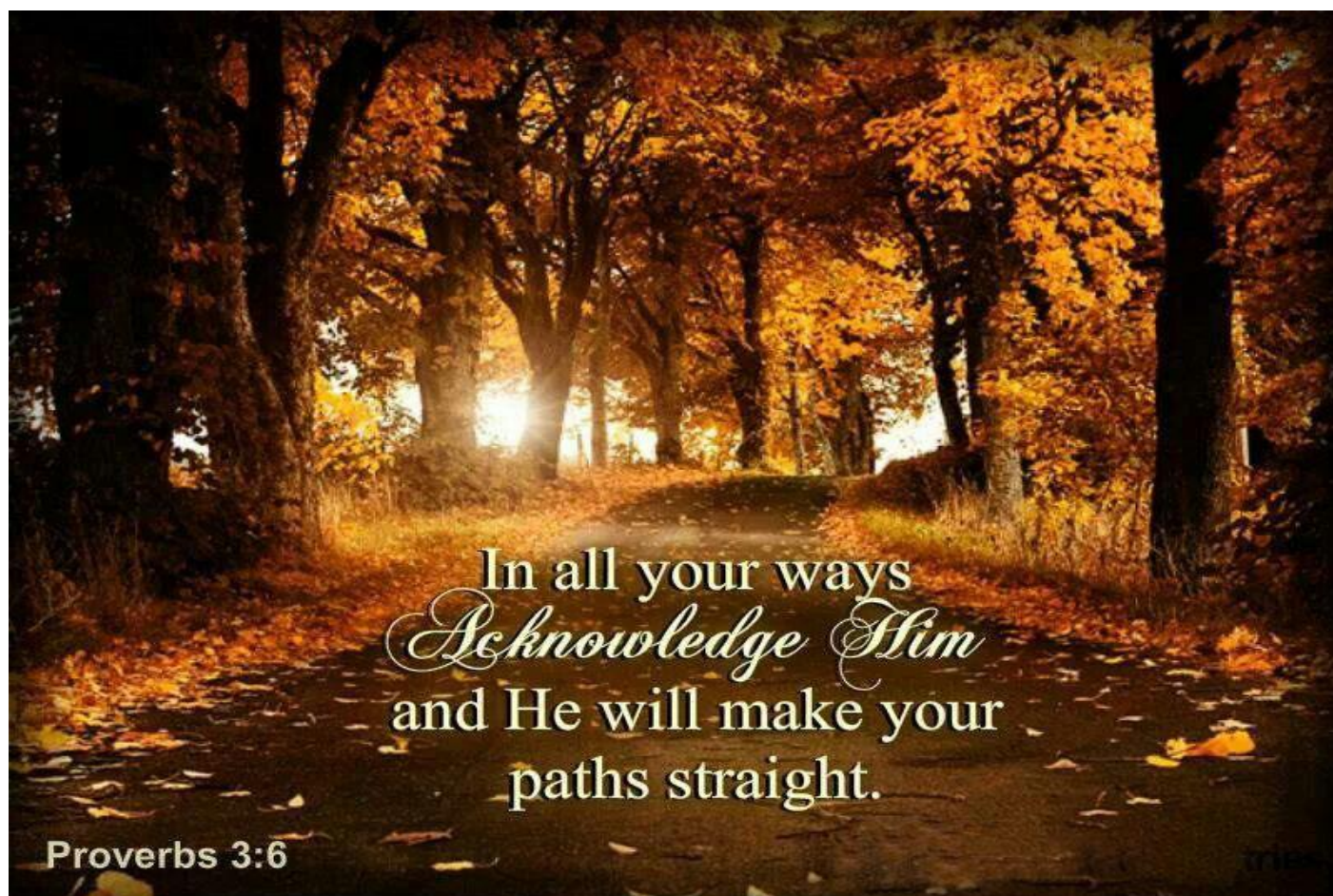


October 2019



EUREKA BAPTIST CHURCH

NEWSLETTER



In all your ways
Acknowledge Him
and He will make your
paths straight.

