

the Connection

MEADOWLANDS BAPTIST CHURCH

10 DECEMBER 2021 NEWSLETTER

A Good Recommendation

by Jerry Ascher

Every day, we often make decisions based on recommendations from trusted friends. For example, when the furnace goes out, someone we know and respect tells us of a company that provides good customer service at a reasonable price. A co-worker tells us of a mechanic he has used for years when he hears that we are experiencing car troubles. A neighbor informs us that the restaurant down the street has a great combination of great food and a fun atmosphere. One area where recommendations have been especially helpful for me is when I am determining what books to read. With so many books published every year, it only makes sense to read books that come with very good recommendations from trusted sources.

Because of the importance for every believer to develop good reading habits, and to make good books accessible, Meadowlands dedicated a space for a library several years ago. Located on the second floor

of the school wing, you can find Bible study tools, biographies, Christian fiction, movies, music, and resources on topics such as Christian living, finances, and marriage and family.

I just finished reading a personal copy of Jerry Bridges book, *Trusting God: Even When Life Hurts*, a wonderful reminder of God's sovereign plan in the life of the believer. Sure enough, in looking around the library, I found that book on the shelf. You can check it out this Sunday! Visit the library before or after any service. Find a book, sign it out in the black binder on the librarian's desk and bring it back when done. It's that simple.

I want to express my appreciation to Calvin Muirhead for heading up this ministry. He is willing to answer any questions you might have about the library. Knowing there are trusted resources right here in our building is such a blessing. I recommend that you check it out!



SUNDAY, 12 DECEMBER 9:30 OR 11 AM

In-person services take place in the auditorium. Services are simultaneously livestreamed in the gym or available to you at home.

- "Angels, from the Realms of Glory"
- "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"
- "The First Noel"
- Prayer
- Scripture Reading: Isaiah 40:1-11
- "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"
- "The Birthday of a King"
- "Angels We Have Heard on High"
- Message: "Community Project" James 5:14-20
Pastor Kevin Williams
- "Oh, How Good It Is"

ADULT FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

9:30

Forerunners of the Faith (Church History)
Pastor Jerry | Room 207

11:00

College & Career

Jeff McConnell | Room 221

Young Couples: 20s & 30s

Will Breckenridge | Room 207

Epistle to the Philippians

Manuele Russo | **Gym Foyer**

CHILDREN'S/TEEN MINISTRIES

9:30

Nursery (0-1)

Nursery (2-3)

11:00

Nursery (0-1)

Nursery (2-3)

Ages 4-5 Room 209

Grades 1-2 Room 212

Grades 3-4 Room 211

Grades 5-6 Room 309

Teens Room 308

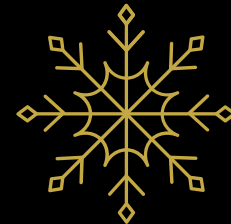
Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery

FAMILY CHRISTMAS WORSHIP & PRAISE
SERVICE

Sunday, 19 December

9:30 or 11 am

Nursery available for ages 0-3



CHRISTMAS EVE *Service*

- Two Candlelight Services: 4:30 or 6:00 pm
- Services held only in the auditorium
- No nursery available
- One hour of Christmas carols & Scripture reading



YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY

WHEN: This Sunday, 12:30-3:30 pm

WHERE: Youth Room 308

WHAT: Lunch is provided. Bring a \$5 gift for a gift exchange.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Complimentary Christmas cards from some of the pastoral staff are available at the Information Desk.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY/TEENS/KIDS 4 TRUTH 7 PM

GIVING

E-transfer is available. From your bank's website, select the e-transfer feature. The email address to transfer to is donations@meadowlandsbaptist.com. Your donation will be automatically accepted, and you will receive a confirmation of the transfer.

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MISSIONARY CHRISTMAS CARD SIGNING & CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Please take a few minutes this Sunday to sign Christmas cards, located in the foyer, for our missionaries. Also, this is the last Sunday to give as we will be sending out funds this week. Please designate to "Missionary Christmas."

