

TODAY: May 5

- 8:30a—Elder's & Deacon's Prayer
- 8:45a—Prayer Time (all ages)
- 12:30p—AWANA Appreciation Lunch
- 4:30p—Drama Team Practice
- 7:15p—CCY S.N.A.C. at Duron's

THE WEEK

- Mon.** May 6—6:30—8:00p Women's Ministries **Coffee Talk** at Hyde Perk in Boise
- Tues.** May 7—11:30a **J.O.Y.** Group Potluck Lunch at the church—Food Assignments: A—F= Salad; G—M = Dessert; N—Z = Main Dish—Donna Lee Velvick-Lowry a representative from the Hope House in Nampa
- Wed.** May 8—7:00p **Mission Committee** Meeting in #126
- Sat.** May 11—9:30a Women's Ministries **Quilt Day** in the East Wing



[weekly activities are listed on the back of the bulletin]



- May 14—5:30p Deacons Constitution Revision Meeting
- May 16—11:45a **W.O.W.** Ladies Lunch at Smoky Mountain Pizza 980 E. Fairview in Meridian
- May 24-27—Memorial **Work Weekend** at Camp Pinewood
- May 25—9:00a—12:00 Noon **New Members Class**
- May 27—Jun 6—**Pastor Randy's Togo** Ministry Trip (Bible Geography Course)
- Jun. 7-17—**Mexico** Mission Trip—contact Pastor Dave for details
- Jun. 12—12:30p—6:30p American Red Cross **Blood Drive** at the church—sign up online at www.redcrossblood.org
- Jul. 26-28—**MFBC in the Mountains** at Water's Edge Campground in Cascade—For those non-campers, contact *The Ashly Inn* for prices and availability—Questions contact Brian Rhom or Byron Henrickson
- Aug. 5—9, 2019 **Vacation Bible School** from 9:00a—12:00 Noon



Register your children or yourself as a volunteer online at: www.mfbc.org

Micah Chamberlain / Rocky Mountain High School
 Emily Cukurs / Boise State University
 Ethan Welk / Meridian High School
 Alexia Touchstone--Hoff / Corbin University
 Kenny Winters/ Home School
 Noah Wojcik / Boise Classical Academy

CLASS of 2019

Ministry Assignments

May 5:

- Greeters:** Ham (F) Peterson (B)
Ushers: Mike / Thane / Vio / David
Nursery:
- **AM:** Kathy H. / Rosy
 - **SS:** Jeremy & Hillary
 - **PM:** John & Erin
- Children's Church:** Christy (Teacher)
 Marietta / Garrett (Helpers)
Junior Church: Viktor & Inna
PM Children's Ministries: Sue & Heather
Sound Booth: Audio / Christopher (AM & PM)
Video: Scott L. (AM & PM)
Safety Team: Craig (AM) Mike (PM)

May 12:

- Greeters:** O'Hara (F) Vivian (B)
Ushers: Carl / Alan / Lloyd / Jason
Nursery:
- **AM:** Kelly / Amanda
 - **SS:** Marietta / Anna B.
 - **PM:** Robin / Jacque
- Children's Church:** Christy (Teacher)
 Hailey / Iyana (Helpers)
Junior Church: Viktor & Inna
PM Children's Ministries: Sue & Heather
Sound Booth: Audio / Alex (AM & PM)
Video: Anna (AM & PM)
Safety Team: Luke (AM) Jim D.(PM)

Summer Camp Schedule 2019

June 24-28	Junior Camp
July 1-6	Family Camp 1
July 8-13	Junior High Camp
July 15-20	High School Camp
July 29-August 3	Family Camp 2
August 19-23	Adult Camp



Camp Pinewood
McCall, Idaho

Register online: www.camppinewood.org

MERIDIAN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

May 5, 2019
9:30 AM Service

Pianist: Scott
Song Leader: Jim

Welcome/Announcements

Hymn #107—*Fairest Lord Jesus*

Hymn #44—*Come Praise and Glorify*

Hymn #179—*'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*
Greetings

Prayer & Offering: Pastor Dave

•Welcome Guests

•Special Music: Jason

Hymn #111—*We Come, O Christ, to You*
[Dismiss Children]

Scripture Reading: Garrett

Message: *Jesus Claims To Be God*

Text: John 8:48-59 Pastor Randy

Closing : Jim

6:00 PM Service

Pianist: Michelle

Song Leader: Pastor Dave

Hymn #361—*By Faith*

Hymn #354—*The Church's One Foundation*

Hymn #332—*Oh, How Good It Is*

Communion / Pastor Dave

Message: *The Church in Fellowship Together*

Text: Acts 2:23-37 Pastor Randy



Check the Missionary Board in the north hallway for recently posted missionaries prayer letters.

May 12—June 16—Help Lifeline Pregnancy Care Center by participating in the *Change for Life*. Fill a baby bottle with pocket change, cash, or check. Sign out the bottles you take. Return the baby bottle, regardless if it is full or not. Questions call the church office. Thank You.



Jerry & Donna Layton

Philippines / Semi-Retired

Prayer Requests & Praises:

- Thank you for your prayers for Jerry during his radiation treatments which were completed in Nov.
- We are so thankful for every one of you who pray for us, and for our faithful supporting churches! Because of Jerry's health, we decided to stay in the country this year and visit our supporting churches.
- We have reported to all our supporting churches. We plan to start scheduling international travel again in 2019. Please pray for wisdom in scheduling.
- We'll be living out of our travel trailer when we're not ministering in our supporting churches, Jerry plans to work on his companion book for our Creation Worldview Seminars, and Donna hopes to work on our missionary memoirs.

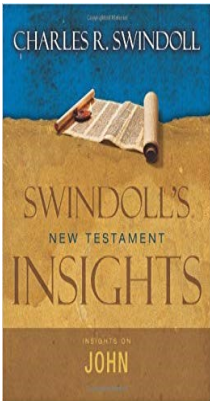
	Deposit Report 2019
	April General Fund Budget:
	\$40,307.69
WEEK: April 28, 2019	
General Fund:	\$12,391.50
Special Offering:	\$898.00
Deposit:	\$13,289.50
MONTH: APRIL	
General Fund:	\$39,115.21
Special Offering:	\$10,147.93
Deposit:	\$49,263.14

Excerpts from Good Books

Insights on John
Charles R. Swindoll

Commentary on John 7 & 8

Jesus was a radical individual, a most imposing personality. Not intimidating, not frightening, but imposing. Formidable. Unafraid. He entered the temple to find people groping about in spiritual darkness and thirsting for divine truth, and He boldly stated, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, 'From his innermost being will flow rivers of living water' " (John 7:37-38). "I am the Light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life" (8:12). He fearlessly spoke the truth without apology and joyously walked in the truth with His Father—and therefore, He found Himself in constant trouble for His uninhibited love of truth.



Jesus understood better than anyone else the price for speaking and living the truth, because He is divine truth incarnate, the light made flesh. Matthew recalled a particularly shocking statement by Jesus: "Do not think that I came to bring peace on the earth; I did not come to bring peace, but a sword" (Matt. 10:34). The purpose of a sword is to divide. Physically, it separates one part of a body from the rest. Figuratively, the sword of truth is so sharp that it can slide between the imaginary bond of soul and spirit to lay bare the intentions of humankind (see Heb. 4:12). And socially, the sword separates groups into two categories; it attracts those who will surrender and incites to violence those who will not. No room for compromise before the gleaming sword of truth! Surrender or fight.

Have you surrendered? Are you fighting?

— Submitted by Pastor Dave