Proverbs 3:6



Wednesday Night Bible Study

Join us on Wednesday
evenings at 6:30pm

Quarterly Business Meeting

October 20
After morning
service



Autumn Festival

October 26
5:00pm Refreshments
6:00pm Glory Train



A Note from Pastor Seth

In this article I am going to write about beauty and what we need to understand as believers. A question people ask, “Is beauty only one’s opinion, or is it the same for everyone?” As some have said, “beauty is in the eyes of the beholder”, or “one’s person’s trash in another person’s treasure.” As Christians we know that truth is the same for everyone and so is morality (John 17:17; Exodus 20:3-17). But is Scripture one’s opinion or is it fixed in reality? What we will see is the Bible is very clear on this. In the same way truth and morality come from God so does beauty. What the Bible teaches clearly is that God is beautiful. King David told Israel to, “worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness” (1 Chronicles 16:29). The holiness of God not only means that God is perfect in purity, but he is also set apart from his creation in greatness. The otherness of God is beautiful. The Psalmist also describes the presence of God as beautiful. He wrote, “splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary” (Ps. 96:6). When David went to the Temple he thought about the beauty of the Lord by saying, “One thing I have asked of the Lord, that I will seek after, that I may dwell in house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple” (Ps. 27:4). Oh, that all of us would have this longing to see the splendor of the Lord! The Lord calls us to work with the right attitude (Philippians 2:14).

One of the great realities for believers is that one day we will see the glory of God face to face (1 Corinthians 13:12; 1 John 3:2). What we read about in the New Jerusalem is that Jesus will be on the throne and the radiant light surrounding him will be so bright that there will be no need for the sun to light up this greatest of all cities (Revelation 21:22-23). This will be the most wonderful event that we have ever experienced. We will see the One for whom we were created to forever be satisfied in him (Psalm 16:11). We will see the most beautiful sight our eyes have ever beheld. So we see clearly from Scripture that God is beautiful. Now if God is beautiful than it makes sense that there is fixed beauty in the universe he made. This is the clear testimony of Scripture.

After God created the universe we read in the first chapter of the Bible, “And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good” (Genesis 1:31). In the universe big things are beautiful and so are small. King David wrote, “The heavens declare the glory of God and the sky above his handiwork” (Psalm 19:1). On the other end, Jesus commented on the beauty of a flower, “Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these” (Matthew 6:28-29). We know from our experience that the creation God made is truly beautiful. It is not just nature but humanity as well. God created humans to reflect his image, and one of the many ways that humans reflect him is through their appearance. When a woman is pleasing to the eyes people call her beautiful (Genesis 12:14). When a man is pleasing to the sight people call him handsome (1 Samuel 16:12). They knew who did not work but she spent her whole day in prayer. Truly, the Lord’s plan for her was not to work but to be productive in a different way. Her call was to pray diligently. But this situation in life is the exception rather than the rule. Most are able to work and should honor the Lord by filling your days with productive work.



From what has been written thus far we have a good idea of a definition for beauty. Beauty is one of those realities that stands out when you see it. It might be hard to describe but you know it when it is there. In Caroline Cobb’s song, All Is Vanity, she wrote, “Beauty is sweet to the beholder’s eye and you know it when you see it Cause it echoes the Light.” In this lyric “The Light” is referring to God, and that which is pleasing to the sight or ears reflects the beauty of God. What can be said about all beauty is that it is orderly and unified. A garden neatly arranged in someone’s yard is rightly said to be beautiful, while a house that has been

neglected is rightly said to be ugly. It is clear that beauty is the same for everyone and you know it when you see or hear it. But Scripture does not stop with describing God’s being as beautiful and the physical realities around us. Beauty is also described in connection with morality.



My daughter Alethia, like all girls, desires to have a beautiful appearance. She is almost three and already loves putting on fancy dresses. The apostle Peter knew that this is a good desire that all women have, however this desire for physical beauty is not as important as beauty in the heart. He wrote, “Do not let your adorning be external – the braiding of hair and the putting on of gold jewelry, or the clothing you wear – but let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God’s sight is very precious” (1 Peter 3:3-4). A beautiful woman in appearance who lacks righteousness is ugly in God’s eyes. As King Solomon wrote, “Like a gold ring in a pig’s snout is a beautiful woman without discretion” (Proverbs 11:22). The same can be said for men. A life lived following God’s moral will is a beautiful sight to see. Sometimes you hear someone call another a beautiful person. When this is said appearance is not in mind, but rather the character of the man or woman. The beauty of the heart is what God cares about most. At Eureka Baptist we should desire to reflect God’s beauty by living orderly lives following his will. The reason believers are described as salt and light in Scripture is because there is an attractiveness to them (Matthew 5:13-16). May we be known as a beautiful church where people are drawn to us as we reflect the most beautiful person who ever lived, Jesus Christ.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Seth

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Sunday Morning Service: 10:00am
*Kid's Church during Service
Sunday School: 9:00am
Bible Study: Weds at 6:30pm

MissionReach

Tokar Family: Ukraine

A few pictures from graduation at UETS last weekend



Stout Family: Macedonia

First, praise the Lord for this past Sunday when our boys, Isaiah and Benji both got baptized in the rapid flowing river this past Sunday with 5 others from our Word of Hope Churches in Macedonia! What a Victory and Celebration! Check out the pics and video below.

