

August 5 Bulletin Announcements

Now Enrolling

GT Kids is accepting enrollment! We offer care to children ages 6 weeks-5th grade. Ages 3-5 receive a full preschool education, and all meals and snacks are included in your tuition! We also offer an elementary program during all scheduled school breaks. Contact Sarah Barnes at 765-288-7309 for more information!

GTKM Spiritual Disciplines Challenge (age 3 years - 5th grade)

Glad Tidings Kids Ministry recently began an incentive program called "The Vault" to encourage children to develop spiritual habits at home. Children are encouraged to memorize scripture, witness to friends, have devotions, pray, serve others, worship, and use their Bible. "The Vault" is a prize store that rewards kids for practicing these habits, serving as a tool to spur your child towards the goal of loving God more. Contact Pastor Dan at danvanderbilt@munciegt.org if you have questions!

GTSM The Hunt (6th-12th grade)

This Wednesday, August 8, beginning early at 6:00 p.m. and ending at 8:30 p.m. The Hunt is our annual scavenger hunt that takes place all over Muncie. Students who participate will need to pick up a permission form for themselves and for any friends that they want to bring. Forms must be signed by a parent and returned to Pastor Josh **today** in order for students to participate.

GTSM Fall Retreat 2018

September 21-23 at Lake Placid in Hartford City! Fall Retreat is for students in grades 6-12, and we encourage students to invite their friends to this event. Early bird registration is \$85, due by August 26. After this date, the price is \$90. The last day to register is September 9. For parents with multiple students attending, the price is \$85 per student. You can pick up an information packet and register in the Family Resource Center.

Legacy (Adults 55+) Monthly Luncheon

Special date this month: Thursday, August 23 at 10:30 a.m. in Conaway Hall. Join us for music with Pastor Clayton and Lori Ramsey, and a question and answer session with guest missionaries. Bring your friends and a dessert or side dish to share; chicken will be provided.

Men's Lunch & Fellowship

Friday, August 17. Men of all ages, join us for lunch with our Grub Runners group! We will meet at the church at 11:00 a.m., and carpool to Becky's Happy Mule Cafe in Anderson for a time of food and fellowship. Sign up at the Connect Kiosk or call Pastor Jeff at 288.7309.

CORE Breakfast

Next Sunday, August 12, during the 11:00 a.m. service in Conaway Hall. New to Glad Tidings? Learn more about our church and find out how you can serve, get connected, or become a member! The CORE is also a prerequisite for church membership. Sign up at the Welcome Center today!

Annual GTSM Open

Saturday, August 18 at the Albany Golf Club, shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. The GTSM Open is an annual fundraiser with profits sending students who need assistance to Fall Retreat in September. We are currently taking registration for teams, cost is \$50 per player or \$200 per team of four. Sign up and pay by Sunday, August 12 in the Family Resource Center.

Fifty Days of Prayer

Join us today through September 23 as we devote fifty days to praying together; a prayer guide is enclosed in today's bulletin. These fifty days will coincide with Pastor Kevin's **Advance** sermon series. The sanctuary will be open each Wednesday from August 8-September 19 for an unstructured prayer time from 6:00 a.m.-7:00 a.m. and noon-1:00 p.m. We encourage everyone who is able to join us as we pursue God's will in prayer!

Advance: Our Church in the Next Century Sermon Series

August 5-September 23. As one studies the life and growth of the early Church in the Book of Acts, **ADVANCEMENT** is always evident. Stagnation was never part of the Church's early history. Glad Tidings has been in existence for nearly a century and next year we will celebrate our centennial. It is important that we continue to **ADVANCE** and never settle into spiritual ease or mediocrity. Pastor Kevin will be sharing a very important 8-week series, **Advance: Our Church in the Next Century**, running concurrently with 50 days of prayer, and will unveil the vision God has given to us for our next century. We will explore our church's **challenge, call, future, and opportunity**. The series will conclude on September 23 when we break ground for the Student Ministries Center addition and remodel and commit ourselves corporately to invest in the next century.

Grissom Breakfast Buddies Needed

Begins Tuesday, August 7. If you have time to spare any weekday morning throughout the school year, from 7:45 a.m.-8:05 a.m., we are in need of volunteers to serve as Breakfast Buddies at Grissom Elementary. Breakfast Buddies spend time with students in the cafeteria each morning before school starts, assisting with breakfast and helping them get their day off on the right foot. You must have a Muncie Schools volunteer form on file; if you have not filled one out yet this year, you can pick one up at the Welcome Center. Contact Amy Cooper at 288.7309 or amycooper@munciegt.org for more information.

Family Dinner and Prayer Night

Friday, August 24. Join us for a taco dinner at 6:15 p.m. in Conaway Hall followed by an hour of guided prayer for missionaries and the unchurched they are reaching from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Bring the

whole family! Childcare is available for infant-preschool during the hour of prayer; elementary age kids and teens are encouraged to attend and pray with their families. Dinner is \$3 per person; please pay in the Family Resource Center no later than Sunday, August 19.

New App for Giving Available!

We have a new app for giving! Go to the App Store for iPhone or the Google Store for Android and search for **Elexio Community** (*not Elexio Check-In*). After you download the app, tap on the word "domain" until it's highlighted. You will then type over the highlighted "domain" with our domain name, which is "munciegt" (don't type the quotes). You will then sign in using your username and password from the old GT app, or create a new account if it is your first time giving. Once you are in, tap on "give" and you can choose options for a recurring or one-time gift. If you have difficulty logging in or have questions, contact Amy Cooper at 288-7309 or amycooper@munciegt.org.