

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

3 Carol Pierce	12 Mary Brasfield	24 Jeff Stockwell
5 Doris Conley	14 Maria Dietrich	28 Barb Collins Ashley Hester
7 Jerry Austin	17 Erica Radtke	30 Bonnie Tew
8 Jean White	19 Bonnie Veldhuizen	31 <b>Dana Brooks</b>
9 Chuck Harpst Eleanor Ackerman Pete Belford	23 John Waidley Ron Sackett	

## Anniversaries

23 Jerry & Geneva Dubois	30 Jeff & Lori Stockwell	31 Jim & Alicia Baker
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# Monthly Newsletter

March 2017

## 2017 Creation Conference, March 18-19

### Saturday, March 18

Session 1 – 5:00 p.m. Human Evolution?

Session 2 – 6:30 p.m. The Amazing Oceans

### Sunday, March 19

Session 3 – 9:30 a.m. Dinosaurs! (Breakfast, in the Ministry Activities Center)

Session 4 – 10:45 a.m. The War of the Worldviews

Session 5 – 5:00 p.m. Scientific Evidence for Creation

Session 6 – 6:30 p.m. Mount St. Helens



**Special Note for Parents:** Special Children's program with Steve Harney and Adam Walz, Cool Kids Ministries 3 years – 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

## Note from our Pastor....

2017 is off to a fast start and we continue to see the signs of church health all around us, the month of March will be no exception! Our **2017 CREATION CONFERENCE** will be **Saturday and Sunday, March 18 & 19**. There will be six amazing sessions (topics listed above) for you and your family to attend. Let me give you a word of clarification...there are actually three conferences that are going on all at the same time:

**For Youth and Adults:** Frank Sherwin, with ICR (Institute for Creation Research)

**For Children (grades 1-6):** Cool Kids Ministries, with Steve Harney

**For Preschoolers (ages 3-5):** Cool Kids Ministries, with Adam Walz

**Note:** Childcare (birth – 2 years), will be provided for all six sessions.

**In addition,** Frank Sherwin will be speaking at our Your Spot Community Outreach Ministry (grades 6-12) on Thursday night March 16 and at a church-wide Men's Breakfast on Saturday, March 18 at 8AM. This is going to be an amazing weekend folks! Make plans NOW for you and your family to attend ALL six sessions.

## Men's Ministry

The Men's Ministry is hosting a breakfast for ALL the men (and their sons) of Milan Baptist on **March 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM** in the MAC with guest speaker Frank Sherwin from the Institute of Creation Research. ALL the men are invited to enjoy great message on "Creation Evangelism," fellowship and food.

Our regular meetings and work days on the MAC are still happening, and any help would be greatly appreciated. See Dennis Miller or Chuck Gates for more information.

## Women's Ministry

"Bloom Where You're Planted" is the theme for our Ladies' Spring Luncheon on April 22 at 11:30 A.M.

Our speaker will be Marti Scott. We are busy planning an enjoyable time of fellowship. Tickets will be on sale the middle of March. Ladies \$8...Girls 12 and under \$5.

## SeniorLife Ministry

March Schedule: Wednesdays at 11 a.m.

March 1 – Psalm 38 A Sad State

March 8 – Activity Trip **Holocaust Center**

March 15 – Psalm 39 A Lament on the Limit of Life

March 22 – Psalm 40 Grace Shown and Sung

March 29 – Psalm 41 Triumph over Trouble

Note: a luncheon follows for a donation of \$6

## Children's Ministry Needs

1. We want to create two pre-school classes: one for 2-3 year olds and one for 4-5 year olds. We are in need of teachers and assistants.

2. In order to have three rotating teams for Kids Worship (grades 1-5), we are in need of two more adults to complete the third team.

If you are interested, please see Kathy Winters!

## Kitchen Korner

From the Kitchen Korner! We will be having a church wide breakfast on March 12 at 9:15, when we welcome John and Stacy Ford from Camp Barakel. Look for sign up sheets in the ABF's or in the narthex. We're looking forward to your egg dishes, baked goods, or fruit. YUM! Remember names on dishes!

## Camp Barakel

Spots for summer camp are quickly filling up! We will be transporting kids to and from Flint for the following retreats:

Grades 4-6: August 1-7

Grades 7-9: August 1-7

Grades 6-8: August 8-14

Grades 10-12: August 8-14

## Barakel Update

Join us as we welcome Jon & Stacy Ford on March 12 for our Annual Camp Barakel Report! We will be having a combined breakfast and ABF at 930 a.m.. Sign up for breakfasts can be found in your ABF or at the Nartex. We hope to see you there!

## MLT Meeting

Our next MLT (Ministry Leadership Team) meeting will be Saturday March 11 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 207. Reminder that all 2017-2018 Ministry Action Budgets are due this day as well.

## Facing Darkness

Samaritan's Purse has made a new movie, "Facing Darkness". There will be a special viewing on Thursday March 30. Time and location is TBA. This is one time viewing that we are encouraging you all to consider supporting! The movie revolves around the true story of Dr. Brantly, a doctor that was in African during the Ebola crisis.

## Mission Spotlight:

### John & Faye Waidley

John and Faye serve with CRU (formally Campus Crusades for Christ) out of California



## Children's Ministry Birth – Grade 5

### Sunday School

Join us Sunday Mornings at 9:30am! We have classes for children birth-grade 5

### Kids Worship

Sunday Mornings at 10:45am! Attend church with your parents and then join us downstairs following Children's Sermon!

[www.facebook.com/MBCKidsWorship](http://www.facebook.com/MBCKidsWorship)

### Bible Adventurers

NO Bible Adventurers March 19!

### Awana Clubs

Wednesdays 6:30-8 p.m.

**Cubbies** (3yrs-PreK) Room 121

**Sparks** (grades K-2) Room 102

**T & T** (grades 3-6) Family Center

### March Awana Themes

March 1 – Polka Dot Night

March 8 – Bounce House

March 15 – Candy Share Night

March 22 – Crazy Socks Night

March 29 – Life Saver Night

## Note from our Youth Pastor...

One of my favorite things in Youth Ministry is when you get a chance to connect with students outside of the weekly program. With Sunday School, Your Spot, and C-Squared, we provide many opportunities to enrich the lives of our young people; however, there is something special that happens in those times outside of our programs, and the key to it all is **intentionality**. We have a lot of exciting opportunities looking ahead. Within the beginning of this month, we will have developed our team to take to Bear Branch, Kentucky for our **Teen Missions Trip** in July. We will be having a **Teen Afterglow** following the Saturday Sessions of our ICR Conference on March 18. We are going to Barakel to serve the camp in their **Co-Labor Challenge** on April 21-22, followed by **Homeplate** at Comerica Park the following weekend on April 29. These are just some of the many things we are planning to do with our teens in the Spring! In all of it, I ask that you join us in praying for our students who will be impacted by these experiences. Pray that intentional conversations would occur, that lives would be changed for Christ, and that we will continue to grow into the Teen Ministry family that God wants us to be!