Second, we feel the effects of living in a country that has bad air quality. Skopje is the 2nd most polluted city in Europe. A few of us have asthma, but Brian has really been struggling with his breathing and now coughing/wheezing. We are looking at possibly moving, hopefully higher up in the mountains. We would like to still live near Skopje where we can continue to serve our team and church. Pray that God would show us what steps to take and to help us with our breathing.

Today, I Brian was reminded of where our help comes from in Psalm 121. May God speak to your hearts today, as you cry out to Him!
"I lift up my eyes to the mountains. Where does my help come from? My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth." Psalm 121:1-1



** Praises and Prayers for the Stout Family in Macedonia

* Praise the Lord for the re-adjustment back to life and ministry in Macedonia, homeschool for the kids and being re-united with our SEND/church family here!

* Praise for clean air and healthier diet that is helping out breathing. Planning to stay in our house for this year.

* Pray for Joy as she turns 18 on Nov 26 and will lose her visa underneath us. She has 90 days after that before she may need to leave Macedonia, so by Feb 26. Pray for visa wisdom and God's direction for Joy's next steps in life.

* Pray for Brian with leadership and serving of SEND Macedonia and Debby as she supports and helps a ton!

* Pray for wisdom about next steps with buying a building for Word of Hope. Pero and Brian had a great meeting with Brian's uncle, a great architect who may help in this process.

* Pray for Debby who is home-schooling all our kids and Joy who is also doing Crown College on-line



River Road Ramble was held on September 28th. Eureka Baptist Church participated in the event by serving pie for visitors and having a yard sale. Hundreds of people stopped by. There was also an apple cider press demonstration that visitors were able to sample. Thank you to everyone that helped with the event!

Monthly Events



Women's Bible Study
Saturday, October 5
9:00am



Men's Breakfast
Saturday, October 12
8:00am



Prayer Meeting
First Sunday of the Month
6:30pm



Weekly Events



Adult Sunday School
Sunday Mornings
9:00am



Morning Service
Sunday Mornings
10:00am



Kids Church
Sunday mornings during
Morning Service



Bible Study
Wednesday Evenings
6:30pm

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SATURDAY

OCTOBER 26

5:00PM REFRESHMENTS

6:00PM GLORY TRAIN

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FESTIVAL

GLORY TRAIN GOSPEL GROUP



A Love Offering will be taken to help with medical expenses for Jordan Braund.

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JEN WILKIN

SERMON
ON THE MOUNT

A reminder that the Friday Women's Group meets the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month at Joyful Morning Coffee House in Dresser at 9:30am.

Church Announcements

-Quarterly Business Meeting – Sunday, October 20 after morning service

-Team Meetings – the meeting schedule will be out soon. Please join a group if you'd like to help out.

-Please let Amber know if you'd like to be added to the weekly news blast emails.

-Carol Sing event is scheduled for Sunday, December 8th.

Happy Birthday!!

Randy Clark 10/1

Ana Trick 10/10

Roger Swanson 10/23

Lori Brooks 10/26

Alethia Brickley 10/28

Happy Anniversary!!

Bob & Debi Swanson 10/3

Jeff & Amber Lindo 10/28

Bloom Where He Plants You

*Blessed is the man
who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
but his delight is in the law[b] of the Lord,
and on his law he meditates day and night.*

*He is like a tree
planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not wither.
In all that he does, he prospers.
The wicked are not so,
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
for the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.*



Lanie Jo Rademacher

Born September 15, 2019
8 lbs 3 oz
20 inches

Congratulations to Jacob and Caitlyn!
Proud Grandparents:
Mike and Linda Rademacher



Kost's Fall Women's Conference

Friday, Oct 25, 7 PM - 9 PM
Saturday, Oct 26, 9 AM - 4 PM

Kost Church, 37405 Kost Trail,
North Branch, MN 55056

Are you tired of just "surviving"? Schedules, deadlines, and others' needs, can leave us longing for more of what Jesus promised to give. "I came that they may have life and have it abundantly (John 10:10)." Thrive is a conference designed to help you experience more of Jesus. From Genesis through Peter in the New Testament we're going to dive in to what it means to "Thrive"! Come join us!



Thank You

The basement has an updated look. Thank you to everyone that helped paint the walls, doors, trim and ceiling. The photos above were taken during the project. The photo to the left is the finished look. It was a great way to welcome all of the visitors for River Road Ramble.



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