new boys, Daniel, who is 12, and Alejandro, who is 14. Neither have had an opportunity to attend school, because of their home life. However, they are beginning to read and write, with the help they get in the orphanage. But the bigger blessing is both have come to accept Christ as their Savior! Please be in prayer that they grow in their relationship with Jesus, as well as lifting prayers for new house parents for the orphanage.



### Children's Ministry



Wacky Wednesdays – Brick by Brick: Systematic Theology for Kids with Lego Challenges & Wet Games on the Lawn, 6:30pm-8pm TSDAS through August 23rd.



Camp 317 Sports Camp - June 5th-7th, 9:00am -12:30pm

WILD WEEK VBS - June 19th-23rd. 6:00pm-8:30pm Online Registration ONLY and available now! www.matthewroad.org/ministries/summer



**Preteen Camp at Sabine Creek Ranch** July 10th-13th, \$220 To register see Brittany Forms & Money due by July 1st.



# Sunday School

Join us every Sunday morning from 9:45am-10:45am as we journey through the Gospel Project.



Sunday Nights 5:30pm Education Building 2nd floor



For kids in kindergarten through 6th grade -Join us for games on the front lawn (weather permitting) followed by girls and boys Bible studies focused on becoming disciples who go into the world to make disciples. This spring we king Disciples will finish our study on the book of Matthew.



Want to stay up to date with us on facebook? Like our page at facebook.com/mrbcchildrens

Questions regarding the children's ministry or how you can join the leadership team? Email brittanymrbc@qmail.com.

# SUMMER FUN IS HERE! CHECK IT OUT ON **OUR FACEBOOK PAGE!**



### Wednesday Night Summer Adult Bible Study

It's not to late to join our overview of Systematic Theology class, Wednesdays, 6:45pm, using the textbook "Bible Doctrine: Essential Teachings of the Christian Faith", by Elliot Grudem and Wayne Grudem. Abridged from an award-winning upper-level textbook on systematic theology, this volume looks at the essentials of faith to give you a firm grasp on seven key topics including "The Doctrine of God", "The Doctrine of Man," and "The Doctrine of the Future." Marked by clarity, strong scriptural emphasis, and detail, it's designed for laypeople and nonprofessionals. No homework required, as we will go over the material in class. However, to get the most from this unique Bible Study setting, we encourage you to obtain a copy of the book for your own study. You may purchase the book online at Amazon or Lifeway.

\*Please note: this will be the only adult Bible Study class on Wednesdays during the summer semester.

### **Short-Term Mission Training Class**

Join us Saturday, June 10th, 8:30am - 12:00pm, in the Worship Center, for a 3 hour training course that we are hosting with GIAL (Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics). This is for those who will be participating in short-term mission trips.



You will learn practical skills and ideas that will make you more effective for Christ on the mission field.

# To RSVP, or if you have questions, please contact Meg Trihus at gial dean-students@gial.edu, for further information.

Summer Events - Save the Date!

Children Wacky Wednesdays 6:45-7:45pm

Sports Camp June 5th-7th, 9:00am-12:30pm

**VBS** 

June 19th-23rd, 6:00pm-8:30pm

Preteen Camp at Sabine Creek Ranch July 10th-13th, \$225

6th Grade Farewell Party

Friday, August 4th, 5:30-7:30pm

Awana Registration Party Wednesday, August 30th, 6:30-8:00pm

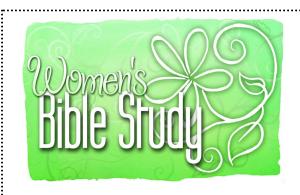
Youth High School Camp June 19th - 24th

Jr High Camp June 26th - 30th

For more info, please contact our children's minister at brittanymrbc@amail.com or our youth minister at matt@matthewroad.org



## Women's Ministry



### Weekly Bible Studies:

### Sunday mornings

Rachel Sullenger & Tiffany Marich
- the book of Acts
Joy Richards & Chris Anderson
- 1st, 2nd & 3rd John

### Sunday nights

Meg Trihus - the Epistles

#### Wednesday Nights

Systematic Theology Class, Sanctuary taught by our Pastor, Daniel Sweet

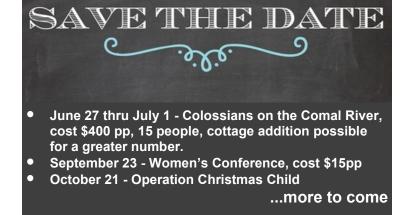
# Friday Mornings, Chick Fil A (Camp Wisdom Location)

Cyndi King - 9:00 am - The book of Acts

### **She Teaches**

Women's Ministry on MRBC's campus uses Psalm 1 as a guide.
A Psalm 1 woman is rooted in the Word of God, allowing the Word to be a stream of truth that will bear fruit in her life.

