May Calendar 2024

Date:	Family to Pray For:	Scripture Reading
1	Al, Cathy & Jonathan Lush	1 Thessalonians 1
2	Luke & Becca Lyons	1 Thessalonians 2:1-12
3	Rose Mace	1 Thessalonians 2:13-20
4	Joshua, Faith, Paisley & Malachi Mills	1 Thessalonians 3
5	Wayne, Burgandy, Tinsley & Serenity Myers	1 Thessalonians 4:1-12
6	Michael, Kristina, Gabe, Judah & Haddie Neill	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
7	Richard Nicely	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
8	Pastor Matt, Amy, Eliot & Morgan O'Meara	1 Thessalonians 5:12-28
9	Robert & Shelley Persinger	2 Thessalonians 1
10	Dave, Kathy & Hannah Pritt	2 Thessalonians 2:1-12
11	Pastor Mike & Tracy Rollins	2 Thessalonians 2:13-17
12	Pat & Mary Ryan	2 Thessalonians 3
13	Gertrude Simmons	1 Timothy 1:1-11
14	Lee & Frannie Simmons	1 Timothy 1:12-20
15	Michael Simmons	1 Timothy 2
16	Minnie Slayton	1 Timothy 3
17	Greg & Cindy Smith	1 Timothy 4
18	Betty Snead	1 Timothy 5:1-16
19	C.R. & Vicky Sorrels	1 Timothy 5:17-25
20	Daniel, Babs & Raylan Sorrels	1 Timothy 6:1-10
21	Brad & Kandace Speer	1 Timothy 6:11-21
22	Larry & LaDonna Stevenson	2 Timothy 1:1-12
23	Mitchel & Whitney Stinespring	2 Timothy 1:13-18
24	Paul & Joan Strausbaugh	2 Timothy 2:1-13
25	Donna Talbert	2 Timothy 2:14-26
26	Alan & Beverly Taylor, Cameron Tucker	2 Timothy 3
27	Robie Tucker	2 Timothy 4
28	Scott, Jodi, Michelle, Kerri & Oliver Vaughn	Titus 1
29	Bill, Irene & Becki Wade	Titus 2
30	Wilson & Pam Webb	Titus 3
31	Laila White	Philemon

May Birthdays

Robie Tucker

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1	Daniel Sorrels	14	Richard Nicely
4	Christina Williams	17	Shawn Layman
5	Lonnie Hayslett	19	Lucille Johnson
7	Michael Neill	20	Tinsley Myers
8	Ellis Williams	21	Christy Fender
9	Lisa Brown	27	Doris Lavender
10	Ricky Brown	31	Amy O'Meara
10	Jodi Vaughn	31	Shane Fury

May Anniversaries

- 11 Larry & LaDonna Stevenson
- 18 Eddie & Melinda Bryan
- 29 Gerald & Melissa Black
- 29 Jason & Christy Fender
- 29 Matt & Amy O'Meara



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Dear Family,

The first Mother's Day in America was celebrated in May of 1908 in Grafton, WV. The first Father's Day in America was celebrated in June, 1910 in Spokane, Washington. But the first ever celebration of Mother's Day, Father's Day, Marriage Day, and Family Day goes all the way back to the first chapter of the Bible. [27] So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. [28] Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth." Genesis 1:27-28

Marriage, children, and family was/is God's idea. You've often heard me say that marriage & family was the first institution of society – it was, and is, a foundational building block. When the foundation of families begins to crumble, societies begin to crumble. I'm sure you, like me, can point to several ways you've seen the foundations of family erode and reflect on the negative effects that has had on society. Satan's goal is to kill, steal, and destroy. Some of the things that are promoted as acceptable today can only be described as demonic. While it is easy to point out the problems, as God's people we are called to be the salt and light of society. We are called to offer solutions. What are some things we can do?

- If you have children in your home, please take the responsibility of teaching them what God's word says about family. Teach them that God's word is truth and teaches the way we should live. Pray for them and pray with them. Lead them to understand their need to trust Christ as their Lord and Savior.
- As God's people we're commanded to stand for the truth. Truth can be very offensive. In today's society you may be accused of being filled with hate for proclaiming biblical truth concerning family. Truth isn't determined by the majority, it is determined by God's word. Ephesians 4:15 says we are to speak the truth in love. Satan loves it when professing Christians point out the sins of others from a cold uncaring heart. Examine your own heart first of all.
- Pray for those who promote ungodly ideologies for family and society. Ephesians 6 says we
 aren't fighting against flesh and blood but against wicked rulers in high places. The Bible
 teaches that many who promote these ideologies are held captive by Satan to do his will.
 We should pray they will escape the snare of the devil. 2 Timothy 2:24-26 (please read)
- Ask the Holy Spirit how you can make a difference.

I'm so grateful for each of you who have been, and who are, seeking to be parents who glorify the Heavenly Father.

I love you,

Pastor Mike

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May Events:

<u>Saturday, May 4th:</u> Uganda Mission Trip Fundraiser – pulled pork dinner starting at 4:30, Gospel Bluegrass singing at 6:00 with The Conner Family.

We have 4 graduates this year: 2 graduating from high school and 2 graduating from college.

On Saturday, May 11th, Hannah Pritt will be graduating from Liberty University with a degree in Biomedical Science with a Global Cognate and Rebecca Lyons will be graduating from Gateway Community College with a degree in nursing. Nathan Fender will also be graduating from High School through homeschool the same day. On June 1st, Samantha Woodson will be graduating from Bath County High School.

We are very proud of each of these young people. We are hoping to have them all together on the same Sunday to present something to them and to pray over them.

Pastor Mike & Tracy's daughter, Kim, is graduating on Saturday, May 11th, with a Master in Counseling. Mike & Tracy plan to be away from Monday, May 6th – Tuesday, May 14th.

Sunday, May 12th: Mother's Day

Monday, May 27th: Memorial Day – the office will be closed.

George Broughman is scheduled to return to Uganda in June. He is paying for his trip but we want to help with donations for food, medicines, and other needs for the people of Uganda. Since Mother's Day is on May 12th, we plan to wait until May 19th for Communion. May's Communion offering will go to help with the ministry to Uganda. You are welcome to give to that cause before May 19th.

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