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**Golden Heirs** Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm **Fellowship Hall** 

Bring your favorite potluck food and come enjoy fellowship and fun!



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

March 1st — Nicaragua Medical Mission Trip Lunch Fundraiser March 5th @ 10 am — Clothes Closet March 8th — Daylight Savings Time Begins March 12th @ 6 pm — Ladies Night Out March 13th @ 6:30 pm — Golden Heirs March 15th (a) 3 pm — Caitlyn Morgan's Baby Shower March 20th—23rd — Youth Spring Break Trip March 22nd—29th — Nicaragua Medical Mission Trip March 23rd-27th — Schools Spring Break March 25th @ 5:30 pm — No AWANA (Youth will meet)

### Baptisms By Natalie Butcher



Not only did Jesus command us in the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20) to "go therefore and make disciples of all nations", but to also baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

February brought more baptisms to Marrable Hill Chapel. On the 23rd, two

students were baptized at the beginning of the morning worship service. With many friends and family present, Brody Crotty from AWANA and McKenzie Pate from Youth publicly declared their decision to follow Jesus by baptism.



Now that they have accepted Jesus as their personal Lord and Savior, let us (the church family, family, and friends) Jesus do as commanded us in the same scripture — pull up beside these two young men to disciple them and help them grow in the Lord.



### Youth Group By Blake Dailey

This has been a very fun and great month for the Youth Group — Super Bowl Party, Wednesday Night Services, Sunday School. We have been able to spend such valuable time with the kids. We have averaged around 35 students this month and have been able to reach some new students with the Gospel. On Wednesday nights, we have been coming together for food, then we have a quick game time, followed by small group lessons. God has blessed our Youth Group with spiritual growth and all those kids have been a blessing to work with!



## Outreach Day By Blake Dailey



On February 22, 2020 we had an Evangelism Outreach Day for the surrounding community. We had 17 church members meet at the church. We then took the church flyer and went door to door talking with our surrounding neighbors. We got to talk to them most importantly lasue. There is nothing like

about our church, but most importantly Jesus. There is nothing like getting to serve God and share his love with people!

### Valentine's Day Fellowship By Joan Hershberger



The church Valentine's Day Party comfortably filled the fellowship hall. Young, old and in-between sat down to a fantastic meal prepared by Cheryl McKinnon: Chicken, green beans, potatoes, yeast rolls, salad and cheese cake from Vicki Evans and chocolate cake. As folks went through the line, conversation flowed at the tables and in the line.

Vicki prepared a few games for the evening:

- At each table, we matched Biblical couples in a matching contest.
- Four couples wrote down the characteristic that the husband most reflected from the Galatians passage about the fruits of the spirit. Don and Sue Wilson were the only ones that matched.
- Rachael and Rebekah Cooley won two of the three "How may items in this jar?" games.
- There was also a game of matching paper broken hearts with several others in the room.
- Every table played a 'yes', 'no', pass the candy kisses game before we all left for the night.





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# MHC Clothes Closet By Kay Johnston



Wow! Marrable Hill's clothes closet had a great year of gifting, fellowship, and prayer! 2019 saw 350 people (all ages — men, women, & children) come in the front door.

Those coming in will first gather around, because they are ready to pray and greet one another. We try to spend time visiting and listening to their concerns, needs, and joys. There are always struggles or emergencies (food, fires, weather, finances, or family), so we try to provide for their material or spiritual needs whenever we can.

We do have requests for furniture, appliances, walkers, crutches, etc. Since the closet doesn't have a place for big items, we do have a place for temporary storage. If anyone has such items to pass on, please let us know. The ladies work hard keeping order of all the different things received and try to fill requests.

Many thanks to each one who has faithfully and freely given your time and donations to this church ministry for the last 14 years. Without your donations and prayers, this little house cannot exist.



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Vicki "volunteered" several men to serenade us with "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" while she played an instrument. Blake Dailey was a trooper even though he had never heard this song that was recorded by Bing Crosby in 1934 and 1944.



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Janice McIntyre spent the evening taking pictures and would like to photograph more individuals, couples and families. More pictures





have been posted to Facebook. Natalie also has more pictures on the office PC.

Cheryl recognized her helpers and thanked everyone for coming and helping make February 14, 2020 a lively night of food, fellowship, and fun.

### **AWANA Grand Prix**

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The annual AWANA Grand Prix was held on February 5<sup>th</sup> and was a great success filled with food and fun! Sparks and T&T students battled each other in speed and design. Whether the cars were designed with their parents or with the help of AWANA workers on the Saturday before the event, the variety of designs and styles was great!

