January 2019 Events & Activities

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

January 1st: Church Office closed in observance of the New Year Holiday

January 2nd: Church Office reopens at 8:30am

January 3rd: Young @ Heart Breakfast at Outlaws, 8:30am

January 6th: Women's Ministry Accountability Class begins, 4:30pm, Teller Room, see ad on pg 2

January 8th: Shiloh Dessert Fellowship, 7:00pm, Library, see ad on pg 3

January 9th: Women's Ministry Marriage Study begins, 6:45pm, Fellowship Hall, see ad on pg 2
January 18th: Parents Night Out, 6:30pm, Worship Center, must RSVP to cyndikking@msn.com

January 20th: Women's Ministry Team Meeting, 12:00pm, Fellowship Hall



Please join us as we pray for the Mission Team, led by Daniel, as they minister at multiple locations during the month of January.

Regular Weekly Activities

Sundays Morning Worship Morning Bible Study (all ages) Evening Bible Study (all ages) Evening Worship	8:30 & 11:00am 9:45am 5:00pm 6:15pm
Mondays K2 Primary Academy (during the school year) PAW Program	8:45am 9:00am
Tuesdays MRA (during the school year) Young @ Heart Activities	8:30am 9:45am
Wednesdays K2 Primary Academy (during the school year) PAW Program AveNew (youth) Adult Choir (during the school year) AWANA (children) Adult Bible Studies	8:45am 9:00am 6:30pm 6:30pm 6:30pm 6:45pm
Thursdays MRA (during school year)	8:30am
Fridays Chick Time, at Chick-Fil-A (Camp Wisdom)	9:00am
Saturdays Men's Coffee Group (Good Day Café, GP)	7:30am







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Behold, I am making all things new. • Revelation 21:5

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"Seek Him" (excerpts from MRBC's Devotion and Prayer Book originally produced in August, 2008.)

"Behold, the days are coming," declares the LORD, "When I will raise up for David a righteous Branch; And He will reign as king and act wisely and do justice and righteousness in the land." Jeremiah 23:5

The hope of a coming king! As Jeremiah stood in the midst of a nation that was falling apart, God brought this message of hope to Jeremiah. The once great nation of Israel, where David the King reigned, now stood in ruins. The initial twelve tribes were reduced to two. The once spacious Promised Land now consisted of Jerusalem and a few surrounding villages. Where is the hope? Jeremiah continues to deliver God's message of doom, destruction, judgment and defeat. But God does not forget His promises. God promised Abraham to make him a great nation and to bless all the nations of the world through him. God told David that his offspring would be seated on the throne forever. With the nation in ruins some might conclude that God had broken His promises. But God declares that real and lasting hope is still yet future. The best days for Israel and the world are yet to come. There is a righteous Branch, a King who is to come. He will do justice and righteousness. His name is Jesus.

In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely; And this is His name by which He will be called, 'The LORD our righteousness.' Jeremiah 23:6

"The LORD our Righteousness!" That is the name the coming King of Israel will bear. Christ is our Righteousness. The way Judah and Israel will be saved – the way any person can be saved – is the righteousness of the coming King from the Branch of David. Remember the classic hymn, "The Solid Rock." The last verse of the hymn captures this. "When He shall come with trumpet sound, oh may I then in Him be found. Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne." What God revealed to Jeremiah came about in the life, death and resurrection of Christ. The hymn writer, writing after the fact, captures what God did for us in Christ. Christ is our righteousness. I cannot stand before the throne of God based on my own righteousness. "If the Lord were to count inequity, who could stand?" But Christ is perfect and He provides His perfections for you and me. Just as Judah and Israel will dwell securely, so shall we, as we dwell in Christ our righteousness.

Thank You God for sending Your Son to be our King. Thank you my Savior and Lord for providing for me what I could not attain on my own – righteousness. Amen.



Women's Ministry



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

Weekly Bible Studies:

Sunday Mornings

Rachel Sullenger & Tiffany Marich -Book of Acts, Library, 9:45am

Joy Richards -

Hebrews, Lecture Room (by water fountain), 9:45am

Sunday Nights

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the Epistles, Conference Room, 5:00pm

Wednesdav Niahts

Rachel Sullenger -Essentials, Fellowship Hall, 5:30pm

Cyndi King -Book of Acts, Conference Room, 6:30pm

Friday

Cyndi King - 9:00 am -

Book of Acts, Chick Fil A (Camp Wisdom Location), 9:00am



Women's retreat this year will be over Romans 12. When we come to faith in Christ Jesus, what is supposed to change about our lives? In Romans 1-11 Paul lays out in theological terms the doctrine of being justified by grace through faith. Romans 12 begins to outline for us how our lives change once we become believers.

Retreat details:

Friday & Saturday, February 22nd - 23rd (The overnight portion of the retreat will be held at the Liberty Inn in Cleburne.) (Please note: No children allowed on retreat to the hotel)

5:00pm register; at the Inn

Saturday at the Liberty Inn

Check out by 11pm

Saturday at the Church

Meet at MRBC at 12:00pm.

(If your schedule doesn't allow you to go with us to the hotel, please join us at the church on Saturday)

Cost:

\$50.00 for a room with two gueen sized beds (4 to a room.)

\$70.00 for a room with one king sized bed (2 to a room)

\$10.00 for Saturday only portion. (Childcare for Saturday is \$5.00 per child.)

Total amount due at registration. All registration due by January 22nd.

(Additional spots as available through the hotel. Please contact the Inn directly for availability.)

Contact Rachel at rachel@matthewroad.org if you have any questions.

Accountability Meeting

Begins Sunday, January 6th, 4:30pm, Fellowship Hall

Are you making a New Year's Resolution and you just want to be held accountable? Join us on Sunday nights and we will be accountable to each other.



Wednesday Nights

When: Begins Jan. 9th **Time: 6:45pm** Where: Fellowship Hall Cost: the price of a book, if you want one.

(You and Me Forever & Have a New Husband By Friday)



Parents Night Out

Parents Night Out - Jan. 18th

This month at PNO while you are enjoying a little break, we will be having fun with winter crafts, games, and a movie!

COST: \$20 (\$10 for each additional sibling)

HOURS: 6:30pm - 11:00pm

Cost includes crafts, game time, and dinner. Dinner is chicken nuggets, pretzels, oreos, and water.

You are welcome to bring your child's dinner, cost will remain the same.

Please note: You can drop off anytime after 6:30pm and pick up anytime before 11:00pm. Spots are very limited and have to be reserved in advance. Any spots not paid for by Wednesday, January 16th, will be released to the waiting list. Payments are NOT refundable as we staff for reservations.



Shiloh Ministry



Beginning Tuesday March 19th, we will also offer a 10-week Shiloh Bible Study. If you are interesting in signing up for this Bible study, or for more information, please email crystal@matthewroad.org.

If you're in the midst of infertility, or have experienced repeat miscarriages, we invite you to join us for our Shiloh Fellowships. We meet on the second Tuesday of most months, in the library.

Our 2019 dates are:

January 8th February 12th June 11th

July 9th

August 13th

September 10th

October 8th

November 12th

December 10th