



Madison United Methodist Church

# MESSENGER

“Building faithful disciples, serving Jesus Christ.”

No. 39

December 28, 2016

Sunday Services, January 1, 2017

One service at 10:00 a.m.

No Sunday School Classes or Communion service



MADISON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
INVITES YOU TO HEAR

## DR. SANDRA RICHTER

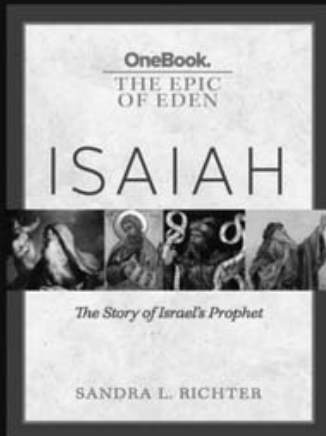
100 POST OAK ROAD MADISON, MS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

THE EPIC OF EDEN: ISAIAH

8:30 A.M. & 10:45 A.M. (SANCTUARY)

9:30 A.M. (CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER)



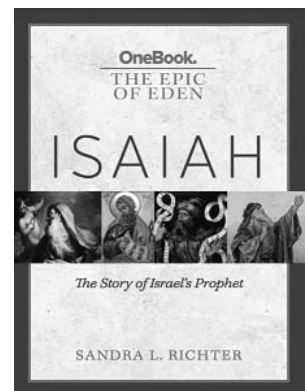
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(601) 856-6058

*Please come and also invite others to attend  
with you to hear from one of the premier  
Old Testament scholars in the world.*

A nursery will be provided for the Saturday session.

The study of Isaiah will continue for 8 weeks each Wednesday evening at 6:15 p.m. beginning January 11.  
Sessions will be led by Rev. Barry Male.

Workbooks to accompany the study will be available for purchase at the church for \$14.00.



# WEDNESDAYS AT MADISON

Wednesdays at Madison Fellowship Meals and Programming have concluded for the Fall semester. We will resume on January 11.

## BMDMI HONDURAS MISSION TEAM MEETING

WHEN: January 5, 2017  
Where: Fellowship Hall Room 204 (upstairs)  
Time: 6:30 p.m.

The deposit deadline is fast approaching. The deposit of \$800 along with your application is due February 1, 2017. The total cost of the trip is \$1600. There are 24 spots available and are first come first serve. For more information or questions, contact Ben Butler at [ben@madisonumc.org](mailto:ben@madisonumc.org) or George Taylor at [georgetay@yahoo.com](mailto:georgetay@yahoo.com)

Why Not Now? Why not join the **Madison United Methodist Men** as we welcome Matt Hopkins, Director of Why Not Now? Ministries of Mississippi, for our January breakfast meeting. Matt will share with us the work of this ministry and how we can help. All men of the Church are welcome – Sunday, January 15, 2017, 7:00 a.m. in the Christian Life Center. For more information on Why Not Now? Ministries, see <https://whynotnowms.org>.



Women's Ministries is hosting a **Women's Ministry Fair** on Sunday, January 8 during coffee time in the Fellowship Hall. We will have information on all of the women's bible study opportunities as well as other Women's Ministries opportunities. Representatives from each study will be available to talk to those interested about what they are studying/when they meet/etc.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



Ann Hampton Lambert, daughter of Heather and Zach Lambert, was baptized on December 18. Heather and Zach also became members of MUMC.



Matthew and Mary Campbell and daughter Marianna Constance joined MUMC on December 18.

# CONCERNS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

## Hospitals/Surgical Centers/Hospice/Assisted Living/Nursing Homes

### Hospital:

**Nichols Center:** Kim Smith

**The Arbor:** Leon and Catherine Williams

**The Blake:** Betty Rosson; Fabia Smith; Dr. Marion Peel

**The Blake, Flowood:** Sonny & Sara Boykin

**Chateau Ridgeland:** Ruth Fullerton

**Brandon Nursing Home:** Elinor Rummel

**St. Catherine's Village Siena Unit:** Bertyle Cochran, Marianne Jenkins; Clara Derrington; Joan Holloway

### Expectant Parents:

**New Baby:** Mary Somers Crawford, daughter of Wil and Melanie Craw-ford and granddaughter of Leland and Priscilla Smith, born 12/20

## *In Memoriam*

- **Joe Mapp—12/28/16**
- Husband of Barbara Mapp
- **Lucy Killens—12/18/16**
- Mother of Craig Killens
- We express our sympathy to the families.