While cars were getting checked in to make sure that they met the weight restrictions, pizza and brownies were enjoyed by those in attendance. The cars were then judged by design and later raced. Andy Whitten, former worship leader of Immanuel Baptist Church, was the guest speaker.

Thank you to all that helped make this event possible — racers, parents, leaders, helpers, Andy, commander (Vicki), setup, workshop workers, food providers, etc.



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#### Missionary Briefs By Joan Hershberger

The missionary board held extra meetings discussing how to meet the promised monthly givings for the 18 missionaries that Marrable Hill Chapel supports. A Faith Promise card was created and several gave testimonies or explained how the Faith Promise giving worked. This is above and beyond regular giving. It is personal funds promised to God after spending time in prayer seeking how much God wants you to give and trusting He will meet the needs as they present themselves otherwise.

Praise the Lord, the giving for missions has met the budgeted amount for both January and February. Thank you. We have to do this every month in order to keep our church outreach going around the world.

Some of the missionaries that we have heard from of late:

Jim and Jody Smith: China teachers at the university. The couple was outside the country having their regular physicals when the coronavirus precautions grounded them away from home and waiting on clearance to return.

In their recent missionary letter, the Smiths noted that the school had "rented" them out to another organization and only paid the Smiths about a quarter of the money paid under the contract. They knew they were not being paid fairly, but smiled, kept on teaching and fulfilling their obligations. Their good attitude caught the attention of others who asked, "Are you Christians?" The Smiths had not said anything, but their attitude in a very trying circumstance provided them an opportunity to witness to those who saw Christ-like living in actions.

The Wiebes (Linda and Jacob in Mexico) found a similar opportunity to witness in a difficult situation. A woman borrowed money from Jacob. Then he learned she had taken five times that amount from a family member's store and told the owner she had loaned it to the Wiebes. Sorting out the situation, Jacob made a new friend and contact with a person previously closed to the gospel.

Be faithful in season and out of season. In good times and bad. Honor God with our actions and words.

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**Mert Hershberger** finds many opportunities to witness as he rides the bus. He has made an additional outlet by working in a nearby college cafeteria, speaking with students and guests as they pass by him for checking in. As a peer-to-peer support counselor at the county clinic, Mert has become one of the individuals sent to schools to talk with students in health classes about mental health. Each time of telling his own story, Mert is able to talk about God's major role in his life.

**Kevin and Barbara Roscoe**: This month we dedicated our new House of Prayer venue along with 80 others. At least 20 pastors and leaders attended. It was a fulfillment of promises for our team - to unify the fellowships of the city around a central altar of prayer and worship to the Lord, just as King David did many years ago. We have begun to meet 15 hours every week with the ambition to see 30 hours or more by the end of 2020. Perhaps one day 24/7.

The Roscoes see prayer results:

A few days ago, our team returned from a four-day trip to a nearby country, which has never been opened before to foreigners. Until now.

This country has not allowed movie theaters in 35 years nor women to drive. But things have taken a turn within the last year. Development is at a quick pace to bring the nation into the spotlight. As well, God is on the move among the local people. There are stories of locals coming to know Him that have never been heard before. A family living there for three decades say they have seen more happen in the last three months than last thirty years.

This is an answer to prayers! Four years ago, I stood in this country (but just in the airport) and prayed for God to open the country for His people to freely enter. A year later, our team drove to the desert border to pray for the nation from a distance. We believed God had spoken to us that He would open this nation if we would pray faithfully and not give up. We prayed almost weekly for this country the last four years. Today, our team has access to come and go as often as we like. We are excited to organize more journeys behind the veil. As well to mobilize more prayer and sharing.

Jasmine Shepperson: January and February have been completely

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## SPECIAL DEACON ELECTION On February 9th, a special congregational meeting was held to elect two new Deacons to fill vacancies. James Ghormley was approved to serve for 3 years and Jamie Cottrell was approved to serve for 1 year effective immediately. They will actually serve until the Deacon election in the April of the year that

they roll off the board. There will still be a regular Deacon election in April to replace a Deacon whose term is ending in 2020.

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packed months of ministry as we have launched out on our Carry The Love World Tour!! I have been posting updates on a private Facebook page and would love to add you guys to it so you can stay informed :)

We have gone up the coast of California from Malibu to Sacramento and hit four university campuses holding Gospel gatherings! So far we have gathered 232 students and seen 66 salvations total!! The harvest is so ripe and America is hungry for Jesus!!

