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Gentleness

Have you ever been around someone or something that just made you want to scream? Maybe it's a person or a situation you find yourself in where the only emotion you feel is anger. For me most things that fall into this category, I simply give my 'whatever' attitude toward, but a few things still infuriate me. Direct TV, poor officiating and traffic are among the few things that cause me to feel that anger.

Each day as I drive around in my car, there is a commercial on K-Love that mentions the need for more people to have a gentle spirit. It claims that gentleness is the key to better relationships and that more problems would be solved if we only had a gentle spirit. Let's take the character of Paul, for example. Imagine being able to watch the Apostle Paul in action. How did he treat people, especially those who often failed? In 1 Thessalonians 2:7, Paul gives us a glimpse of how he treated others: "We were gentle among you, like a mother caring for her little children."

Gentleness is a strong hand with a soft touch. It is a tender, compassionate approach toward others' weaknesses and limitations. A gentle person still speaks truth, sometimes even painful truth, but in doing so guards his tone so the truth can be well received. Puritan leader Jonathan Edwards called gentleness "the Christian spirit." Edwards said, "All who are truly godly and are real disciples of Christ have a gentle spirit in them."

I choose gentleness... Nothing is won by force. I choose to be gentle. If I raise my voice may it be only in praise. If I clench my fist, may it be only in prayer. If I make a demand, may it be only of myself.

— Max Lucado —

The Bible goes out of its way to demonstrate Jesus' gentleness. In fact, the Old Testament depicts the Messiah as unusually gentle, telling us that Jesus would not break a "bruised reed" or snuff out a "smoldering wick" (Isaiah 42:3). In the Gospels, Jesus affirmed His gentleness: "I am gentle and humble in heart" (Matthew 11:29). And the apostles often reminded the early church of Jesus' gentleness: "By the meekness and gentleness of Christ, I appeal to you" (2 Corinthians 10:1).

Unfortunately, too many people equate *gentle* with *weak*. Unless you would call the heroic apostle Paul, the fiery Puritan Jonathan Edwards and the almighty Christ "weak" individuals, it is clearly a misunderstanding to assume weakness has anything to do with gentleness. In fact, the reverse is true.

When my daughter was young, she used to love to squeeze my hand as hard as she could, trying to make it hurt. She could squeeze with all her might, but it never hurt. She didn't need to be gentle because she lacked the power to cause me any pain. Then, just for fun, I'd give her hand a tight little squeeze until she yelped. It's the strong hand, not the weak one, that must learn to be gentle.

We need gentle workers in our children & student ministries, especially with our Awana program. People who can be tough and truthful, but who can maintain composure and are gentle and can correct in love not anger. If you want to be involved in a rewarding ministry where children are loved and faithfulness is rewarded, then we have a place for you.

Running with Him,

Lee



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F.Y.I.

welcome to the **FAMILY**

Adrienne Fraley

deepest **SYMPATHY**

...to the family of Myra Schuster, sister of Graham Duvall

...to the family of Said Belaud, husband of Cindy Thomas

...to the family of Opal Hagy in the loss of John M. Hagy



Baby Shower for Heather Minor

Saturday, March 11 at 2 P.M.

In the Narthex

She is registered at Walmart & Babies R Us.

Wednesday Nights at 6 P.M.

For kids from
K- 8th graders



MBC serves at the Frankfort Soup Kitchen

the third Tuesday of each month.

If interested in volunteering, please contact
Kathy Parr at 502.875.8337 or kylerskathy@yahoo.com.
Items needed for the Soup Kitchen are napkins, paper towels
and presweetened Kool-Aid. Please put in the Narthex.

THANKS

My family and I are very thankful to God for a church-family like Memorial Baptist Church. We thank you for the enormous support you gave us during the remembrance service for our beloved husband and daddy, Dr. Sam Oleka. You really made it a very memorable occasion by your presence, prayers, and well wishes.

Our special thanks to Virginia, Pastor Mike, Deb, Bill, and Chris for their individual efforts and contributions to make sure the occasion was successful and less stressful to us.

Thank you all, and may the abundant blessings of God remain with each and everyone of you and your families in Jesus' name, Amen!

In His love and service,
Amaka Oleka (For the family)

Thanks to everyone for your calls, cards, visits, and other expressions of sympathy following the loss of my sister, Myra Duvall Schuster. It is such a great comfort to know others care during times of sorrow.

Thank you Again, Graham Duvall



Traveling Choir Coming This Spring

In the spring Donna Fint is going to start a traveling choir. This group will meet once a month and go to different locations to sing, like nursing homes.



SUNDAY, March 12

For the Record

	Sunday Jan. 22	Sunday Jan. 29	Sunday Feb. 5	Sunday Feb.12	Sunday Feb.19	Totals
Bible Study	90	100	109	105	97	
Worship Service	118	114	108	123	116	
Budget Offerings	3,538.00	4,285.89	6,130.23	3,553.00	6,699.00	24,206.12
Lord OT Harvest	670.00	1,140.00	1,845.00	1,570.00	3,980.00	9,205.00
Designated Gifts	73.00	200.85	56.00	350.00	351.00	1,030.85
Total Gifts	4,281.00	5,626.74	8,031.23	5,473.00	11,030.00	34,441.97

No Prayer Blitz
until first Wednesday
of April.

