

# MADISON FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

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## September 10, 2023

*Welcome to Madison Church! We are glad you have joined us on this Lord's Day. 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 the Lord especially speaks to you, please seek out any of our people. We will be glad to pray with you. Following our morning service, we will enjoy a meal and devotion at a nearby home.. You are invited to be a part of this.*

### Upcoming Events

SALAD	Today	Mike and Beth's House
Book Group	Sep 11	Paul and Diane's House
Bible Study	Sep 13, 6:30 PM	Church

### Sunday School – 9:30 AM

Children's Class (ages 3–7) - Upstairs

Children's Class (ages 8–11) - By Copy Room

Adult I - Room 214

Adult II - Room 216

### Children's Church – 10:45 AM

Children (ages 3–10) - Room 212

### Madison Catechism

#### CAN A SAVED PERSON EVER RETURN TO A STATE OF NOT BEING A CHRISTIAN?

Though a believer enjoys the keeping power of God (John 10:28), he can stray into sin and harden his heart against God's convicting power to the point that he could abandon his faith in Jesus. Such a person is lost forever and without hope (Hebrews 6:4–6).

Sundays

Sunday School            9:30 AM

Morning Worship        10:30 AM

Sunday Afternoon Lunch Noon

Wednesdays

Adults                    6:30 PM

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Children                 6:30 PM

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**Our SALAD (Sunday Afternoon Lunch and Devotion)** today will be held at Mike and Beth Rogers' house (122 Alderwood Drive, Madison, AL). With the near arrival of the fall season, a Fall Tailgate (without the football!) is planned. Feel free to bring tailgate/picnic food, drinks, and desserts. Or, just come enjoy the fellowship and meal!

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**Thank You** - Thank you, thank you, thank you. I can't say it enough. The flowers for Mama and the ones for me were beautiful and a delightful surprise. I don't know how people make it through trying times without the support of the church family. From Mama's surgery to my cataract surgery, the prayers, texts, and visits were so appreciated. Bro. Paul and Bro. Mike gave themselves to help us, and we so appreciate it. Thanks again for thinking of us and for loving us. In Christian Love, Annette and Peggy

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**Sarah DeWitt** has been approved to **travel to Puerto Rico to help in the missionary building project** there. Genesis Academy, a Christian school under the direction of Jose Correa, is expanding, and its leaders need help. The cost of the trip will be around \$1400. **Please give as you are able to support Sarah** in this great cause. Mark your gifts "Sarah." We have collected \$590 so far.

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**Attention Ladies** - The mission of **Community Bible Study** is "to make disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ through caring, in-depth Bible study, available to all." In our area, a Ladies Class meets on Thursday mornings at Summit Crossing. There is also an online class available that meets on Tuesday evenings. It is not affiliated with any denomination. It is just in-depth study of God's Word. The studies are focusing on Ephesians, Ruth, and 1 & 2 Samuel this year. Classes run from August 24 through May 5. If you are interested, **Christine Struthers** would be glad to answer any questions or direct you to the CBS Coordinator, Andrea Jensen, for registration.

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**Ladies Retreat** - All ladies are invited to a retreat to be held on October 6-7 at Hamilton Free Will Baptist Church in Hamilton, Alabama. Ask Pastor Paul if you want more information.

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Attending our **Wednesday night Bible study** is a great way to get a spiritual boost in the middle of the week. We are examining **Ezra, a great narrative of God's work in a wicked world**. We start at **6:30** each Wednesday and finish up about 7:30.

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Help us be more intentional in collecting items for **Christmas shoeboxes** throughout the year. October 22 we will pack shoeboxes using what we've been storing. If you prefer to collect items and pack your boxes at home instead, that is perfectly fine. **The category for September is tools (flashlights, batteries, eating/kitchen utensils, sewing kits, garden gloves).**

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

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Bulletin Announcements - **If you have an announcement for the bulletin, please** email Betty Ragsdale at bragsdale2002@yahoo.com by Thursday at noon. **Thank you.**