



MACEDONIA
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Baptist Church

THE MACEDONIA CHRONICLE MARCH 2024

MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH.

Loving God – Loving Others – Serving All

Senior Pastor - Dr. Wade Lott

Interim Associate and Youth Pastor - Pastor Donnie Jarrard

Music Minister - Dr. Ken Gabrielse

Director of Children's Ministries - Mrs. Wendy Gleaton

2024 is off to a great start at Macedonia! God is moving and providing for His church in multiple ways. We had multiple people join the church during the month of March and we want to say "welcome" to them. Help me welcome the following individuals to our faith family: Tim Ledford, Earl Hunter, Kimberly & Maelei Johnstone, Joe & Bea Nichols, and Seth & Chloe Marshall and their children Tate & Leah. In addition to the blessing of new families, God has also continued to bless us with great attendance. For the month of March (not counting Easter) we had an on-campus average attendance of 242. That is an 18% increase over the same time period from last year. We also had the privilege of receiving a very generous donation to our Properties Fund from the estate of Brother John Teschke. Brother John left our church over \$336,000 from his estate. We pray that this money will be used to reach many with the Gospel message. Another great milestone in March was the unanimous calling of Brother Donnie Jarrard to be our next Associate & Youth Pastor. Brother Donnie will begin his full-time service with us in June, at the conclusion of the school year. Praise the Lord for an incredible March!

As we move into the month of April, there are a few upcoming events that we want to call to your attention. First is the "Ladies Tea Party" on April 6th. If you would like to be a part of this event, register online at the church website or call the church office by April 2nd. Next, please pray for our Peru Mission Team of myself, Tammy Lott, David & Faye Roberts, Kayla Osborn, and Lisa Ledford. We will depart for Lima on Friday, April 5th and return on Friday, April 12th. Please pray for travel safety and that the Lord will use us to further His kingdom in Peru. The last event that I want to share with you is our Spring Revival. The meeting will begin on Sunday morning, April 14th and continue through Wednesday night, April 17th. We will have a different speaker for each service and I believe that we have some of the most gifted communicators in the state of Georgia coming to be with us. Sunday morning, we will have Dr. Kevin Ezell, President of the North American Mission Board. Sunday night we will have Rev. Steve Foster of the Georgia Baptist Mission Board. Monday night Rev. Jeff Crook from Christ Place Church in Oakwood will be joining us. Our speaker for Tuesday night is Rev. Jason Britt, Lead Pastor of Bethlehem Church in Winder and Wednesday night's speaker will be Rev. Larry Wynn, former Pastor of Hebron Baptist Church in Dacula. Our guest Worship Leader for all services will be Brother Bradley White from FBC Summit, MS. You don't want to miss even one of these services! Please invite people that need to know Jesus as their Savior. It is our prayer that many will come to salvation through these meetings.

Church family, thank you for the blessing of serving you as your Pastor. Tammy and I consider it a high honor to be a part of this great fellowship of believers. Have a blessed April!

In HIS Service,
Pastor Wade



Happy birthday to you! 🎂

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Birthdate</u> |
|--------------------|------------------|
| Gail Centaur | April 1 |
| Dallas Manus | April 2 |
| Gwen Childress | April 4 |
| Bonnie Le Durham | April 4 |
| Bill Kendall | April 4 |
| Ben Kight | April 4 |
| Keith Penland | April 4 |
| Alyssa Chastain | April 5 |
| Mattie Nicholson | April 6 |
| Christie Melton | April 7 |
| Emma Kate Ledford | April 9 |
| Jett Simms | April 10 |
| Neyland Davis | April 12 |
| Ryan Osborn | April 12 |
| Jean Kendall | April 13 |
| Grace Pirkle | April 14 |
| Tiffany Swan | April 14 |
| Bentley Hedden | April 16 |
| MacKenzie Thomason | April 16 |
| Kayla Osborn | April 17 |
| Josie Bradley-Cole | April 18 |
| Ken Gabrielse | April 18 |
| Brandon Walls | April 18 |
| Ginger Turnipseed | April 19 |
| Darrell Barrett | April 20 |
| Colton Bender | April 20 |
| Douglas Chastain | April 20 |
| Reeves Hedden | April 20 |
| Ollie Kimsey | April 20 |
| Dan Chastain | April 24 |
| Jamie Beck | April 25 |
| Scott Bradley | April 26 |
| Andrew Watson | April 28 |
| Shirley Youngblood | April 28 |
| Vickie Gibson | April 29 |



