

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 sense the Lord working in your heart, please seek out any of our people. We will be glad to pray with you. After our service this morning, we will gather in the gym for a delicious meal and devotion. All are invited.

Upcoming Events

SALAD	Today	Gymnasium
R & D Group	Not meeting this week	
Bible Study	April 24, 6:30 PM	Church
Rest of the Family Offering	April 28	

Sunday School – 9:30 AM

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

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

Adult I - Room 216 Adult II - Room 214

Adult III - Conference Room

Ladies Class - Room 212

Children's Church – 10:45 AM

Children (ages 3–10) - Room 212

Madison Catechism

WHAT DOES THE EIGHTH COMMANDMENT MEAN?

The eighth commandment teaches that private ownership must be respected and not violated in any way.

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 (Sunday Afternoon Lunch and Devotion)** today will be held in the gym hosted by the Ragsdales and the Moodys. Barbeque pork will be provided. Feel free to bring sides, desserts, and drinks. Come enjoy the meal and fellowship.

Congratulations to our young people who competed at the Alabama State Meeting yesterday in Birmingham. They did a great job, and we are proud of them all! We will share the final results in our next bulletin.

Ladies, don't forget about our new class led by Michelle Morgan and meeting each Sunday at 9:30 in Room 212. Solid and practical help for living, welcoming friendships, and mutual encouragement are part and parcel of this group. If interested, contact Michelle Morgan (678-471-5765; michelleann.morgan@yahoo.com).

My Dear Church Family, **Thank you for all the expressions of love** (food, texts, flowers, etc.) that y'all have sent my way. I have been so encouraged by each one. I am very blessed to be a part of this community of believers that knows how to show God's love in word and deed. I love you all! **Diane**

This Saturday, April 27, at 8:00 A.M., Seth and Michelle Morgan, along with the girls, will be **moving into their new home!** We want to **help them**. If you are able to assist, even if for an hour or two, please let Pastor Paul know ASAP (paulvh57@gmail.com; 615-506-7913). **They are moving from 173 Joe Phillips Road, Madison, AL 35758 and moving to 126 Dawn Drive, Toney, AL 35773.** Help on either end of the move will be appreciated. Thanks in advance for your help. If you want to contact Seth, you can reach him at 615-509-2688.

Next Sunday, April 28, is the day to give to the **Rest of the Family Offering**. Each year we encourage contributions that support various denominational ministries that don't have a special day for giving assigned to them. These include: the Executive Office, Women's Ministries, Board of Retirement, Free Will Baptist Foundation, Vertical Three Conference, Commission for Theological Integrity, Historical Commission, Media Commission, and Music Commission.

Pastor Paul is working through **questions and answers regarding basic Christianity in his Sunday morning sermons**. These are great opportunities to invite the unchurched to come and learn about our faith. Upcoming weeks will examine such questions as: What is baptism? What is the church? Each week we will explore biblical answers that should help us better understand and see the truths of Christianity.

The **Reading and Discussion Group (R & D Group)** has finished the book *Gentle and Lowly: The Heart of Christ for Sinners and Sufferers*, by Dane Ortlund. Mitchell Moody did an excellent job of leading these discussions. We will soon be selecting a new book and plunging in. Our practice is as follows: After enjoying a meal together (lately at the apartment of Mitchell and Bethany), the group discusses what was read the week before. If you would like to be a part, please let Pastor Paul know (615-506-7913; paulvh57@gmail.com).

Trinity Camp 2024 - The camp dates have been published for Junior and Teen Camps this summer. Junior Camp (Ages 8–12) meets June 10–14 with Nick Coleman leading. Another Junior Camp meets June 17–21 with Michael Cox in charge. Teen Camp (Ages 13–18) meets June 24–28 under the leadership of Charles Cook, and another Teen Camp meets July 8–12 with Jonathan Washak directing. If you are looking for a way to be a blessing and to receive a blessing all at the same time, please consider sponsoring a camper this summer in honor of or in memory of a loved one. Each gift given of \$140 provides the resources to provide a week of camp to a well-deserved camper. Parents, if you have questions or need more information, please see Pastor Paul.

Sunday School Refreshments - Michelle's class is providing refreshments for April.

Don't forget your mailbox! Your personal church mailbox is located in the front office (Room 203), and we frequently put church announcements, cards, and other items in these boxes.