

VIEW FROM THE MOUNT

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Moment From The Mount

I am just absolutely thrilled that Mount Nebo Methodist Church voted to join The Global Methodist Church!

We've been through quite a lot together over the past couple of years, and I'm so very grateful that God made a way for Mount Nebo to get here, to this place, together.

In our Sunday morning worship this past weekend, I used an accidental spilling of my stuff during my sermon as an illustration. If I were a smarter preacher, I would have tipped someone off about it ahead of time and been sure that someone was going to reach out to help me.

But I had faith in our church, and Sue Kaulen hopped right up and helped me clean up my mess.

Together.

That's how we're going to do great things at Mount Nebo, and I can't wait to see what God has in store for us next.

Yours and His,
Pastor Glenn



- 3 – Methodist Men
- 11 - Trustee's Meeting
- 12 - Shrove Tuesday, Pancake Supper
- 13 - Ash Wednesday Service
- 18 - Council Meeting 6:00 PM
- 19 - 1st Session of Max Lucado Study – He Chose The Nails
- 26 -2nd Session of – He Chose The Nails

Prayer Team meets every Tuesday evening at 7:00.
Led by Louis Lopez
Come help us pray for our church, our community, nation, our world.

Vespers and a Meal

Every Wednesday night, meals start at 6:30 with Vespers at 7:30. The Meal rotation is as follows:

- 7 – Bea West
- 14 – John Crabtree
- 21 – Yanet Lopez
- 28 – Nolen Eastham

If you would like to help in meal preparation, please let us know.



American



We observe American Heart Month every February because every year more than 600,000 Americans die from heart disease. The number one cause of deaths for most groups, heart disease affects all ages, genders, and ethnicities. Risk factors include high cholesterol, high blood pressure, smoking, diabetes, and excessive alcohol use.

On the first Friday (2nd) of February is **National Wear Red Day** in The United States. It's your chance to raise awareness for heart disease while also wearing your favorite red outfit.

Lenten Study **February 19, March 4,11,& 18.**

Max Lucado: He Chose The Nails, What God did to Win Your Heart

Session 1: He Chose to Be One of Us Pages: 1-27
Chapters 1, 2, & 3

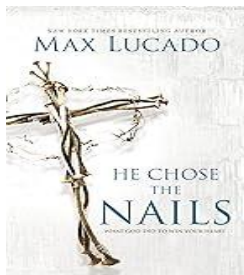
Session 2: He Chose to Forgive Us Pages 28-68
Chapters 4, 5, 6, & 7

Session 3: He Chose to Invite Us into His Presence Pages 57 - 85
Chapters 7, 8, 9, & 10

Session 4: He Chose to Love Us Forever Pages 99 - 125
Chapters 11, 12, & 13

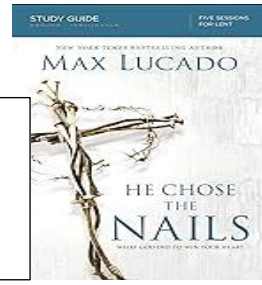
Session 5: He Chose to Give Us Victory Pages 127 -151
Chapters 14, 15, & Final Words

He chose Nails is a video study. We will have a meal which starts at 11:30 and our Lenten Study will be from 12:00 - 1:00. We will have simple meals; soup and sandwiches, and or salad and a baked potato bar. If you are interested in helping with the food there is a sign-up list in the hallway.



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Amazon, Paper Back, Study Guide
\$8.99



I use the Study Guide for discussion. If you want me to order the book or Study Guide, let me know which you want. Send me you name and the book you want as soon as possible. You can pay when they arrive.

Please sign up to attend. The list is on Bulletin Board in Church Hallway. If you would like to help with the meals there is a sign-up list in the same area. Hope you join us.



BIG THANK YOU TO HOME DEPOT

They donated a Bucket Lift to put up and take down the outdoor Christmas tree. Their donation also included free delivery. They were great in working with us.

