

TODAY: August 22

- ◆ 8:30a Elder and Deacon Prayer Time
- ◆ 8:45a Prayer Time (all ages)
- ◆ 11:00a SS Classes (all ages)
- ◆ 5:00p-5:45p Impact Volunteer Training Meeting / E107 & AWANA Registration begins today—register for AWANA at the table in the foyer anytime

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS:

- Mon.—Wed. Aug. 23-25—Junior Boy's Campout at Horsethief
- Thurs. Aug. 26—2:00p-3:00p Reserved N128 / Jessup /Knutson

Regular activities on the back of the bulletin]

SAVE THE DATE!

Aug. 29— 5:00-5:45p AWANA Leaders Meeting in RoomN126

Aug. 29—5:00p-5:45p Impact Volunteer Training Meeting/E107 & AWANA

Registrations—register for AWANA at the table in the foyer anytime

Sept. 1—6:30p-8:00p Impact Volunteer Training Meeting & AWANA Registrations / Room E107

Sept. 2—9:30a & 5:30p Women's Fall Bible study begin both at the church

Sept. 2—12:00p Area Pastors Fellowship Meeting



Sept. 8—6:30-8:00—AWANA & begins

Sept. 11—8:00a-1:00p Teens to Togo Yard Sale / Car Wash / Bake Sale—All proceeds go to support the trip—see Bake Sale bulletin insert

Sept. 11—1:00p—5:00p Reserved Auditorium & Ministry Center / Tappert

Sept. 12—5:00p—5:45p IMPACT FAMILY NIGHT Training meeting second Sunday of each month Sept. —May (with the exception of Nov. 14)

Sept. 12—6:00p Special Guest Dr. Ken Mays in Concert at MFBC

Sept. 19—5:00p Teens to Togo Meeting in N122

Sept. 23-25—Ladies' Retreat at Camp Pinewood in McCall—watch for sign ups in the foyer

SAVE THE DATE! Cont'd

How To Disciple and Counsel From Scripture

Conference Sept. 24-25*; Oct. 29-30; Nov.19-20

*Passions of the Heart—Spiritual Counsel for Stubborn Sexual Sins—Dr. John Street—Cost: \$120 for all three events—Brochures available from our church office—Register at:

<https://ambassadorbiblefellowship.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/870075>

Sept. 30—Celebrate Camp Pinewood—at MFBC Doors open at 5:00p—Silent Auction at 5:30p—Dinner at 6:00p—No Charge! (offering will taken)

Oct. 1-2—Check in at 2:00p at Camp Pinewood—Missions Promo Event Presented by: ABWE (South Asia-East)

Pre-Register at <https://argo.page.link/Rrv1N>

Oct. 16—Fall Bible Conference with Doug Bookman "The Days of His Flesh"

Nov. 14—5:00p Annual Ingathering Harvest Banquet in the Family Ministry Center

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS:

August 22:

Nursery:

AM: Donna & Charlotte

SS: Farel & Jean

PM: Colette & Kelly

Sound Techs: Yakov / Jason (AM) & (PM)

Security: Ray (AM) Charlie C. (PM)

August 29:

Nursery:

AM: Debra & Serena

SS: Brian & Mary Ann

PM: Connie & Sara

Sound Techs: John / Anna / Kurt (AM) & (PM)

Security: Gary W. (AM) Jim D. (PM)

MERIDIAN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

August 22, 2021

9:30 AM Service

Pianist: Sara M. / Song Leader: Jim

Baptism: Jim

Welcome / Prayer: Pastor Randy

Hymn #125—Come, Christians, Join to Sing
Song—Psalm 107:1-9

Special Music: Mercies Anew (#84) Sara M.

