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# The Connection

July 2020

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**Millington United Methodist Church**

*Our Mission: To Know Christ, and to Make Him Known*

## July Scripture Readings

1. Galatians 5:13
2. Proverbs 30:5
3. Phillipians 1:6
4. Psalm 33:12
5. 3John 1:4
6. Isaiah 1:19-20
7. 1John 4:20
8. Exodus 20:3
9. Ezekiel 2:7
10. Galatians 5:1
11. Matthew 22:14
12. 2Corinthians 3:17
13. Psalm 119:11
14. Esther 4:14
15. Acts 20:24
16. Romans 6:23b
17. Isaiah 41:13
18. Psalm 103:1-2
19. Deuteronomy 28:1
20. Galatians 5:14-15
21. Phillipians 2:14
22. 2Timothy 1:7
23. Psalm 51:12
24. Isaiah 26:3
25. Psalm 37:5
26. Romans 11:29
27. Ephesians 4:32
28. Ruth 4:15
29. 1Corinthians 13:4-5
30. Psalm 91:14-16
31. Psalm 62:6

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## JULY HOLIDAYS

- 1-Canada Day
- 4-Independence Day
- 4-Sidewalk Egg Frying Day
- 4-Independence Day
- 9-National Sugar Cookie Day
- 10-Pick Blueberries day
- 12-Pecan Pie Day
- 13-Barbershop Music Appreciation day
- 13-National French Fries Day
- 14-Bastille Day
- 16-Fresh Spinach Day
- 16-World Snake Day
- 22-Hammock Day
- 24-Pioneer Day
- 24-Amelia Earhart Day
- 26-Aunt & Uncle Day
- 27-Take Your Houseplants for a Walk
- 28-National Milk Chocolate Day
- 29-National Lasagne Day
- 30-National Cheesecake day
- 30-Father-in-Law Day

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- 05 Doris Webster
- 09 Kristopher Dickson
- Virginia Ingram
- 10 Vera Ginger
- 12 Dorothy Chapin
- 13 Larry Warner
- Clarissa Rose
- 14 Don Jensen
- 16 Dennis Gasper
- John Paul Stohon
- 17 Gabe Dueweke
- Sophia Dueweke
- 18 Brason Trato
- 19 Carter Rose
- 22 Graham Ryan Gray Trato
- 23 Jody Boyd
- Kaitlin Burns
- 25 Terrance Olejnik
- 26 Ben Crawford
- 27 Trudy Burns
- Lena Shepherd
- 30 Kaylani Burks
- Christina Dickson
- 31 Henry Nicholas

Do something fun today!



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Greetings in Christ.

I'm Pastor Nick. By now, you may have seen me in an introductory video with Pastor John.

If so, you already know a bit about me. If not, this is probably our first communication, which I hope will be the beginning of conversations between me and you.

As I come to Millington, I hope we'll talk and get to know each other. Some conversations are light and rather inconsequential, while others are deep, and sometimes heavy. Conversation means talking with each other. There are so many things to talk about; the weather, for some: sports, music, art, politics, history, philosophy, a plethora of subjects. And, of course, ourselves, kids, grandkids, and most importantly our faith.

Since this is a new relationship, we may be anxious. Well, not to worry, I'm an upfront kinda guy. So, what you'll see is who and what I am. I'm very direct. However, I do my best not to make other people feel uncomfortable. I realize some people are very outgoing and chatty, while others are more reserved and even shy. I'll do my best to figure that out. We'll find these things out as we talk.

What I want you to know is that I'm here to listen and help. If I can be of help, in any situation or circumstance, I'll do what I can to the best of my ability. Feel free to call upon me.

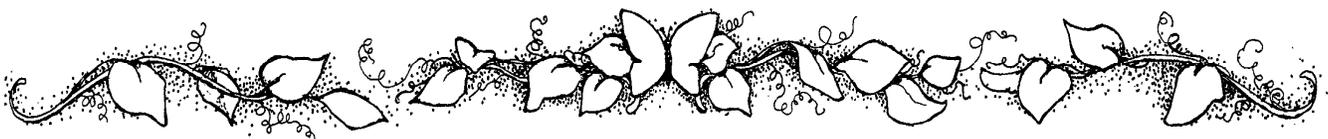
I could try to make this longer by writing a bunch of psycho-babble or some flowery churchy words. But, that's not who I am. I want to talk with you like a regular person (because that's what I am).

That's about it, for now.

Wherever this finds you, I hope you are doing well, or at least getting through the day. Know that I've already started praying for you.

