

MADISON FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

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Welcome to Madison Church! We are glad you have joined us today. We are here to worship the great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who died for our sins that we may have forgiveness, and who rose from the dead that we may have blessed lives here and eternal life hereafter.

If you are a guest, we are especially glad to have you. Make yourself at home! Our prayer is that you will sense the love of God and the love of God's people. If you have questions or concerns, please speak with any of our people. We will be glad to talk with you. Our SALAD (Sunday Afternoon Lunch and Devotion) today is in the gym. All are invited to stay and enjoy the meal and fellowship..

Upcoming Events

SALAD	Today	Gym
R & D Group	Jan 27, 6:00 PM	Paul and Diane's
Bible Study	Jan 29, 6:30 PM	Church
Progressive Meal for UAH	Feb 15	Various Homes

Sunday School – 9:30 AM

Children's Class (ages pre-K – 1st grade) - Upstairs

Children's Class (6th grade – Up) - By Copy Room

Adult I - Room 216 Adult II - Room 214

Ladies Class - Conference Room

Children's Class (2nd – 5th grade) - Room 212

Children's Church – 10:45 AM

Children (ages 3–10) - Room 212

Madison Catechism

WILL JESUS COME TO EARTH AGAIN?

Yes. At a time that God the Father has planned, Jesus will gloriously return to earth (Hebrews 9:28). He will then take all believers to heaven and condemn all unbelievers to hell (Matthew 25:31–46).

Sundays

Sunday School	9:30 AM
Morning Worship	10:30 AM
Sunday Afternoon	Lunch Noon

Wednesdays

Adults	6:30 PM
Youth	6:30 PM
Children	6:30 PM

Our SALAD (Sunday Afternoon Lunch and Devotion) today is in the gym immediately following our morning worship service. It will be hosted by Seth and Michelle Morgan. Pasta is on the menu. Feel free to bring sides, desserts, drinks. The fellowship will be as good as the food. Stay and enjoy this time together with the church family.

Thank you all for the love and expressions of sympathy extended to me and my family following the death of my brother, Mike. The flowers, food, texts, phone calls, and e-mails and especially the prayers were very much appreciated. Thank you also to those who made the trip to attend the service. Love you all! Ray and Betty Ragsdale

Sarah DeWitt has made plans to go to Cuba with the Hanna project. She and others will be working at the Cedars of Lebanon Seminary in Pinar del Rio. This institution trains Christians to share the gospel and for many decades has been a powerful instrument in the hands of God to bring Cubans to faith in Christ. The cost of the trip is \$2,000. Please prayerfully consider making a contribution to Sarah's account. Earmark your check as "Cuba Trip," and we will see that it gets to her. She will be there February 7–14. Of course, prayers are greatly appreciated also.

The **Reading and Discussion Group (R & D Group)** will meet tomorrow night, **January 27, at Paul and Diane's house (120 Pearle Cove Drive, Huntsville)**. This week we will discuss the chapter in our ethics book dealing with alcohol and drugs, especially focusing on the issues of whether drinking in moderation is acceptable for Christians and whether recreational marijuana use is fitting for believers. The basically stand-alone chapters in the book allow anyone who wants to join the group to do so at any point. We are about halfway through, with approximately five hundred pages to go. The church purchases books for those participating. Contact Pastor Paul or Mitchell Moody if you have any questions.

Our church has been blessed with the opportunity to serve **international students at the University of Alabama at Huntsville** by hosting a "**progressive**" dinner on **Saturday, February 15**. If you are not familiar with progressive dinners, the idea is that a group of people travels to different houses and has different courses of their meal (*e.g.*, salads, appetizers, entrees, and dessert) at those residences. At this point, we are uncertain of just how many students will participate, but it could be that each home would need to serve ten to twenty. If you are willing to host a course that evening or help out in some way, please let Mitchell Moody or Pastor Paul know soon as we work out the specifics for the night. We may need as many as six families to participate. Thank you in advance for everyone's support! This is a great opportunity for us to serve the international students of UAH and to make an impression on them for the Lord.

Nursery Workers Needed! We are looking for volunteers to help in the infant nursery during Sunday school and worship services. If you would like to minister in this way, contact Kelsey VanStaden (256-348-9986).

During these winter months, visit our church website or Facebook page to get updates about any adjustments to the church schedule because of weather issues.

Pastor Paul has been working through **questions and answers regarding basic Christianity in his Sunday morning sermons**. Today's sermon is the first of the final five in this series.

Sunday School Refreshments – Michelle's class is providing refreshments for February.