



This is our Thanksgiving Holiday Edition of our bulletin. We will return to our full bulletin next week. Contribution & attendance numbers for 11/20 will be reported at that time.

Upcoming Events



SCAN THE QR CODE TO VOLUNTEER!
December 9-10
WALK-THROUGH NATIVITY
 Contact: Spencer Prather
 spencer@mcoc.org



SHARE THE LOVE OF JESUS WITH A CHILD!
 Thank you for supporting children in need this Christmas! Scan the QR code to find three opportunities to help make a child's Christmas memorable. Together, we will support 91 children! After scanning the code, please select one option by clicking on the appropriate link.
 Contact: Mike Avery mavery@mcoc.org

December 2; 6:00 p.m.; Family Center
SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY CHRISTMAS PARTY
 If you or someone you love has special needs, or if you are interested in becoming a buddy for those with special needs, we would love for you to join us for a Christmas party! Come celebrate with us and get to know each other as we put a greater emphasis on this much needed ministry! Please **RSVP** to Alex Carter at 321-278-1711.



December 3; 7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
MEMORIAL DADS & KIDS ANNUAL CANOE TRIP
Hurry - space is limited!
 Contact: Jake Hicks
 Jacob.l.hicks186@gmail.com

December 3; 9:30 a.m.; Oak View Room
MEMORIAL LADIES HOLIDAY BRUNCH & ORNAMENT EXCHANGE
 Contact: Jacinda Shanks - jshanks@mcoc.org
 Brittany Spurlock - BrittanyNSpurlock@katyisd.org



January 13-15
MARRIAGE RETREAT
 Open to members & non-members!
 Speakers: Wayne & Tami Roberts
 Contact: Laura Hardegree
 lhardegree89@gmail.com

Family News

PRAYER REQUESTS

Blaine Belling, friend of **Warren & Joan Dale**, is recovering from hand surgery, and his wife, **Norma**, is recovering from knee surgery.

Gregory Bickerstaff, brother of **Lelia Conley**, a Memorial guest from Alabama, is in MD Anderson undergoing treatment for stage 4 liver cancer.

Frances Dale, sister of **Warren Dale**, is fighting breast cancer.

Richard Oxenrider, uncle of **Joan Dale**, has been diagnosed with a brain tumor.

SYMPATHY

Bea Cox, former MCOC member, passed away November 15 at the age of 96.

WE WILL MISS YOU

Becky Lewis, longtime member, is moving to Lumberton, TX. Today is her last day at MCOC with us. We pray God's blessings be with her as she makes this move.

IMPACT GIVING OPPORTUNITY

A special message from Impact Church of Christ - **from now until the end of the year, any amount you give is matched dollar-for-dollar and helps to fund Impact's ministries in the coming year.** All year-end gifts are eligible.

To participate, go to impacthoustonchurch.org, call the Impact office @ 713.864.5667, or send a check with "matching funds" in the memo line directly to Impact at 1704 Weber St., Houston 77007. Thank you for being a part of changing lives through God's work at Impact!

WELCOME GUESTS!

We are thrilled to have you with us and hope you'll decide to join us again. Please scan the QR code so we can get to know you better!



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How Can We Pray For You?

Public Request?
 jshanks@mcoc.org

Private Request?
 elders@mcoc.org

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A note from Kirk Eason about Southern Africa Bible College

What makes a successful mission effort?

Almost since its inception the Memorial Church of Christ has supported mission efforts in Africa. Its first missionaries were Al and Donna Horne. The Hornes worked in Tanzania in 1959. In 1966 they moved to South Africa to equip local Christians for service. Memorial remains the overseeing congregation for this work: the Southern Africa Bible College (SABC.)

A successful mission should develop local leadership. Over the last 56 years SABC has had over 1,600 attendees from over 30 countries who are now preaching, teaching, evangelizing, and leading in over 50 countries around the world. Our graduates are in all the countries of Southern Africa plus many more around the world. They serve as evangelists, elders, deacons, Bible class teachers, and women's ministry leaders. They also serve as leaders at the college. The Board of Directors, faculty and staff are all South Africans.

A successful ministry should have local support. South African congregations and individuals provide over 20% of the college's annual budget. Since 2010 local giving has increased 150%. In an economy with 40% unemployment, they still find a way to invest in the work.



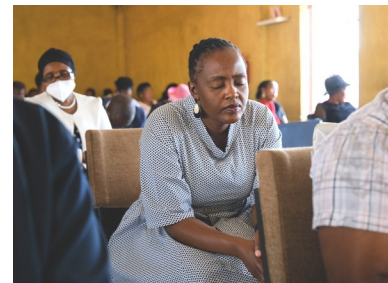
A successful mission should help the Church grow. Twenty years ago, there were 300 churches of Christ in the country. Today there are over 450. Membership is also growing. As one South African elder told me recently, "Congregations who do not have a graduate of the Bible College should think again. If you have a graduate of the College, your return will be 60% or even 100%."

These are three signs of a successful mission effort. The problem is that they are based on historical figures. We should be involved with works that have a future. Southern Africa Bible College has a bright future! All these measures are minor milestones in what coming generations will say about the College, the

Church in South Africa, and Memorial's role in its success.

Thank you to generations of Memorial members and leaders who have ensured SABC thrives through their prayers and financial support.

For more information about how to get involved contact Kirk Eason at keason@southernafricabiblecollege.org or 512-965-0382.



December 9-10
GLORY: WALK THROUGH NATIVITY

December 21 and 28
CHAPEL DEVOTIONAL

December 25 | 10:30 am
WORSHIP

Coffee & Doughnuts Fellowship | 10 am

January 1, 2023 | 10:30 am
NEW YEAR'S DAY WORSHIP

Spend Your
HOLIDAY
WITH US