

MADISON FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

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Welcome to Madison Church! We are glad you have joined us today. We are here to worship the great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who died for our sins that we may have forgiveness, and who rose from the dead that we may have blessed lives here and eternal life hereafter.

If you are a guest, we are especially glad to have you. Make yourself at home! Our prayer is that you will sense the love of God and the love of God's people. If you have questions or concerns, please speak with any of our people. We will be glad to talk with you. We will gather in the gym after service for our weekly SALAD (Sunday Afternoon Lunch And Devotion). Everyone is invited.

Upcoming Events

SALAD	Today	Gym
R & D Group	Sep 9, 6:00 PM	Paul and Diane's House
Bible Study	Sep 11, 6:30 PM	Church

Sunday School – 9:30 AM

Children's Class (ages pre-K – 1st grade) - Upstairs

Children's Class (6th grade - Up) - By Copy Room

Adult I - Room 216 Adult II - Room 214

Ladies Class - Conference Room

Children's Class (2nd – 5th grade) - Room 212

Children's Church – 10:45 AM

Children (ages 3–10) - Room 212

Madison Catechism

WHAT IS SIN?

Sin is a violation of the law of God (1 John 3:4).

Sundays		Wednesdays	
Sunday School	9:30 AM	Adults	6:30 PM
Morning Worship	10:30 AM	Youth	6:30 PM
Sunday Afternoon	Lunch Noon	Children	6:30 PM

Our SALAD today will be held in the gym, hosted by Melinda Stamper. Barbeque chicken sandwiches are on the menu. Feel free to bring sides, desserts, and drinks.

We are privileged today to have **the Champion family with us**. Billy and Sunni have been serving Philadelphia Free Will Baptist Church in Folkston, Georgia, since 2020. They have recently been appointed as **missionaries to Japan**. This fine couple met at Welch College, where each earned an undergraduate degree. Billy recently added to that a master's in theology and ministry, also from Welch. They have three children: Jude, Isaac, and Sophia. They will be speaking in both our combined Sunday school classes and in the worship service. Then we will hear from them again at our SALAD.

The **Reading and Discussion Group (R & D Group)** will meet **September 9, at Paul and Diane's house**. Contact Pastor Paul or Mitchell Moody if you have any questions.

World Missions Offering! We collected \$6153 for the offering!! This will greatly help in the spread of the gospel to foreign lands. Thank you for your gifts. If you still want to contribute, mark your check or envelope WMO.

On Saturday, **September 14**, at 9:00, the **North Alabama Association of Free Will Baptists** convenes **at our church**. We will enjoy good singing and preaching and sweet fellowship with fellow believers. The meeting will last until around noon. We are also asking for volunteers to provide food and beverages such as juices, fruit, breakfast casseroles, and pastries for the break at 9:45. We will need the food to be at the church no later than 9:00 a.m. We also need a volunteer to make coffee. Please see Beth Rogers with any questions.

On Thursday, September 19, all ladies are invited to Beth Rogers' house for dominoes and dinner. Just a fun evening of food and fellowship. Please bring finger foods. Beth will provide drinks and dessert. The meal is scheduled to begin at 6:00.

On Saturday, September 28, Apples of Gold in Settings of Silver, a ladies' retreat, will meet at First Free Will Baptist Church in Florence, Alabama, from 9 AM to 2 PM. Several speakers will encourage and challenge us as Christian women. The cost is \$20 per person and will include lunch. Registration closes on September 14. Please see Mary Yerby ASAP if you would like to attend.

October 27 we celebrate the **retirement of our debt!** This service will double as **Homecoming**. We will cap off the day with a delicious catered lunch! Don't miss this time of rejoicing over how God has blessed our congregation!

Christmas Shoe Boxes – As fall approaches, we are getting close to the time to prepare Shoe Boxes for Mexico and Operation Christmas Child. Shoe Boxes for Mexico will be due in late October. The time for Operation Christmas Child is mid-November. We encourage you to fill boxes for these worthy causes. If you would like to help by donating items or funds to fill shoeboxes, see **Mary Yerby** or **Rachael Ford**.

Marriage Retreat!! Friday night, November 1, we are planning a retreat at **Fall Creek Falls State Park** in beautiful Spencer, Tennessee. The cost is \$200 per couple. If you are interested, see or contact Matthew (205-495-9744; matthewpuckett2@gmail.com) or Arry Puckett (205-495-8037; arrysarahpuckett@gmail.com). Please make your checks to the church and indicate "Retreat" in the "For" section.

Pastor Paul is working through **questions and answers regarding basic Christianity in his Sunday morning sermons**. In upcoming weeks we will examine the Ten Commandments. These are great opportunities to invite the unchurched to come and learn about our faith.

Sunday School Refreshments – Mike and Rick's class is providing refreshments for September.