

MEADOWBROOK BAPTIST CHURCH

Worship This Sunday

April 18, 2021 ~ 9:00 AM

In our Sanctuary (*please wear a mask*)

or

Outside Parking Area

Services on YouTube

meadowbrookbaptist.cc

April 11, 2021

Worship Attendance 40 World Hunger \$26.50

Budget Offering \$2,369.00

Weekly Needs to Date \$39,750.00

Weekly Offerings to Date \$35,692.70

We are still practicing social distancing and wearing masks, so you can return to worship in our sanctuary when you feel comfortable doing so. If you don't feel comfortable yet, why not come and be a part of our "parking lot" congregation.

The Gospel of Mark

THE CALL TO WITNESS

"Come follow Me and I will make you fishers of men." - Mark 1:16-20/
Matthew 3:18-22 / Luke 5:1-11

Jesus needed more than friends to walk with Him; He needed servants to work for Him. He came to provide forgiveness for all people, and it is our task to tell as many people as we can about it, so they can be in heaven with us. As Jesus put it, we need to "fish" – throw out our lines and catch men, women, boys and girls. We are to share what Jesus has done for us with others. The woman in Samaria did that. She told her neighbors; they came to listen to Jesus and many found salvation (John 4).

A missionary doctor restored a young boy's sight and a week later, the boy came back holding a rope with ten blind people from his village holding it also.

We can witness by **faithfulness to God's church**. When Sherman marched through

Georgia, an elderly lady tried to chase him out of her town with a broom. He laughed and asked her if she thought she could stop him with a broom. She said, "No I don't, but I want everyone here to know *which side I am on.*"

We can **invite people to come to church**. After Philip met Jesus, he told his friend Nathaniel about Him, but Nathaniel had his doubts. Philip didn't argue, he just told him to come and see for himself (John 1:43-45).

To do this, we must **live clean lives**; free from the sins practiced all around us. Paul told people who preached against stealing and led dishonest lives that, "**The name of God is blasphemed because of you**" (Romans 2). We still do wrong at times, but people must see we are in earnest in our efforts to live right.

We need to **love others**; which means we treat them the way we want to be treated and are willing to help them no matter who they are (Luke 10:25-37). A new pastor visited the community and when he asked one man if he was a Christian, the man replied, "Ask my neighbors."

And the most important thing; is to let everyone know that any good they see in us, **comes from our relationship with Jesus**. John Wesley heard the town bell ringing, announcing that some criminal was being hanged. His eyes filled with tears and a friend asked him if he knew the man. Wesley said, "No. I was just thinking that if Jesus had not come into my life, that bell could be ringing for me."

THE CALL TO PREACH

In order to get the story of Jesus out to all people of all races, cultures and religions for the next 2000 years, required more than individual Christians telling others about Him. It required some kind of organization where people are given specific assignments and responsibilities. That is why Jesus told His