



# McCoy

MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

## The Manna

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### Flowers for Easter Sunday

Orders must be received by Sunday March 21st.

If you would like to order one or more flowers, please complete the order form which will be available on March 7th on the welcome table in the lobby. Please return your completed form and payment to Kristi, place in the secretary tray, or mail to the church, ASAP.

The order form can also be received by e-mail if you would like to print at home and mail it back to church with your payment.

Please e-mail Kristi at [secretary@mccoybaptist.org](mailto:secretary@mccoybaptist.org) if you have questions or would like the order form by e-mail.

**(Payment must be included with your order!)**

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<https://www.facebook.com/McCoyMemorialBaptistChurch/>

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**Sunday Morning Service:** Find our livestream Sunday Morning at 9:30 AM on Facebook.

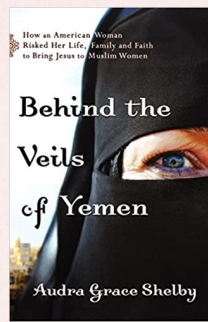
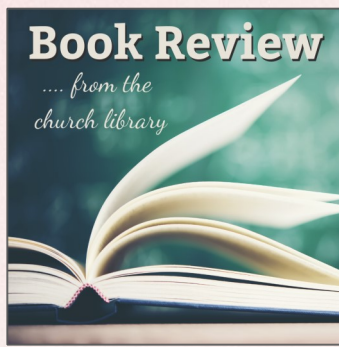
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Find Sunday school classes and other videos on our YouTube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzAvEYMLjyGBbOhfc7MitIA>

You can also find videos along with teaching notes and much more on our website <https://www.mccoybaptist.org/>

Click on the link at the top for the Sermon & Class Videos and click on the appropriate class link.



## **BEHIND THE VEILS OF YEMEN**

By Audra Grace Shelby

Have you ever wondered what it is like behind the black veil of Islam? Audra G. Shelby shares from her experiences as an American woman living in Yemen with her husband and four children. She faces a number of challenges in her own family while attempting to build friendships with the women behind the veil. The author reveals the empty, shackled lives of the women she encountered and her attempts to share the truths of God's Word. I was both shocked and saddened while reading this book. I was struck by the shallow lives they live now and the eternity that awaits them. From my American world view, it was astonishing to read how the women of Yemen (and other Arab nations) are viewed and treated. After reading this book, I determined to pray more for the captive women of the world.

This book can be found in the Missions section of our church library.

Written by Vickie Smoker

## **March Anniversaries**

Steve & Julie Bachman 3/30/2002

## **March Birthdays**

Steve Leeper	3/1	Rosemary Swartz	3/17
Emma Yoder	3/4	Linda Shaffer	3/19
Missy Salyer	3/6	Zach Waggoner	3/19
Delores Conley	3/7	Jeremiah Bedford	3/19
Rob Dozier	3/8	Brent Hartman	3/22
Curt Bender	3/8	Peter Kinney	3/24
Joe Lloyd	3/9	Joe Slabach	3/25
Sandra Willis	3/9	Jason Crawford	3/25
Penny Smith	3/10	Edith Peck	3/30
Greg Hakala	3/10	Rich VanDaele	3/30
Landon Hewitt	3/10	Samuel Dickerhoof	3/30
Joan Lloyd	3/11	Donna Young	3/31
Joshua Bedford	3/11		
Alyssa Bachman	3/12	<b><u>Missionaries</u></b>	
Kip Ravenscroft	3/13	Lucy Julian	3/4
Brielle Wigent	3/16	Martha Regier	3/13
Leah Bayes	3/16	Calvin Julian	3/20



## **Missionary of the Month:**

**Jeff and Meredith (World Venture - Albania)**

Our ministry vision is to see the Gospel *flourish* and *take root* among the people we serve. We are working at being engaged in two distinct, but related ministries: 1) discipleship and evangelism in and through our local church, and 2) holistic discipleship in the marketplace through a Christian non-profit.

As it relates to the first ministry, we've been very involved in our local church where Jeff is a preaching elder and I take an active role in outreach ministries to children and teaching ESL. Much of our ministry involves living life shoulder to shoulder with the members of our church. This was a particularly powerful component of our ministry in the past year or so after we experienced a devastating earthquake as well as a tight military lockdown related to the pandemic. Our church's outreach quickly transitioned to providing food and necessities to families both within our church but also in our community. As a church body, we have been able to start building meaningful relationships with several of these families receiving food and are praying that the seeds of the Gospel that we have been planting and watering in their lives will ultimately bear fruit. Walking closely with the members of our church through a hard year greatly deepened our relationship with them and their trust in us. More importantly, we all grew in trust and dependency in the Lord!

As it relates to our second ministry, Jeff has spearheaded the expansion of developing relationships with professionals in the marketplace who would not normally darken the doors of the local church. Because of Jeff's prior professional experience as a business lawyer, he's able to develop relationships with businessmen and lawyers that most missionaries and pastors wouldn't be able to. Through these relationships, the Gospel is shared.

## **Praises and prayers:**

- Praise God for the new relationships our church is forming in our community. Please pray that these individuals would accept Christ.
- Praise God for new opportunities available to Jeff among Christians who desire to start Kingdom focused business for God's glory. Pray that they can come alongside these brothers and sisters with know-how and resources and with gospel encouragement.
- Praise God for His grace to us during our first term. Please pray for us as we transition back to the US for a year home assignment and process and debrief the past four and a half years.

Daylight saving time will begin at 2:00 AM on

**Sunday, March 14**

Don't forget to change your clocks before you go to bed Saturday night.



**SPRING  
FORWARD**

SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD!

Remember, if we cancel services due to weather, (Sunday or Wednesday), It will be posted on the MMBC Facebook page & website. It will also be on WNDU TV and posted on the WNDU website and app. It may also be on WFRN. Also, if Elkhart Community



Schools are closed due to weather, we will follow the same schedule for our weekday ministries.

WFRN Radio 104.7,

Website: <http://wfrn.com/news/closings.php>

WNDU TV, Channel 16,

Website: <http://www.wndu.com/closings>

*Rescheduled!*



*Love Came  
Down*

**Sunday School Program**

Sunday

March 21, 2021

6-7PM

*Refreshments to follow program in MPR*

*Save  
the  
Date*



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 13 - THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 2021**

**Friends of Israel Virtual Conference**

**March 5-7**



This is a virtual conference with 8 sessions:

- TWO on Friday evening (March 5);
- TWO on Saturday morning (March 6);
- TWO on Saturday evening (March 6);
- and TWO on Sunday night (March 7).

For more information and to register please visit their website.

<https://www.foiconferences.org/>



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*Perfecting the saints for the work of ministry ...*

*McCoy Memorial Baptist Church is a community of believers existing to honor God by becoming fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.*

*Therefore, as a church we purpose to:*

- ♦ **Exalt** the Living God (Psalm 95:1-3)
- ♦ **Explore** the Word of God (2 Timothy 2:15)
- ♦ **Encourage** the Family of God (Hebrews 10:25) and
- ♦ **Extend** the Love of God (Mark 16:15)