

A Mission-Minded Church by Pastor Doug

It is easy for the church to become focused on the needs of members and our local programs. As long as services go well, we have youth group and children's programs, and our building and grounds look great – church life is good! But the essence of the church, both historical and biblically, is more outward. A mission-minded church does not just serve its own members but actively engages with the world around it, fulfilling the command of Jesus found in the Great Commission “to go and make disciples” here and around the world (Matt. 28:19-20).

Being mission-minded is more than just sending money overseas or planning annual mission trips. It should be a huge part of our DNA as a church from worship services, youth programs, community outreaches and global mission efforts. Let me give just a few reasons being a mission-minded church is essential.

When we are mission-minded as a church ...

We align our hearts with the heart of God. God's heart for the nations is clearly seen throughout the scriptures. From the promise of Abraham in Genesis 12 to the Great Commission in Matthew 28, God has always been focused on redeeming people from every tribe, tongue, and nation. The church is called to be a part of God's redemptive work. When we are mission-minded it aligns the church's values with the heart of God.

We form friendships and partnerships with churches around the world. I love how our upcoming mission trip to the Bahamas is an example of collaborating with the local pastors and churches in Nassau. The friendships and ministry with the churches is life changing for us and for the churches we serve.

We remember the needs of our own community. Just because we go overseas or budget funds for world mission agencies, does not mean we ignore the needs of our local community. A mission-minded church understands the value of local missions as we serve meals for those in need or provide housing assistance.

We go and serve. A mission-minded church obeys the commands of the Lord and in faith we go and serve. Whether it is with a local agency or non-profit like Cups Café or a mission trip to another country. We must always ask, how can I be involved. Sometimes it is with our support or donations. At other times, we say Lord send me. But no matter what, we all as disciples of Jesus must obey.

I love our June schedule with the High School mission trip, YWAM coming to Medina, Bahamas outreach, and the African Children's choir. With all these ministries our prayer is that the good Lord will enlarge our view of the world and corporately and individually we will become more mission minded.

Worship Schedule

Sundays • 9:30 & 11:00 am

Medina Community Church exists to help people begin and grow in their relationship with God. Our relaxed, contemporary style provides an enjoyable atmosphere where you can investigate the claims of Christ, deepen your faith and meet some great friends along the way.

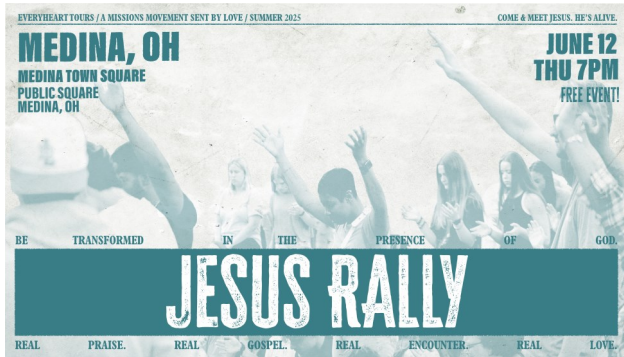
- June 1— Money Matters
- June 8—YWAM-Youth with a Mission
- June 15—Acts-The Big Picture (Father's Day)
- June 22—Acts Chapter 1
- June 29—Sanyuka Children's Choir
- July 6—Guest Speaker-Justin Boughter
- July 13—Acts 2/VBS Sunday (second service only)
- July 20—Acts 3
- July 27—Guest Speaker
- August 3—Craig Peters-Equip Ministries International

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YWAM (Youth With A Mission) Coming to Medina

We are looking forward to hosting a mission team with YWAM the week of June 7-14. The team will be leading our service on June 8th with a time of worship and testimonies. On Monday June 9th they will lead an evangelism training session at the church with an opportunity to go out and share on the square. Then on Thursday night they will lead a service on the square entitled – Jesus Rally. It will take place on from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The goal of the team is to share the gospel and see many come to Jesus. Please pray for the team and join them as you are led by the Lord.

African Children's Choir June 29

Sanyuka Children's Choir is a choir made up of orphaned and vulnerable children of Uganda, Africa, who are under the care of Sanyuka Children's Ministries. This Christ-centered child development program aims to extend the love of Jesus Christ, the feeling and support of family, and the hope for a better future to the neediest children in Uganda. The choir brings authentic African sounds of praise and worship to our congregation with the hope of seeing lives transformed by the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



VBS at MCC

July 7-10, 2025

***We are transitioning this year to a Monday—Thursday VBS**

Open to children grades K-8

Join us for an ultimate Alaskan adventure where northern lights glow over majestic mountains, racing rivers, and glistening glaciers. As we trek the tundra, we will explore how easy it is to lose sight of what's true in our wild world today. Pointing us toward Jesus, True North VBS shows us that he is a faithful friend we can always trust. He's our True North!