As She goes, She will teach that the Lord is good. . . to her family, her friends, and everyone She encounters.





Have you ever been on a sabbatical? Have you ever taken time to really just put aside the things of this world and see what the Lord can teach you in a few days as you luxuriate in the truth of his word? Join us as we do that. We will soak up Colossians. On the fifth day, we will return home to then pour out what we've learned into the lives of others.

SPACE IS LIMITED. Secure your reservation today with your \$100 deposit. Have questions or need to RSVP? Contact rachel@matthewroad.org.



## Youth Ministry



Our High School and Middle School camps are right around the corner guys!!

I am so excited about camp this year! We would love to see all of our students participating in camp this year. Camp is a great time for our student ministry

to grow closer together, and for our students to encounter God in a way that they never have before. I have already begun to pray for our students who will be attending camp, and parents I hope that you would join me in praying for our students. Please make sure that you swing by common grounds and pick up a camp packet that includes a camp signup, a camp covenant, and a medical release form. If you have already filled out the medical release form for a prior event this year, then we have your form on file and you will not need to fill a new one out. If anyone has questions about camp please let me know!

Starting in June we will be starting a new series, on Wednesday nights, called Who is Jesus? We wanted to pause the Acts study for the summer so that when our students return they can pick up something that have already been learning. We are very excited for this new series in June because of all the preconceived ideas about who Jesus is, as well as who the world says Jesus is. We will be looking from the very first moment when Jesus is mentioned to the very moment in which He returns.

#### Devotional Thought:

Moral Therapeutic Deism is one of the most rampant thought processes that has entered the church. What is Moral Therapeutic Deism? A god exists who created and ordered the world, and watches over human life on earth. God wants people to be good, nice, and fair to each other, as taught in the Bible and by most world religions. The central goal of life is to be happy and to feel good about oneself. God does not need to be particularly involved in one's life except when God is needed to resolve a problem." "Good people go to heaven when they die.

So what is the cure for this mind set? A clear view of the ascended, enthroned KING! Christ has beaten death and sin. He is not a little God that we can keep in our pockets. We must live our lives seeing that He has supreme authority over everything. Let us keep our minds focused on Him as the risen King!! Galatians 2:20 says, "I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."

~ Matt

# College Ministry

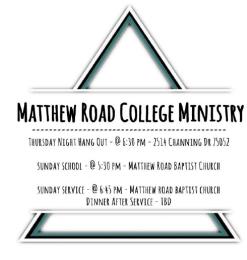


Guys, Tuesday Nights, 6:30pm - 8:30pm @ MRBC, CommonGrounds, lead by Zach Van Veldhuizen

Ladies, Tuesday Nights, 6:30pm - 8:30pm @ 2514 Channing Drive, GP TX 75052, led by Caroline Van Veldhuizen

Guys, Saturday Mornings, 9:00am - 11:00am @ MRBC, CommonGrounds led by Kevin Marek

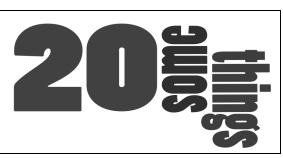
Also Sundays, 9:45am & 5:30pm @ MRBC, see Welcome Desk for info



QUESTIONS? TEXT ZACH (210)818-8002

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## 20Somethings



# Contact Rachel at rachel@matthewroad.org to find out the latest events & activities!

- ~ Sunday Morning 9:45 am: Jeff Morris leading
- ~ Systematic Theology, 6:45pm, see add on the right

### WEDNESDAY NIGHTS, 6:45PM

This Summer, Wednesday nights, we will join the Adult Systematic
Theology Bible Study,
in Fellowship Hall, at 6:45pm.
No homework required, as we will go over the material in class. However, to get the most from this unique Bible Study setting, we encourage you to obtain a copy of the book for your own study. You may purchase the book online at Amazon or Lifeway.



