

Christian Sympathy

Linet Price, 66, went to be with his Lord and Savior on Sunday, August 6th, 2023.

A life celebration service will be held on Saturday, September 9 at 2:00 pm at Oakland Baptist Church, officiated by Pastor David.

Youth Grind Week

August 20th -22nd 6-9 PM Euto Baptist Church 6019 Hwy 205, Marshville

Middle and High School students join together for three nights of fellowship, games, worship, and the Word!

Worship Band: The Lift Speakers: Pastor Quintell Hill, Pastor Jake Justice, Eben Eddy



Momentum Tour

Youth: mark your calendars for 8/27, 9/10 & 10/1! Momentum is a 3 meeting event for students to learn how to share their faith and make a difference in their communities.

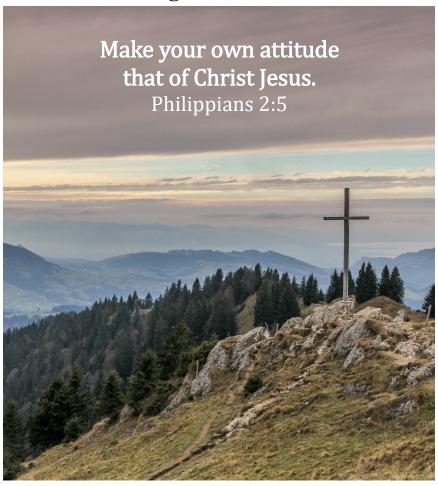


- 1. How to pray your friends to Christ.
 - 2. Share Jesus without fear.
 - 3. Momentum tour rally.

Church, please pray for our youth and the youth groups attending these events. Pray that they will implement the things they learn from the Momentum tour throughout the upcoming school year!



August 20, 2023



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Sunday, August 20 2023

Set Apart for the Journey Philippians 3:12-21

The Point: Growing in Christ is a lifelong journey.

The Bible Meets Life: One of my favorite buildings is St. Stephen's Cathedral, the celebrated church in Austria. Called Stephansdom, it rests in central Vienna. The church was named after Stephen, the first martyr. It was constructed in the mid-1100s but was rebuilt, renovated, and restored for centuries. It isn't the largest or most ornate cathedral, but it's stunning in other ways. Most recognize its enormous tower or dazzling roof, but those aren't my favorite parts.

During a recent visit, I heard a faint but familiar and beautiful sound. I couldn't see the choir, as the chancel was far away and closed to visitors. Listening, I recognized the sound, exclaiming, "The Vienna Children's Choir!" A docent smiled as people immediately rushed the gates to hear the angelic-sounding choir.

For me, St. Stephen's greatness stems not from its interior or external façade, but from centuries of care given to maintaining its acoustics as the building was restructured in size.

Our world values what is seen and immediate, but some things—like precision architecture and Christian maturity—can't be rushed or easily quantified. Spiritual growth isn't instant. As we will see, sanctification takes a lifetime, but the results are worth the effort.

Live It Out: Identify. Identify a specific area of your Christian life where you have stopped growing spiritually. Seek forgiveness and ask for grace to continue growing. Initiate. We grow spiritually through the example of others. Initiate an intentional relationship with a more mature believer who inspires you to grow in your walk with Christ. Invest. Others grow spiritually through our example. Pay it forward by inviting a less mature believer into an intentional relationship with you, to help this person grow in his or her walk with Christ.

Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

Abigail: A Woman of Wisdom

Sunday, August 27 Special Focus: Abigail

(1 Samuel 25:14-17, 23-28, 32-35)

Staying True in a World Far From God

Sunday, September 3 Develop Strong Convictions

(Daniel 1:3-13, 17-19)



Opportunities for Ministry & Service

Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Indoor Worship

10:00 AM Online Worship

Wednesday

6:30 PM Online Worship

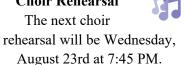
6:30 PM Youth

7:45 PM Choir Rehearsal 8/23

Thursday

Jail Ministry

Choir Rehearsal



Service Attendance

Sunday, August 13

Indoor: 49 Online: 199

Wednesday, August 16

Online: 83 Youth: 10

Prayer Requests

Candy Anderson

Nancy Chapman

Gary Clontz

Christine Hinson

Lillian Lewis

Rich Majewski

Linet Price's Family

Richie Raines

Global Missions

Local Ministries

National Missions (NAMB)

Area Schools/Admin

The Sick & Elderly

Backpacks of Hope Students



Youth Ensemble Rehearsal

Upcoming ensemble rehearsal date:
August 30th at 7:30 PM



Monthly Budget & Offerings

Budget Needs: \$17,787.33



August Offering as of 8/12: \$7,484.00

Service Details

Sunday's Scripture, bulletin, and worship playlist can be found on the Bible event, via the



YouVersion Bible App or OBC's website!