Sign up at church or register online using the website below, or the QR code:

https://vbspro.events/p_early/5f94a6





We are pleased to announce that MCC will be hosting drive-thru Community meals on **Saturday, June 21 and July 19** from 6-7 pm for those in need. Meals will be handed out in a drive-thru lane. Volunteers will help guide guests to the meal pickup area. (All guests will be asked to remain in their vehicles.) We can always use drivers for meal deliveries at 5:00 pm and others to help with the drive through. Please consider how you could serve in this ministry.

For more information or to sign up please call or text
Emily Winans at (240)405-4003.



Ladies Bible Study - We are just a few weeks into our 12-week study called "Seeking Him" by Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth. You can still join in. We meet Thursdays at 6:30 at the church.

First Wednesday Dinners - We're back to our dinners during the Summer and Fall months. June 4 we'll be going to Lagerheads at 2832 Abbeyville Rd. Medina, OH. We meet at 6:00. I'll send a reminder email. If you have suggestions of places maybe we haven't visited let me know.

If you have questions or comments or suggestions for things we could be doing please let Kathy know. Also, if you're not getting regular emails from Kathy Summers please send her your email address so she can get you on the list, kathyksummers@gmail.com; 330.461.1081.



Bahamas Mission Trip *Pray and Give*

*Funds are needed to send
the team out fully supported.*

We are three weeks away from our flights to Nassau for a week's worth of outreach and ministry. Our contact and friend in Nassau is Pastor George, who has recruited seven local churches as partners in a full week of events ministering to the homeless, and the poor communities. All of the arrangements for our travel and stay are almost complete. Please continue to pray for the trip-hearts to be open to the Gospel, lasting connections between the people in need and the local churches, unity for the team, and unity between the ministering groups. Also pray that the team endures the climate (heat & humidity), good health and safety, and protection from spiritual attacks. Thank you for the funds already raised, but please also pray for and consider financial support for the outreach. Financial funds are still in need as we walk in faith. Questions—please touch base with Rob Saba or Teresea Medley.

MCC Team: Amanda, Hayley, and Samantha Crawford

Bev Davidson

Clint Davis

Arlan Gerig

Teresa & Jack Medley

Erin Pagel

Deanna & Rob Saba

Mandy Stanley

Kathy Summers

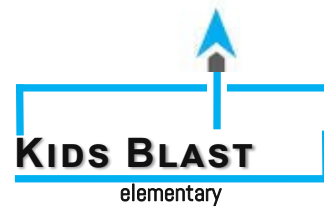
Brittany Tosatto

Kaelyn Wells

Caryolyn Bell



Look for information in an upcoming newsletter or on the information table at church regarding when these groups will resume in the fall.



Week 1 June 1

Field 3 @ 1:00pm MCC @ Average Joes

Week 2 June 8

Field 1 @ 2:30pm The Revival @ MCC

Week 3 June 15

Field 1 @1:00pm Medina United Methodist @ MCC

Field 3 @ 2:30pm MCC @ Countryside Crushers

Week 4 June 22

Field 1 @ 1:00pm MCC @ Countryside Crushers

Field 3 @2:30pm MCC @ The Revival

Week 5 June 29

Field 1 @ 2:30pm MCC @ Average Joes

Week 6 July 6

Field 3 @ 1:00pm Special Olympians @ MCC

Field 3 @2:30pm Average Joes @ MCC

Week 7 July 13

Field 1 @ 1:00pm MCC @ The Revival

Week 8 July 20

Field 1 @ 2:30pm MCC @ Medina United Methodist

Week 9 July 27

Field 3 @ 1:00pm Average Joes @ MCC

Field 3 @ 2:30pm Medina United Methodist @ MCC

Week 10 August 3

Field 1 @ 1:00pm Special Olympians @ MCC

Week 11 August 10

Field 3 @ 1:00pm MCC @ Countryside Crushers

Week 12 August 17

Field 1 @1:00pm Medina United Methodist @ MCC

Week 13 August 24

Field 3 @ 1:00pm MCC @ The Revival

Field 3 @2:30pm MCC @ Special Olympians



Questions, please contact

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Location:

Blakslee Park

3625 Fenn Road Medina, OH

***Rt. 3 and Fenn Road**