We appreciated your help and assistance Home Depot!



Results From View From The Mount Survey

A big than you to all who replied to the survey request. We received 12 responses with the following comments:

Add topics covered at Council and Trustee Meetings

Continue as in the past

Have more contributions from everyone

Adult's page would be fun with kids page



So, we would love to have more people send in their thoughts, poems, ideas, and comments. To help make this newsletter really Mount Nebo's. Have a great month and love to receive your contributions.



We are starting a New Year. Sorry that we had to cancel our very first meeting. So, with that said please come and join us on Feb. 17, from 10:00 to 12:00. Rita will be doing a devotion titled "The Quiet Sin That Can Steal Your Joy in God." We don't have a craft scheduled for Feb. If you have something please let me know. And as always we will need people to step up and help with breakfast. Susan has volunteered to do the sweets every month. If you can help in some way please let me know. I hope that we will be able to do some type of outreach for the Church. If you have any ideas please bring them with you in Feb. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone there. Thank you for being so faithful to our group.

Debbie Landsberger



SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER



Are you ready for a great pancake supper with plenty of pancakes and bacon. Then a couple of pancake flipping games following the meal. Bring your favorite small skillet! Hope to see you then.

February 13 at 6:30 PM in Mount Nebo Fellowship Hall.

Ash Wednesday is one of the "most popular and important holy days" of the Christian faith. It marks the beginning of the Lenten season that leads up to Easter..

Ash Wednesday – also known as the Day of Ashes – is a day of repentance and fasting when Christians confess their sins and profess their devotion to God. The ashes represent penance, acknowledging and showing remorse for their sins. This tradition dates back to 1901.

Lent is the 46-day that precedes the holiday of Easter. It also represents the 40 days Jesus wandered the desert praying and fasting after he was baptized. Despite Jesus' 40-day journey, Lent lasts 46 days. Sundays during Lent are not "prescribed days" of fasting and abstinence, so those don't count. Lent is an homage to Jesus 40 days in the desert in preparation for his ministry on earth. The purpose of observing Lent is for Christians to Prepare for the coming of Easter by getting closer to God and repenting of sins. So the point of giving up something is to do penance to seek forgiveness, as well as to participate in some small way with Jesus' suffering in the desert.

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Jan. 21, 2024, We opened at 12:15 with a prayer. Present was John, Jim, Rita, Susan Glenn, Sid, Debbie T. , Nina, and Debbie L.

The order of business was to elect officers. John Crabtree was nominated for President and unanimously elected. Logan Claborn was nominated for Vice President and unanimously elected. Debbie Landsperger was nominated as secretary and unanimously elected. There was no other business discussed. We adjourned at 12:45 and Pastor Glenn closed with a prayer.

Debbie Landsperger

Church Council Monthly Meeting - Minutes 1/26/2024

In Attendance: Rita Clemmons, Pastor Glenn Petero, John Crabtree, Jim Card, Beverley Bailey, Sid Bailey, Nina Waller, Howard Waller, Larry Landsperger, Debbie Landsperger, Kaylie Claborn, Logan Claborn, and Nolen Eastham.

The regular meeting of the Church Council was held on Sunday January 21, 2024, at 6:00PM, with Church Council Chair Rita Clemmons presiding. Rita called the meeting to order with a prayer. She called our attention to 1 Peter 5:2, be willing to serve as God wants you to serve. The minutes of the prior meeting from November 26, 2023, were reviewed and approved with corrections.