## MADISON UMC PRAYER MINISTRY TEAM LIST

Please continue to turn in names and addresses of family/friends needing prayer for the MUMC Prayer Ministry Team.

We encourage you to turn in prayer requests for other special needs such as expectant mothers, new babies, job changes, relocations, etc.

**The MUMC Prayer Ministry Team covenants to pray for these names for 30 days. Names may be resubmitted to [jackie@madisonumc.org](mailto:jackie@madisonumc.org) if prayer is still needed.**

## Prayer Requests – Family and Friends

Tricia Blaine	Phil/Susan Hinton's friend
Steve Breithaupt	Karen Harper's brother
Ruth Daniel	Sandra Eilders' mother
Patty Rummel Hairston	Betty Jean Rigby's niece
Maxine Hamilton	Cindy Phillips' friend
Jayroe Family	Meredith Morrow's friends
John Rhett Presley	Bronwyn Martin's father
Claire Spencer	Bill/Vanita McMullin's friend

## Prayer Requests – MUMC Members

Hank Baley	The Moody Family
Sara Boykin	Willie Moore
David & Betsy Cowden	Darrell Pitts
Frances Rose Cox	Trey Russell
Susan Dodder	Kathy Waggener
Nellie Paul & Dick Farr	Jerry Williams
Roberta Hickson	

## Pray for Our Deployed Troops

Steven Meadows	Harry/Pam Hyslop's son-in-law, U.S. Army, Kuwait
Mac Parker	Karen Harper's nephew, U.S. Air Force Italy
Phillip Stewart	Judy/Leon Stewart's son, Douglas Stewart's brother, U.S. Air Force, Germany

## MUMC Report

Worship Attendance		Sunday School
12/18	622	322
12/25	276	n/a
Offering		Year-To-Date
12/18	\$81,068.33	\$1,682,372.51
12/25		

# ADULT MINISTRY

Rev. Ben Butler 601-856-6058 (ben@madisonumc.org)

## **MUMC Discipleship Groups: Coming Late January 2017 – Sign-Up Begins DECEMBER 18<sup>th</sup>**

Discipleship groups are being launched at Madison UMC beginning in late January 2017. We invite you to sign-up (see below) and participate in a new way within our family of believers here at MUMC. Discipleship groups will meet weekly to grow in their practice of the marks of discipleship including our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness. Discipleship groups are a way for us to connect on a deeper level with a smaller group of believers outside of the worship service and Sunday school. In Discipleship groups, we will help one another grow in Christ, support, and care for each other within a covenant that respects confidentiality and promotes a deeper intimacy and sharing about our lives. Discipleship groups are not Bible studies, but can be considered life groups. We want to do life with you in the community of MUMC. Sunday school classes, existing small groups, and Bible studies will continue as scheduled.

***Groups will be facilitated by Shepherds and the goal is for each group to have up to 12 members. We ask you to prayerfully consider participating in this ministry of our church!***

SIGN-UP IN THE ATRIUM FOR THE FOLLOWING GROUPS BEGINNING SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18 <sup>TH</sup>	
<b>Who:</b> Singles and Married Couples (age 50's-60's) <b>When:</b> Tuesday or Sunday evenings (specific time and day to be determined by group members) <b>Where:</b> MUMC or in homes <b>Study Topic:</b> Discipleship Essentials <b>Group Shepherds:</b> Bobby and Nita Henry <b>Church Sponsored Childcare Available:</b> N/A	<b>Who:</b> Married Couples (20's, 30's and 40's) <b>When:</b> Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm <b>Where:</b> MUMC <b>Study Topic:</b> Discipleship Essentials <b>Group Shepherds:</b> Micah and Lisa Anglin <b>Church Sponsored Childcare Available:</b> yes
<b>Who:</b> Singles and Married Couples (age 50 +) <b>When:</b> Sunday from 6:30-7:30 pm <b>Where:</b> to be determined <b>Study Topic:</b> Inductive Bible Study of Philippians <b>Group Shepherds:</b> Revs. Linda & Cary Rickman <b>Church Sponsored Childcare Available:</b> N/A	<b>Who:</b> Married Couples (30's and 40's) <b>When:</b> Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm <b>Where:</b> MUMC <b>Study Topic:</b> Discipleship Essentials <b>Group Shepherds:</b> Kaitlyn and Brad Godfrey <b>Church Sponsored Childcare Available:</b> yes
<b>Who:</b> Married Couples (30, 40's, and 50's) <b>When:</b> Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm <b>Where:</b> MUMC <b>Study Topic:</b> Discipleship Essentials <b>Group Shepherds:</b> Jonathan and Paula Adkins <b>Church Sponsored Childcare Available:</b> yes	<b>Who:</b> Singles and Married Couples (30's, 40's, and 50's) <b>When:</b> Sunday from 5:00-6:30 <b>Where:</b> MUMC <b>Study Topic:</b> Discipleship Essentials <b>Group Shepherds:</b> Cary and Tammy Breedlove <b>Church Sponsored Childcare Available:</b> yes
<b>Who:</b> Ladies (intergenerational) <b>When:</b> Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm <b>Where:</b> MUMC <b>Study Topic:</b> Discipleship Essentials <b>Group Shepherds:</b> Amy Taylor and Paula Stubbs <b>Church Sponsored Childcare Available:</b> yes	<b>Who:</b> Moms of toddlers to high schoolers <b>When:</b> Tuesday or Sunday (time and day to be determined by group members) <b>Where:</b> MUMC <b>Study Topic:</b> Discipleship Essentials <b>Group Shepherds:</b> Angie Owens and Michelle Guy <b>Church Sponsored Childcare Available:</b> if group meets on Sundays between 5-7 pm

