

MEADOWBROOK BAPTIST CHURCH

Worship This Sunday

August 22, 2021 ~ 9:00 AM

In our Sanctuary (masks are optional)

or

Outside Parking Area

Services on YouTube

meadowbrookbaptist.cc

August 15, 2021

Worship Attendance 41 World Hunger \$27.64

Budget Offering \$1,163.00

Weekly Needs to Date \$87,450.00

Weekly Offerings to Date \$89,911.00

JULY 2021, FINANCIAL REPORT

\$185,169.57	Beginning Balance (7-1-21)
9,135.65	Budget Receipts
83.52	Design: World Hunger
125.00	Connie Maxwell
450.00	Use of Building
10.00	Shoebboxes
\$194,973.74	TOTAL RECEIPTS (July)
-9,522.25	Less Expenses (July)
\$185,451.49*	ENDING BALANCE (7-31-21)

*(Of this amount, \$41,441.30 is designated)

EXPENSES - JULY

\$1,350.00	Missions
6,131.71	Personnel
89.18	Ch. Promotion
607.44	Utilities
105.00	Building Security
180.92	Bldg. Maint./Supp/Repairs
708.00	Emergency Savings
\$9,172.25	Total Budget Expense
+ 350.00	Total Designated Expense
\$9,522.25	Total Expenses

The Gospel of Mark

Mark 5:21-43

FAITH - LET GOD HAVE IT

"Cast (throw) your cares on the Lord, because He cares for you." (1 Peter 5:7)

(James 1:5-8)

"When you ask, you must believe and not doubt. The person who doubts is like a wave tossed back and forth. / Such a person should not expect to receive anything from the Lord."

(Hebrews 11)

"Without faith it is impossible to please God; because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly (wrestle to) seek Him.

(Matthew 7 / Luke 11)

"Would any of you fathers give your child a snake if he asks for a fish/or a stone if he asks for a loaf of bread? If you, who are evil, are like this; how much more will your Father give "good things" (Matthew 7) and the "Holy Spirit" (Luke 11) to those who ask Him?"

Can you imagine how that distraught father felt when Jesus stopped and talked with this lady? His little girl was dying, and this might be the difference in her living or dying. He didn't say one word, or presume to tell Jesus anything. He had put his daughter in His hands and he left her there.

He did better than Jesus' friend Martha. She and Mary sent for Him while their brother Lazarus was seriously ill; but it took Him a few days to get there. When He arrived, Lazarus had died and had been in the ground for three days. She, as many of us in our grief might do, said, "Lord, if You had gotten here on time, our brother would not have died." What she didn't know was that He purposefully waited so He could raise Lazarus from the dead. He spoke the word, called his name, told him to come out and he came out. This was a far greater miracle, and did more to persuade people to follow Him than healing Lazarus would have done (John 11).

Too many times we give a problem to God and keep on worrying about it. Peace comes when we give it to Him and **let Him have it**. Much of the time we pray, the way we fly a kite. We send the kite up, but hold on to the string. Faith means we "let go of the string". The whole solution is God's and we believe He has heard us and is answering us in the best way.

I used this illustration in my first church out of seminary, and a lady came forward. Her son could not handle the stress of taking tests in school. He would have panic attacks and throw up. He even did it after the teachers agreed to test him privately. She said, "Brother Bob - we have taken him to every kind of specialist and