



MILAN BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

September 26, 2021

The Pastor and Deacons are excited to provide an update regarding the pastoral search process for an associate pastor. We have been praying for God's leading, and discussing the needs of our church and our community, as we updated the job description for an associate pastor (you can find the job description on the church website at <https://milanbaptist.org/about-us/>). As with our last associate pastor, there will be an emphasis on youth ministry, but we are very conscious of the needs of all of our people/families, regardless of age or life circumstances; this will be considered as we evaluate the candidates God leads us to. What an encouragement to know that God already knows the man He's chosen for Milan Baptist Church.

As part of the process, we have gained encouragement and insight while reading through a book by Chris Brauns titled, "When the Word Leads Your Pastoral Search". Throughout the book we are reminded that God provides wisdom through His Word by both examples and direct commands; He surely never leaves us without His leading if we just look up, listen, and follow.

We also prayed over who should come alongside the Pastor and Deacons to be part of the search committee. We are happy to announce that we have added Tracey Brooks, Erica Caballero, Jan Hasselbring, and Kathy Winters. We asked these individuals to read through Brauns' book and prayerfully consider if they felt God was leading them to be a member of the team. What a blessing to have these individuals assist in such a critical process, realizing the impacts it will have on the future of this church and God's ministries here in Milan.

Pray as we continue to solicit resumes and seek God's will for Milan Baptist church.

If you have not picked up a "Prayer For Our Pastoral Search" sheet on the media table, please do so and join us in fervent prayer over this matter. The three main prayer points are:

1. Pray for the search committee
2. Pray for the future associate pastor
3. Pray for the people of our church

May God continue work in us and through us as we make ourselves available to do His will for our lives.

God Bless,

Your Deacons

Prayer Requests

- Sackett Family, Carolyn went home to be with the Lord September 18.
- Hewitt Family, in the sudden loss of Tim and Sandy's sister-in-law, Anita.
- Grotbeck Family, in the home going of Lu's father, Bill.
- Marti Scott's sister, Nancy, in ICU with Covid.
- Continued prayer for our nation.
- Jerry Austin, for physical needs
- Judy DuCharme, recovering from health issues at home in CO.
- Kathy Curtis, Barakel missionary, is dealing with some health concerns and a pending surgery. Please pray for her health and insurance needs.
- Gary Kassuba, recovering from hip replacement in rehab at St. Joe.
- Church leadership as they make decisions moving forward
- Gerri Beehler's sister, Belva, dealing with health concerns
- Dorsey Conley, home with home care
- Ron Sackett, battling cancer awaiting scans.
- Debby Russ, recovering from surgery and PRAISE CANCER FREE!
- Our missionaries & their families: Bennetts, Campbells, Christensens, Gardners, Hayward, Jenks, Johnsons, Manduzios (in Italy), Pierces, Rendels, Reeves, Semenchuk, Stralnic, Van Orman, & Waidleys
- Our MBC Shut-Ins: Shirley Krass (Cambrian)& Emma Jane Hall (Senior Solutions)



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Library

We encourage you to visit our church library and take advantage of all of the amazing resources we have to offer! The Library is open on Sundays between Sunday School and Morning Worship and is also open immediately following the Worship Service.

September's Book of the Month: "Victory In Spiritual Warfare" by Tony Evans.

Giving

Many have already asked how our church will continue to meet our financial obligations (utilities, insurance, payroll, and missionary support) during this challenging season. You may provide in your tithes and offerings by one of the following methods:

- If using U.S. Postal system: Make checks out to "Milan Baptist Church" and mail to P.O. Box 147 Milan, MI 48160.

Submit [online](#). Instructions and a link to the secure online system can be found at www.milanbaptist.org. Contact the church if you have any questions.

Weekly Goal: \$8,562
Giving This Week: \$6,540

Through the Bible in a Year Daily Bible Reading Assignment		
Date	Old Testament	New Testament
Sept 26	Isaiah 1-2	Galatians 5
Sept 27	Isaiah 3-4	Galatians 6
Sept 28	Isaiah 5-6	Ephesians 1
Sept 29	Isaiah 7-8	Ephesians 2
Sept 30	Isaiah 9-10	Ephesians 3
Oct 1	Isaiah 11-13	Ephesians 4
Oct 2	Isaiah 14-16	Ephesians 5:1-16
Oct 3	Isaiah 17-19	Ephesians 5:17-33

Birthdays	Anniversaries
Sept 28–Ann Marie Harpst	Sept 27 – Pastor & Lisa Strader
Oct 2 – Paul Dunbar	
Oct 4 – Adah Bushart	
Oct 8 – Arlene Russ	

Movie Night

Join us for a free family movie night on October 10 at 6:30 p.m. We will be showing "I Still Believe" based on the life of Christian music artist, Jeremy Camp. We hope to see everyone there!