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LAST YEAR WE WERE AT THE ODOR BAUTISTA GAME TO SEE BASEBALL HISTORY, BASEBALL AND DAVID CROWDER. THIS YEAR, AUGUST 20 LET US KNOW IF YOU WANT TO GO!! COST - FREE. (WE HAVE A GENEROUS BENEFACTOR!) SIGN UP EARLY FOR BASEBALL HISTORY.

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## June 2017 Events & Activities

For more information, please see our website, www.matthewroad.org, or call the church office at 972-641-2717.

June 1st: Young@Heart Breakfast at Outlaws, 8:30am

Ladies Bible Study Begins, see ad above

Sports Camp Training, 12:00pm, Ed Bldg, see Brittany

**June 4th:** Summer Welcome, hosted by Fellowship Committee, 10:30am

NewComers Class & Luncheon, 12:15pm, Fellowship Hall

June 5th - 7th: Sports Camp, 9:00am - 12:30pm, MRBC Campus, see Brittany

June 10th: Short Term Mission Trip Training, 9:00am, Worship Center

**June 11th:** VBS Registration in foyer, after each service

Women's Comal Retreat Meeting, 11:15am, Library VBS Planning Meeting, 4:00pm - 5:30pm, Ed Bldng

**June 12th:** Church Office Closed for Staff Development

June 16th: Parents Night Out, 6:30pm - 11:pm, must RSVP to cyndikking@msn.com

June 17th: VBS Set Up, 9:00am - 12:00pm, MRBC Campus June 18th: VBS Registration in foyer, after each service June 19th - 23rd: VBS, 6:00pm - 8:30pm, MRBC Campus

June 19th - 24th: High School Camp, see Matt

**June 25th:** VBS Family Night, 6:45pm, Worship Center

**June 26th:** Jr High Camp, see Matt

June 27th - July 2nd: Women's Retreat "Colossians on the Comal", see Rachel

# Discipleship

### Sunday Nights:

- ♦ College Fellowship Hall, 5:30pm
- Adult Discipleship Choir Room, 5:30pm
- ♦ Ladies Bible Study Conference Room, 5:30pm
- ♦ Young Marrieds Bible Study Fellowship Hall, 5:30pm
- Adult Couples Class Library, 5:30pm
- Guy Talk for youth Common Grounds, 5:30pm, see Matt for exact location
- ♦ Girl Talk for youth Common Grounds, 5:30pm, see Matt for exact location
- ♦ MD² for children Education Building, 5:30pm

### Wednesday Nights:

- Wacky Wednesdays for children Ed. Building, 6:30pm
- Collide for youth Common Grounds, 6:30pm
- Systematic Theology Class Sanctuary, 6:45pm
- \*Please note: this will be the only adult Bible Study class on Wednesdays during the summer semester.

Average Morning Attendance for May: 346 Average 7:17 Service Attendance for May: 133

# Regular Scheduled Activities

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Sundays Marring Warshin	0.20 % 11.00
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Morning Bible Study (all ages)	9:45am
Evening Bible Study (all ages)	5:30pm
7:17 Service	6:47pm
Mondays	
K2 Primary Academy (during the school y	
PAW Program	9:00am
Tuesdays	
MRA (during the school year)	8:30am
Young @ Heart Activities	9:45am
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Wednesdays	
K2 Primary Academy (during the school y	year) 8:45am
PAW Program	9:00am
Collide (youth)	6:30pm
Adult Choir (during the school year)	6:30pm
Wacky Wednesdays (children)	6:30pm
Adult Bible Studies	6:45pm
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Thursdays	
MRA (during school year)	8:30am
Fridays	
Chick time at Chick-Fil-A (Camp Wisdo	om) 9:00am
Saturdays	
Men's Coffee Group (Good Day Café, GP	7:30am

# Financials as of June 2, 2017 (Does not include schools)

<b>Budget Income</b>	\$ 383,330
<b>Budget Expense</b>	\$ (408,103)
Net Budget	\$ (24,773)