

NEW HEIGHTS

Melbourne Heights Baptist Church is an Accepting, Caring People Sharing Christ

Weekly Stats for 11.9.14

Attendance

Sunday School: N A
Worship: N A

Giving

Building Fund: N A
Total Giving: N A

Extended Session Volunteers

11.16.14

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Thanksgiving Table Service

The holiday season is quickly approaching, which means it is almost time for one of my favorite services at Melbourne Heights each year. This particular service takes place the Sunday before Thanksgiving, as we move out of our sanctuary and into our banquet hall for morning worship.

We do this for a few reasons. First, it's easy for us to spread out across our sanctuary but in the banquet hall we can worship more intimately as we gather around tables. Second, it forces us out of our routine. In the banquet hall no one knows where to sit and we end up worshipping with people who usually sit on the opposite side of the sanctuary from us. Finally, worshipping around tables gives us the chance to take communion together in a way that more closely resembles the Last Supper, therefore inviting us into the story in a different way. So let me take this opportunity to personally invite you to join us for this special time of worship. You'll have the chance to experience God in a new way and to celebrate the abundant love of God with your fellow believers.

Park Ministry Update

In the wake of the Dawnings Initiative, three groups formed to bring direction to Melbourne Heights Baptist Church: Identifying needs; Telling our story; and a Park Ministry. The Park Ministry became the first of the three to implement a plan of action. The group has visited both Farnsley Park, right in our backyard, and Des Pres Park located on the outskirts of Hikes Point. We set out with one initial goal to increase the churches presence in our community. The group consisted of the youth, young adults, and several from our women's ministry.

While at the parks, the group set out to make connections through passing out water and playing games. Several conversations were started simply by asking a parent or child if they would like some water or inviting their children to play games with us. Overall, our goal was accomplished as we were able to connect with a variety of people in different age groups as well as present the church to the community once more. Though October 22 was our last night for the year, we plan on continuing this ministry in the spring.

Changes to the Newsletter

Beginning in January, Melbourne Heights will no longer be printing our weekly church newsletter in the Western Recorder. We will begin producing our newsletter once a month - allowing us to focus more on church news and less on announcements.

As part of this change to our newsletter, we will also be transitioning to an e-newsletter format delivered straight to your email account. We will begin collecting email addresses soon. However, if you do not have an email, we will continue to distribute printed versions of the monthly newsletter.

Operation Christmas Child

Each year Operation Christmas Child uses gift-filled shoeboxes to share God's love with children around the world. We are once again collecting gift-filled shoeboxes to donate to this ministry. Brochures about this program are available at the Welcome Center. Please remember that all shoeboxes must be turned into the church by November 23.

Ladies Holiday Brunch

On Sunday, November 16 at noon, our Women's Ministry will be hosting a Holiday Brunch at the Bluegrass Cafe on Bardstown Road. If you plan to join us for this afternoon of fun, fellowship, and delicious food; sign up on the Women's Ministry Bulletin Board.