



CBC News

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A GREAT COMMISSION CHURCH

CALLING ALL MEN

One thing that is sure in our society is that men in large numbers are absent. No, I don't mean from the football stadiums, political events, blackjack tables in Vegas or the battlefield. Men are largely absent in our homes. This is disturbing because of the unintended consequences it produces.

The products of fatherless homes are far more likely to develop slowly. They are more likely to commit crimes. They will make far less money than two-parent homes. They will more likely have children out of wedlock. They will most likely not go to college. They are more likely to pass on generational poverty.

This was not a problem in the 40's and 60's. Most homes from all races were places where the father was present. Unemployment, education and social ills were far less.

I have been calling men to step up in the home life, social life and church life. There are three things we as men can do to build strong homes and thus strong communities. We need to commit to God in our **work life**. In Colossians 3:23 it says, "whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord..." At your jobs, you can step up by sharing Christ or starting a Bible study or inviting people to church.

Next, we need to commit to God in our **wedded life**. In Ephesians 5:25 it says, "Husbands, love your wives as Christ loves the church..." We need to show our wives we love them by our commitment to them and our families. This kind of love is not a feeling but a determination of the will. Men, determine to love your wife as much as you determine to follow your favorite team or hunt for your favorite wild game.

Lastly, we need to commit to God in our **worship life**. In Ephesians 5:18-21, it says, "...be filled with the Spirit...speaking to one another in psalms, hymns and spiritual songs...always giving thanks to God the Father." When we surrender to Christ as the priority of our life, our lives will be lives of worship and service. People will "see our good works and glorify our Father in Heaven." If we ever want to move our society toward Christ, we must start at our jobs, families and worship Him with all of our heart. Men, when we step up our families, churches and culture will experience true revival.

Just a Servant,

Pastor Mike

WORKERS for MARCH

Building Attendant: Tom Chappell

Nursery

Mar 5 Beth Etheridge

Mar 12 TBA

Mar 19 Crystal Thompson

Mar 26 TBA

Counting Committee

Mar 5 Dr. Robert Etheridge, Betsy Jordan

Mar 12 Tabitha Gardner, Christi Morris

Mar 19 Amy Chappell, Sara Thompson

Mar 26 Mike & Michele Lattanzio

Ushers

Mar 5 Tom Chappell, Les Odom

Mar 12 Aiden, Benji, & James Thompson

Mar 19 Sean Briley, John Thompson

Mar 26 Jay Gardner, Lenn Gardner

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

7 Men's Fellowship Supper, 7 PM

14 Deacons Meeting, 7 PM

17 St. Patrick's Day

19 3rd Sunday Potluck Luncheon

20 Visitation, 7 PM

FAITH PROMISE MISSIONARIES



Elan & Rani Rajamani
International Friendship Ministries
Bloomington Branch
PO Box 1364
Bloomington, IN 47402-1364

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

6 Elizabeth Ann Geddings

7 Effie Russell

8 Kathy Lee

10 Maybin Gardner

16 Lani-Grace Powell

25 Christian Hussey

27 Karen DeCosta

29 Chuck Goff

Dale Thomas

Please call the church office if we have missed your birthday so that we can add your name to the list.

PRAYER MINISTRY

CBC Members

Anessa Alfred

Johnny Baker

Jennie DuRant

Valorie Evans

Maybin Gardner

Dan McInnis

Ray Richburg

Shaun Richburg

Mackenzie Thames

Effie Russell

David Young

OCC Items Collected for March

For this month, we are asking for Quality Crafts – handcrafted items made with love – and simple craft kits. *Please keep in mind that some who receive a shoebox will not be able to read/write English.*

Look for kits that could be easily completed even if the instructions could not be read.



Take any questions to Patti Odom.



CREATION
MUSEUM.
Prepare to believe.

Monday,
Sept. 18th
thru
Thursday,
Sept. 21st

Cost per person: \$762.00 (Single) \$542.00 (Triple – Adults)
\$597.00 (Double – Adults) \$150.00 (Children 10 and under)

Itinerary: Mon., Sept. 18 Board motor coach in the morning, arriving in
Lexington, Kentucky by 5 PM
Tues., Sept. 19 Visit The Creation Museum
Wed., Sept. 20 Experience The Ark Encounter
Thurs., Sept. 21 Travel home, arriving by late afternoon

Cost includes: All transportation and accommodation expenses
Tickets to both venues
Meals (3 breakfasts, 2 dinners, and 1 lunch)

Deposit of \$150 per person due by Wed., May 31st. Balance due by Tues., Aug. 1st.

Trip must include 35 passengers. Refunds given in full up until July 18, 2023. After that date, no refunds given, but you may find someone to take your spot.

A limited amount of wheelchairs and scooters are available to rent at each location.

Signup sheet/more information on the front pew in sanctuary.

Call Patti Odom with any questions – 803.468.2136.

*May God give you....
For every storm, a rainbow,
For every tear, a smile,
For every care, a promise,
And a blessing in each trial.
For every problem life sends,
A faithful friend to share,
For every sigh, a sweet song,
And an answer for each prayer.
~ Irish Blessing*