Love and Blessings in Christ,

Pastor Nick





### *Mission Note for July 2020*

I will mention 2 of our missionaries we support.

First, I will mention again Peter and Kate Walugembe and their family are still in Michigan. They have a strong desire to be back home in Uganda ministering to their women and children there. They are regularly communicating with the folks there to carry on their ministry in their absence. We praise God for technology.

Second, we received a letter from Steve Lambert, our missionary to the Greek Community at CMU (Central Michigan University). Even though CMU has closed the campus, he is able through Zoom to lead Bible Studies and have personal contact with many of the Sorority and Fraternity women and men. They are looking forward to being back to a more “normal” setting in the fall.

Third, I want to mention we have an opportunity to be on a local mission project. Just a few days ago I received a note from Fred Elmore, former Director of Camp Kinawind telling me that the “Friends of Kinawind” are desirous of sending a team to the Midland area to help restore some of the damage around Midland from the floods there last month. If anyone is interested, let me know. They will appreciate your involvement.

Sincerely,

*Mawry Chapin*

*Mission Chair*



**Nothing is scheduled at this time**

**Stay tuned.....**

## Finance



## Moment

There is a story of a well-to-do woman, shopping in a department store. She spied a child with ragged shoes, his toes hanging out. She took him by the hand, went to the shoe department and bought him a new pair of shoes and several pairs of socks. As the little boy started on his way, he came back and asked, "Are you God's wife?" She responded, "No, but I'm one of his children." The child said, "I knew you were some kind of kin." We are all God's children, and we are called to acts of kindness and generosity. We are called to compassion and concern for God's other children

**Thank you to all who have shown your generosity by continuing your support of our church through the past four months.**

## *United Methodist Women*

The ladies have not met during the Pandemic, so there is nothing to report.

God willing, they will be meeting

August 10th at 1:00 pm

-Jennie Brown, UMW President



## Upcoming Events and Information...

Trustee Meeting ~~~~~Monday, July 13th 7:30 pm

SPRC Meeting ~~~~~Monday, July 20th 7:30 pm

Finance Meeting~~~~~Monday, July 27th 7:30 pm



### Blood Drive

**July 17th—1:00 to 6:45 pm**

Thank you to all those who help raise money for our Children's program by recycling your ink cartridges. There has been a change effective March 1, 2020, the only thing that Planet Green will accept after that date is ink cartridges. Please bring your items to the church office to be collected. Thank you!

### What we recycle: Ink Cartridges

We will **NO LONGER ACCEPT** cell phone & accessories, GPS & radar detectors, calculators, eBook Readers, iPods/MP3 Players, Digital/Video Cameras, PDAs, iPads/Tablets, Video Game Consoles & Accessories.

### SCRIP Gift Card Program



Graduations, Weddings, Birthdays and Anniversaries, or just to say Thank You...don't forget you can purchase or order your SCRIP Gift Cards from Barb in the church office. Proceeds from this program go to help support our Children's programs. There are several cards available in the office and 100's you can order. We just recently earned another \$7.33 towards the youth group account. Thank you. See Barb in the church office if you would like to purchase or order cards.

God is my boss and I'm the employee.

I'm thankful for my salary called Life.

With benefits called Blessings.

Amen



### A Kindle fire

"I can worship outside among nature just as well as I can inside a church building." That claim is especially common during the summer, when church attendance tends to decline.

Certainly it's possible to worship and talk to God among His creation. In fact, George Washington Carver called nature "an unlimited broadcasting station, through which God speaks to us every hour, if we will only tune in." And Martin Luther said, "God writes the Gospel not in the Bible alone, but also on trees, and in the flowers and clouds and stars."

Yet corporate, or church, worship is still vital. Luther also noted: "At home, in my own house, there is no warmth or vigor in me, but in the church when the multitude is gathered together, a fire is kindled in my heart and it breaks its way through." When we're away from God's house, we miss blessings and opportunities including communion, fellowship and support. So this summer, spend time in nature but don't neglect "to meet together". (see Hebrews 10:25)