Stewardship Meeting
Wed., March 8 at 5 P.M.

Business Meeting
Wed., March 8 at 6 P.M.

Deacon Meeting
Sunday, March 12
12:15 P.M.

MARCH

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Bible Study, 10 A.M. Bible Study., Awana & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M. Worship Prep, 7:30 P.M	2	3	4
5 Bible Study, 9:30 A.M. Worship Service, 10:50 A.M.	6	7 GYF Luncheon, 12 NOON North American Mission Study, 6 P.M.	8 Bible Study, 10 A.M. Stewardship Mtg., 5 P.M. Business Mtg., Awana & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M. Worship Prep, 7:30 P.M	9	10	11 Baby Shower for Heather Minor, 2 P.M. GYF Steel Magnolias, 2 P.M. Winter Jam, 6 P.M.
Annie Armstrong Week of Prayer March 5-12						
12 Daylights Saving Bible Study, 9:30 A.M. Worship Service, 10:50 A.M. Deacon Mtg., 12:15 P.M.	13	14	15 Bible Study, 10 A.M. Bible Study., Awana & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M. Worship Prep, 7:30 P.M	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18
19 Bible Study, 9:30 A.M. Worship Service, 10:50 A.M.	20	21 Soup Kitchen, 12 NOON	22 Bible Study, 10 A.M. Bible Study., Awana & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M. Worship Prep, 7:30 P.M	23	24	25
26 Bible Study, 9:30 A.M. Worship Service, 10:50 A.M.	27	28 Women's Shelter Meal, 6 P.M.	29 Bible Study, 10 A.M. Bible Study., Awana & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M. Worship Prep, 7:30 P.M	30	31	

weekly schedule

Children & Youth Bible Study	9:30 - 10:40 A.M.
Adult Bible Study	9:40 - 10:40 A.M.
Sunday Worship	10:50 A.M. - 12 NOON

wednesday

Adult Bible Study	10 A.M.
Adult Prayer & Bible Study	6 - 7:30 P.M.
Awana (age 3 - 8 th)	6 - 7:30 P.M.
Worship Preparation	7:30 - 9 P.M.

birthdays

1 Katie Ammon- Scott	14 Sonny Clark	25 Sadie Dungan
3 Brandon Pulliam	17 Brenda Poe	26 Josh Bowen
5 Becky Devore	19 Pauline Clark	Ronnie Dunn
6 Sara Stewart	Walker Hall	27 Adrienne Fraley
9 Debbie Moore	Tyler Whitt	30 Janice Newton
Ruth Day	20 Hobbs Cheek	Garrett Wilhite
10 Zach Barker	21 Pam Hershey	Grayson Wilhite
Sydney Bowen	24 Wayne Dunn	
13 Sadie Weaver	Lindsey Hammond	

Workers Schedule

We would like to remind everyone that our contract with the cleaning people does not include the cleaning of the Bible Study classrooms or the kitchen/fellowship hall. Now is the time for the MBC family to step-up and volunteer with duties in the church office and cleaning the church every other week. God has gifted each of us with abilities so we can make a contribution to His kingdom. Don't wait to be recruited, but look for opportunities to volunteer.

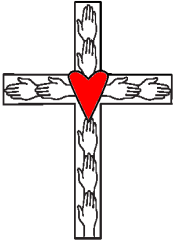
Contact the church office if you would like to volunteer your time to help around the church.

	March 5	March 12	March 19	March 26
Ushers (Jim Franklin 352-1556)	Bob Fentress Hobbs Cheek Joe Cheek Sonny Clark JD Moore	Bill Wallace David Banks Tony Bratcher Graham Duvall Bill Evilsizor Michael Fraley	Barry Lynch George Bennett Greg Roush Seth Roush	Jim Franklin David Collins Nick Dungan Kyle Fisher Steve Lanphier David Starkey David White Shelby White
Noah's Ark - Crib-2 Yr. (Paula Collins 226-4450)	Steve & Janet Lanphier	Denise Gibson Ruth Wiley	Nick & Amy Dungan	Kevin & Lindsay James
The Garden - 3-4 Yr. (Stephanie Starkey 352-7972)	Kathey Parr	Becky Devore	Hobbs & Dawn Cheek	Erin Wheeler
Narthex Workers (Donna Jones 695-4527)	David & Stephanie Starkey	Bob & Bonita Fentress	Steve & Janet Lanphier	Pam Hershey Donna Jones
Sunday Van Driver (Jim Franklin 229-6030)	Jim Franklin	Brian & Karen Tackett	David White	Greg Roush
Lock-up	Yvonne Beghtol	Yvonne Beghtol	Yvonne Beghtol	Yvonne Beghtol
Worship Prayer Ministry	John Reed	Wayne Dunn	Betty Mason	Bonnie Feedback
Deacon Door Greeter (David Banks)	Narthex John Wilhite Hallway Yvonne Beghtol	Narthex David Banks Hallway Hobbs Cheek	Narthex Kevin James Hallway John Wilhite	Narthex Amaka Oleka Hallway Kevin James
Prayer for Pastor	Hobbs Cheek	Yvonne Beghtol	Kevin James	David Banks
Wednesday Night Workers				
Awana Meals	Erin Wheeler	Kevin & Lindsay James	Bill Wallace	Brian & Jenn Ringrose March 29 Benny & Linda

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