Hymn #425—Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken
Hymn #422—See, He Comes

Scripture Reading: Zechariah 8:1-23 Rick

Message: "When the Fasts Become Joyful Feasts"
Text: Zechariah 8:1-23 Pastor Randy

Closing Hymn #119—There Is a Higher Throne

6:00 PM Service

Pianist: Sara M. / Song Leader: Scott

Special Music: Emily Cukurs

Message: "The Prince of Peace"

Text: Zechariah 9:1-10 Pastor Randy

Deposit Report 2021	
August General Fund Budget:	
	\$51,476.72
WEEK: August 15, 2021	
General Fund:	\$7,020.00
Special Offering:	\$1,374.57
Deposit:	\$8,394.57
MONTH: AUGUST	
General Fund:	\$37,506.04
Special Offerings:	\$19,773.98
Deposits:	\$57,280.02
Building Fund Balance as of 07/31/21	
\$70,371.79	

MISSION FOCUS:

August



Pete & Deb Steele

Baptist Network NW

- In Feb. we started attending church in person and Pete began preaching again!
- March "Refuel" event with our Youth Pastor & Wives Retreat
- Winter Camp—TLC —Dec. 28-30, 2021
- Counseling Training Weekends 2 & 3, ACBC Fundamentals Track, finishing up 2020 sessions.
- April—Special get-away gift to Coeur D'Alene, ID Annual Refine BNN Conference in Colville.
- We are so enjoying discipleship/mentoring three young couples. God has blessed with these young men and women's desire to glorify Him in their marriage relationships.
- Health praises: We are finally able to report Pete is gaining stamina and strength. These past seven months have been months of physicians, tests, and working through fatigue as a result of COVID along with ministry responsibilities.
- Continued prayers for Pete's health for minimal Parkinson's symptoms and tremors to stay controlled so he can function with writing and typing.
- Deb's health: Resolution of swallowing and esophageal issues this past year. May physician appointments/tests yielding more questions than answers.
- Wisdom for Pete in several different difficult counseling situations where he is ministering to pastor and people.
- TLC—prep and planning—teams are in place and we are on track for TLC Winter Camp in Antelope, OR, Dec. 28-30, 2021.
- BNN Refresh Retreat, Sept. 13-16, Cannon Beach, OR—we are in the midst of registering for this event.
- Aug/Sept: Pulpit Supply for a pastor who has current health issues
- Fall Biblical Counseling Teaching: Fundamentals Courses in Meridian, ID Sept. 24-25; Oct. 29-30; and Nov. 19-20.
- Continued strength and stamina building to do the work of the ministry—THANBK YOU for praying!



Dr. Ken Mays, a man who has spent his entire life making and teaching music. For the past 34 years, he has taught music

theory and piano at *The Master's University*, and beginning this fall he will transition into the role of professor emeritus.

Mays' passion for the piano began in fits and starts. He learned the instrument when he was six years old. When he was 11, his church's pianist married and left town, and he was chosen as the replacement. This began a lifetime of serving musically in churches — even if he was ambivalent about music in the beginning.

As he got older and eventually became a music student at a Bible college in Fort Wayne, Ind., his goal for the future was to become a high school band director. But during his freshman year, the music faculty told him he should focus on the piano. As much as Mays values excellent music, the legacy he hopes he has left is a legacy of faith. Whether it's with his students or with his children and grandchildren, he has endeavored first and foremost to pass down his own love for Christ. Without that, he says, even the highest musical achievements are worthless.

Mays has written many hymn arrangements over the years for his students to use, working for 10 or more hours on each one as he tailors his students' favorite tunes to their chosen instruments. He believes that continuing to bless these young men and women and alumni in this way will be plenty to keep him busy.

Though his position at TMU will be changing, Mays' love for the school remains the same.

"As I'm with alumni, present students, and colleagues, I marvel at what a wonderful family this is. It's like we're already having fellowship that resembles what we're going to have in heaven. This is my family, here, closer than some of my own genetic family—the ones who don't know Christ—because you can't talk about the same stuff with the freedom that we can here.

"I want to encourage us all to continue to look to the Lord and to pray for students who are serious about wanting to serve the Lord and grow in Him—and that we won't only have those students, but that we'll continue to have faculty who trust the Lord."

Mays has been an example of that trust for more than 30 years at TMU. And he continues to inspire his students and colleagues to embody that same faith.