◀ June	July 2020						August ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
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5 9am Worship 10am Sunday School 11am Worship 6pm Men's 4th Day	6 Rotary	7 8:30am Women's 4th Day 10am Bible Study 7pm Bible Study	8 10am -3pm Quilt Club	9	10	11 6:30-9:30pm 2nd Saturday Game Night	
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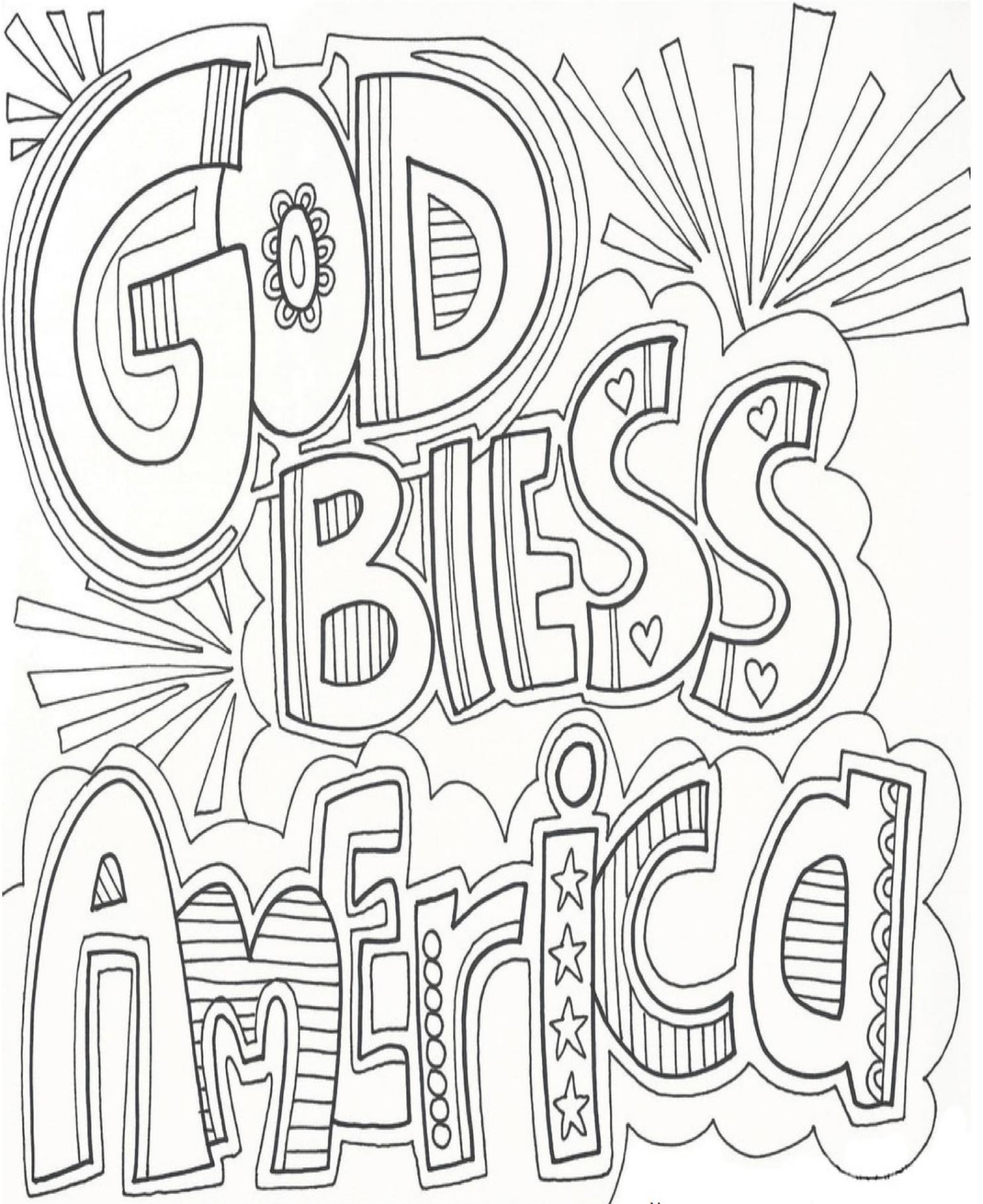
## *A Note from Barb...*

As we enter a new month, there are new changes. A new season, a new pastor, a new style of worship, new restrictions, and "new" freedoms. I hope you all are able to adjust to all these changes and continue to pray and worship to our God, who is forever the same. "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Hebrew 13::8

The next Blood Drive will be held July 17th. MUMC is the sponsor for this event. We may need volunteers. There will be a sign up sheet in the church office. We are not allowed to have homemade items. Only pre-packaged ones at this time.

Thank you to all who continue to send in their tithes/offerings to help offset the church expenses. We appreciate your faithfulness to God and your Church.

Please be safe and healthy!



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### **OUR SUNDAY SCHEDULE.**

Check out our Sunday services online on our Facebook page.

\*9:00 a.m. Worship \*11:00 a.m. Worship