

MADISON FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

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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 our pastor or any of our people. We will be glad to pray with you.

Upcoming Events

SALAD	Today	Mike and Beth's House
Discussion Group	May 22, 6:00 PM	Paul and Diane's House
Bible Study	May 24, 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

WHAT ARE THE SCRIPTURES?

The Scriptures are God's inspired and inerrant message to mankind (2 Timothy 3:16). Whatever the Bible says is true is true. Whatever it says is false is false (John 17:17). There are sixty-six different books of Scripture, thirty-nine in the Old Testament and twenty-seven in the New Testament.

Sundays

Sunday School 9:30 am

Morning Worship 10:30 am

Sunday Afternoon Lunch Noon

Wednesdays

Adults 6:30 pm

Youth 6:30 pm

Children 6:30 pm

SALAD – This week's SALAD is to be held at Mike and Beth Rogers' house (122 Alderwood Drive, Madison, AL) following our morning worship service. **Grilled hot dogs and buns** will be provided. Feel free to bring sides, drinks, desserts or just come and enjoy the fellowship and meal.

We will also be honoring David Beck for his graduation from Grissom High School. A money tree will be available if you would like to contribute a monetary gift for him. Look forward to seeing everyone there!

Book Study - Our discussion group will meet tomorrow night, May 22, at 6:00 PM, at Paul and Diane's house. We are now discussing *The Gospel Comes with a House Key* by Rosaria Butterfield, but we will soon be wrapping up and selecting another. Our new book will be *Strange New World: How Thinkers and Activists Redefined Identity and Sparked the Sexual Revolution* by Carl Trueman. If you are interested in becoming a part of the group, please email Pastor Paul (paulvh57@gmail.com), and he will order a book for you.

Ladies Evening Out - All ladies are invited to dinner and fellowship on May 23, at 6:00 PM, at Dianna Walls' House (117 Fox Den Ct., Madison, AL). A variety of salads is on the menu. See Mary Yerby or Dianna Walls if you have any questions.

Attending our **Wednesday night Bible study** is a great way to get a spiritual boost in the middle of the week. We sing a song together (often one none of us has ever sung before but to a familiar tune), discuss what it means, share various requests, pray, and then study a passage of Scripture. We are just beginning to examine **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. You are invited!

Don't forget that **Robby Parker records a Sunday school lesson each week** here in our sanctuary. These are then aired online during the 9:30 hour and are available for later viewing through our Facebook page. **Thanks to Robby** for faithfully teaching **and to Rodney Yerby** for coming in early to record these lessons.

Help us be more intentional in collecting items for **Christmas shoeboxes** throughout the year. Each month in the bulletin we will highlight a category. If you are able, collect items in that category throughout the month. On the last Sunday of each month, a box will be set up in the hallway for you to deposit what you've collected. In October, 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 May is personal care items (soap, wash cloths, toothpaste, water bottles, etc.).**

Sunday School Refreshments - Rodney's class is providing refreshments for **May**.

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