Wednesday Dinner Menus:

**April 3 - Tater Tot Casserole,
Slaw & Green Beans.**

April 10 - No Meal

April 17 - Revival - No Meal.

April 24 - Tacos & Taco Salad

**Don't forget to make a
reservation each week!**

Can you believe that we are already a quarter through 2024?! We have so many events to look forward to in the upcoming months, but let me tell you about something spectacular that happened during Family Game Night; Tim Ledford, the grandfather to one of our kids, got saved! Church family, this is the reason that we have these activities, so God can use our gifts and talents to reach others for His glory. Praise the Lord for this precious soul! Thanks to all the volunteers that worked so hard to make Macedonia KidZ Family Game Night 2024 a great success. Also, thank you to the families that attended this fun night; we love you! If you are being led to volunteer in children's ministry, please contact me. We would love to have you serve alongside of us.

Easter Sunday is March 31st. Nursery and ETC will be available during all three services, 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11:00 AM. We will be having KidZone during the 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM service. You will need to bring your kids directly to the fellowship hall for KidZone on Easter Sunday; they will not be dismissed from the worship service on that day. Our theme this year is GAME OVER or GAME ON; the disciples thought it was GAME OVER when Jesus was nailed to the cross, but little did they know, 3 days later, it would be GAME ON. Praise God for a risen Savior! It's never over until God says it's over! "The angel said, . . . 'You are looking for Jesus . . . He isn't here. He has been raised from the dead.'" Matthew 28:5,6.

Wednesday, April 17 is Macedonia KidZ Family Revival Night. Families eat at 6:15 in the fellowship hall, then at 7:00, parents will be dismissed to attend revival upstairs while the kids will participate in KidZ Revival downstairs. As Christians, we are called to be the hands and feet of Jesus; serving as He did, here on Earth. In Matthew 25:40 Jesus tells us, "Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me." When we serve others, we are serving Jesus. Will you GO and SERVE where He sends you? Please register at, www.mbchiawassee.org/macedonia-kidz, so we can get a count for food. INVITE your friends!

On Tuesday evening, April 23, Macedonia will be hosting the Special Olympics Celebration Banquet again this year. Church family, please be at the church around 5:30 to cheer on the athletes in the parking lot as we celebrate their accomplishments! Afterwards, the athletes and their families will stay for the celebration banquet in the fellowship hall.

We are excited this year to be Partners in Education with Towns County Elementary School serving our teachers and the 4th and 5th grade classes. In May, Macedonia, will be hosting a field trip for both the 4th (Friday, May 17) and 5th (Tuesday, May 21) grade classes from 10 AM until noon at Galaxy Bowling in Blairsville. If you are interested in being a volunteer for this event, please contact me for more details.

Macedonia KidZ t-shirts are here! Kids, if you have not received one, please see me. More details regarding events/activities can be found on our website, www.mbchiawassee.org/macedonia-kidz or our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/macedoniakidz.

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

Love in Christ,
Mrs. Wendy

Ladies, you're invited to a tea party

**Saturday April 6th
11:00 a.m.**

**Macedonia Baptist Church
Fellowship Hall**

**Rsvp by April 2nd to the church office 706.896.2424
or register online at mbchiawassee.org/adults**



**"Let us consider how we
may spur one another on
toward love and good
deeds... encouraging
one another."
(Hebrews 10:24-25)**

**"Therefore encourage
one another and build
each other up, just as in
fact you are doing."
(1 Thessalonians 5:11)**