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<b>Who:</b> Singles and Married Couples (intergenerational) <b>When:</b> Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm <b>Where:</b> MUMC <b>Study Topic:</b> Discipleship Essentials <b>Group Shepherds:</b> Thomas and Missy McElroy Bo and Allison Weems <b>Church Sponsored Childcare Available:</b> yes	<b>Who:</b> Singles and Married Couples (intergenerational) coming with a light heart and open for deep discussion <b>When:</b> Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm <b>Where:</b> MUMC <b>Study Topic:</b> Discipleship Essentials <b>Group Shepherd:</b> Dave Schussler <b>Church Sponsored Childcare Available:</b> yes
<b>Who:</b> Married Couples (20's, 30's, and 40's) <b>When:</b> Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm <b>Where:</b> MUMC <b>Study Topic:</b> Discipleship Essentials <b>Group Shepherds:</b> Nathan and Katie Witt <b>Church Sponsored Childcare Available:</b> yes	<b>Who:</b> Ladies (ages 45 +) <b>When:</b> Tuesday at 10:00 AM <b>Where:</b> MUMC <b>Study Topic:</b> Discipleship Essentials <b>Group Shepherd:</b> Debbie Greenhill <b>Church Sponsored Childcare Available:</b> no
<b>Who:</b> Married Couples (intergenerational) <b>When:</b> Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm <b>Where:</b> MUMC <b>Study Topic:</b> Discipleship Essentials <b>Group Shepherds:</b> Matt and Jenny Caudell <b>Church Sponsored Childcare Available:</b> yes	<b>Who:</b> Men (any age), who would like to answer the question, "What does God expect of us as men (including in the role of husband/father)?" <b>When:</b> Sunday from 5:30-7:00 pm <b>Where:</b> MUMC <b>Study Topic:</b> Discipleship Essentials <b>Group Shepherd:</b> Jerry Robertson <b>Church Sponsored Childcare Available:</b> yes
<b>Who:</b> Singles & Married Couples (intergenerational) <b>When:</b> Sunday from 6:00—7:30 p.m. <b>Where:</b> In homes <b>Study topic:</b> Discipleship Essentials <b>Group Shepherds:</b> Rachel & Larry Peeples <b>Church Sponsored Childcare Available:</b> no	



SIGN-UP BEGINS  
DECEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>  
IN THE ATRIUM

## DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS @MADISON UMC

Groups of up to 12 people in covenant with one another to *DO LIFE TOGETHER* & be built as faithful *DISCIPLES* of Jesus Christ



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### NEW ROOMS FOR ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

BEGINNING JANUARY 15, 2017

Challengers	Room 122 (1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Mustard Seeds	Room 207 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Crossings	Room 208 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Discovery	Room 204 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Faithbuilders	Room 206 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Good News	Chapel Sanctuary
Journey of Faith	Room 416 (New Building, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
Lamplighters/ Truthseekers	Room 127 (1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, Fellowship Hall)
New Covenant	Room 201 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Fellowship Hall)
New Spirit	Room 126 (1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Pathfinders	Room 118 (1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, Fellowship Hall)
Women of Faith	Room 514 (Administration Building)

### 2017 ALTAR FLOWER SIGN UP

**MANY** Sundays are still available—including several in January!

Cost: \$45 for one arrangement or \$90 for both

Please contact Anne in the church office (601-856-6058) to reserve your special date.

### FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY CLASS BEGINS IN JANUARY!

Millions of people have gone through Dave Ramsey's *Financial Peace University* (FPU) and learned God's ways of handling money. They've worked a plan, rewritten their stories, and changed their futures—On average, FPU graduates pay off \$5,300 in debt and save \$2,700 in only the first 90 days!

FPU consists of a nine-week video curriculum taught by financial expert Dave Ramsey, and it incorporates small group discussions that help encourage accountability and discipleship. Groups meet once a week for 90 minutes, and the course is just as fun as it is practical!

Classes will meet at Madison UMC on Tuesdays from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. beginning January 10. Class size is limited to 30 participants. To sign up, contact Lori Blount at [Lori@madisonumc.org](mailto:Lori@madisonumc.org).



### VIPS JANUARY LUNCHEON

Tuesday, January 10, 11:30 a.m. in the Christian Life Center

\$5.00 per person (Please make reservations by noon, Monday, January 9)

Menu: Corn chowder or Italian wedding soup; hot ham rolls; tossed salad; gingerbread with boiled custard

Special program on missions presented by Cory and Abbey Phillips.



## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Renee Scales 601-856-6058 (renee@madisonumc.org)

### CHECK-IN GUIDELINES FOR ALL CHILDREN

Your child's safety is of the utmost importance to us. We strive to provide a safe environment for your children. Our volunteers and staff members complete a background check and training to ensure your child's safety.

**ALL** children, Infants through 6<sup>th</sup> grade, will have to be checked in by a parent or guardian.

Infants, Crawlers, Toddlers, Younger 2's and Older 2's will be checked in at the Nursery Check-In located off the East Hall outside our Sanctuary. There will no longer be any access to the Nursery from the outside East Door.

Three year olds – 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be checked in at our Children's Check-In Desk located in the new Atrium. This will be the only entry point to the Children's Hall. There will be no entrance from the upstairs hall or through the exterior north door .

Upon arrival, someone at our Check-In Desks will walk you through the process of registering your children in our ministry.

Each week when you are checked in using our computerized check in system, you will be given a randomly generated security code assigned only to your family. This code changes weekly. The code will print on a name tag for each child and one will be printed for you, the parent or guardian. This tag will also include any medical notes, such as allergies, that your child may have so all volunteers will be aware. That tag must be presented in order to pick up your child.

Please note we do not allow elementary age children to check in or pick up their siblings.

### PLEASE LET ME KNOW ...

If you are currently working with a Wednesday night class, please let me know if you are planning to continue with your class next semester!

### SAVE THE DATES

January 11, 2017 Wednesday Night Activities Resume

January 26-28, 2017 *Created by God* Class for 5<sup>th</sup> Graders

February 19, 2017 Confirmation Kick-off for 6<sup>th</sup> Graders

June 19-23, 2017 VBS

## STUDENT MINISTRY

Cory Phillips 601-856-6058 (cory@madisonumc.org)

\*Student Ministries Text Updates: text "mumcstudent" to 955-77

Regular Sunday Night Activities will resume on January 8.

Enjoy the New Year's Holidays!!

### STUDENT MINISTRY BASKETBALL COACHES NEEDED

If anyone is interested in coaching for the student ministry Basketball league, we still need a couple of coaches. This does not require any basketball knowledge, just making substitutions and being present at 1 practice and 1 game per week. Contact Cory.



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Dated Material  
Please deliver by: Saturday, December 31, 2016



**MINISTERIAL LEADERSHIP**

Rev. James E. Swanson, Sr., Resident Bishop  
Rev. Connie Shelton, District Superintendent  
Rev. Barry Male, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Ben Butler, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Linda Rickman, Congregational Care

**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

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**MUMC WOMEN'S MINISTRY PRESENTS**

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**IF:MUMC**

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February 3rd and 4th

<b>REGISTER:</b>	<a href="http://register.ifgathering.com/event/ifmumc">http://register.ifgathering.com/event/ifmumc</a>
<b>LOCATION:</b>	MUMC - New Building!
<b>TIMES:</b>	Friday - 6 to 9PM   Saturday - 9AM to 5PM
<b>COST:</b>	\$5.00 + Donation to IF:Gathering Ministry

**FOR DETAILS**

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