

## MEADOWBROOK BAPTIST CHURCH

Worship This Sunday

September 26, 2021 ~ 9:00 AM

In our Sanctuary

(Please wear a mask & Social Distance)

or

Outside Parking Area (Mask Optional)

Services on YouTube

meadowbrookbaptist.cc

### September 19, 2021

Worship Attendance 26      World Hunger \$16.41

Budget Offering \$1,949.65

Weekly Needs to Date \$100,700.00

Weekly Offerings to Date \$113,042.30

### AUGUST 2021, Financial Report

\$ 185,451.49	Beginning Bank Balance 8-1-21
14,407.65	Budget Receipts
82.41	Design: World Hunger
425.00	Other Designated
75.00	Free Materials
300.00	Use of Building
120.00	Shoebboxes
<u>\$200,861.55</u>	TOTAL RECEIPTS (August)
<u>11,514.42</u>	Less Expenses (August)
\$189,347.13*	ENDING BALANCE(8-31-21)

\*(Of this amount, \$41,893.71 is designated)

### EXPENSES - AUGUST

\$ 2,037.76	Missions
7,131.71	Personnel
365.64	Postage/Print/Off.Sup
142.00	Ch.Promo/Adv/Fee
552.62	Utilities
26.69	Bldg.Maint/Supp/Rep
<u>708.00</u>	Emergency Savings
\$10,964.42	Total Budget Expense
+550.00	Total Designated Exp.
<u>\$11,514.42</u>	Total Expenses

## Operation Christmas Child **SHOEBOXES** AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP NEXT SUNDAY!

~~Fill a box or buy items to help us fill boxes

~~Give money for the purchase of items  
and project costs

We are more than happy to shop for you!

Cash is acceptable or checks may be made to

“Meadowbrook Baptist” or

“Samaritan’s Purse”.

Mark your check or envelope for “Shoebboxes!

~Be A Part Of This Worthwhile Ministry~

## WHAT KIND OF SINNER ARE YOU?

(Matthew 15:1-20; Mark 7:1-23; John 7:1)

### The Sinners in Our Churches

“If we (*Christians 5:13*) say we have no sin, we are only deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us.” – 1 John 1:8

A man and his wife visiting a church, slipped into the back of the sanctuary while the Pastor was praying. The Pastor prayed, “O Lord! The things we should have done, we have not done. And Lord, the things we should not have done; we have done.” The man whispered, “Honey, this looks like our kind of church.” It is everybody’s kind of church.

When someone criticizes the church by saying it is full of sinners; that is like driving by a hospital and saying, “All those hospital beds are full of sick people.” The nearest thing to a church, outside of the church, is “Alcoholics Anonymous”. A person stands up and says, “I am John. I am an alcoholic and I have no power over alcohol. I trust in a “higher power.” That is the picture of a Christian, whose “higher power” is named Jesus.

This second scene in Jesus’ final year can be compared to a typical Sunday church service with nobody there but sinners. When we leave the church, not one of us lives like we should or is the kind of person we should be. People who do not go to church, see us as hypocrites - phonies. And Romans 2 says the “*name of God is blasphemed*” by the people of the world because of true hypocrites. This is the number one reason people give for not accepting Christ.

The truth is, not all sinful people who attend church regularly are hypocrites. Some are **seeking** salvation like Nicodemus and Zacchaeus. Others are **struggling** Christians like the Twelve Apostles who didn’t want to have anything to do with non-Jews and whose leader, Simon Peter, later denied being a follower of Jesus (Mark 14). The Pastors’ prayer those