Old Business: Discussion about the next direction for Mount Nebo Methodist Church. We had been consumed with the disaffiliation process for months. Now it is time to move forward. We have had speakers for AIM and Global Methodists. Compare and contrast pros and cons of all options. After discussion, Rita passed out a ballot for Council Members to vote on their preference. Vote was unanimous, 9-0, to recommend to the congregation to join the Global Methodist Church. Discussion about who would be allowed to vote at our Church Conference. One option was to allow everyone who comes to worship next Sunday should be allowed to vote. Another option was to only allow members to vote. Lots of discussion. Motion to restrict voting to members only, 8-2, motion passed. Discussion about percentage needed to pass the question of aligning with the Global Methodist Church. Motion to require simple majority needed, 10-0, motion carried. At the Church Conference Sunday 1/28/2024, 12PM, passing out ballots for a recorded vote, we would need a recording secretary and two tellers. Motion to nominate Nolen Eastham as Recording Secretary, and nominate Debbie Landsperger and Nina Waller as tellers, 10-0, motion passed. In other new business, Pastor Glenn invited folks to attend a, "What's Next?" GMC event Feb 10, at 10AM, at Norcross Methodist Church.

Trustees: John gave the results of the January Trustees meeting. Trustees elected John, President; Logan Claborn, Vice President; and Debbie Landsperger, Secretary. Kelly Ellison, (LaDonna's granddaughter), wanted to rent the Fellowship Hall for \$150.00. Motion to allow Baby Shower on 2/11/2024 from 2-4PM, with Kelly to provide set-up before, and clean-up afterwards, vote in favor unanimous, motion passed. Update on moving the church office into the library room, and the Sunday School moving to the office. Help needed, especially moving the heavier items.

Finance: Beverly distributed a Statement of Activities Finance report for the year 2023. Explanation of Revenues, Expenditures, Operating Expenses vs Other Expenses. 2024 proposed Budget will be submitted after reviewing what we spent in 2023. We still have funds available in the old checking account, to be closed mid-February, and we have opened a new checking account moving forward. Big Thanks to Mary for doing this. Review of Benevolence and Bereavement monies and committees. There is money in savings, CD's, and investments that we may be required to move depending on affiliation with United Methodists. We could cash out some low interest CD's and reinvest in new ones at a higher rate. We may change to another institution, for example, LGE, Peoples Financial, or Greystone. Motion to authorize the Finance Committee to decide if we need to transfer these funds, and into which institution, unanimous vote in favor, motion carried.

Methodist Men: Sid reported about our last meeting. "Get out of our comfort zone," is our goal for 2024. We will learn more about some jobs that other people handle, so we can help when needed. We have passed out blankets and coats to the police for homeless people living in cars. Next month, we plan to visit the sick in WellStar Hospital. We will have a Bible Study of the Book of Romans. First discussion on chapters 1,2, and 3. Next meeting is Saturday February 3, 9AM beginning at the church.

Methodist Women: Debbie confirmed the first meeting of 2024 would be on February 10, 10-12.

More Old Business: Day Bible Study for Lent, Mac Lucado, *“He Chose the Nails,”* begins February 19. The survey regarding our Newsletter had several responses. One request was to have minutes from Trustees and Church Council meetings. Also, people need to contribute articles, notes, thoughts, events, and items for the church to consider. Big Thanks to Rita for producing the VFTM monthly!

Building 4 the Future: John has been in contact with Sid Howell, general contractor. Larry has also met with Sid and recommends him. Sid is willing to come to our next Church Council meeting in February to discuss options for our future. He has examples of buildings he has completed.

New Business: We put events for the beginning of February on our calendar. Valentines, Shrove Tuesday, Ash Wednesday, Men, Women, Trustees (2/11). Kaylie’s wedding ceremony at Mount Nebo in April. Shower for her on Saturday March 16, from 2-4PM. Nolen read John 14:27. Finishing up a long disaffiliation period, and beginning a long building project, we need God’s Peace to be able to proceed without fear. God reminds us over 365 times, one for every day in a year, “do not be afraid”.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:25PM. Pastor Glenn ended the meeting with a prayer.

The next Church Council meeting is scheduled for Sunday February 18, 2024, at 6PM



Mount Nebo Methodist Church Conference Minutes 1/28/2024

In attendance: Pastor Glenn Petero and many members of the Mount Nebo Methodist Church.

On January 28, 2024, at 12PM, Pastor Glenn Petero called to order The Mount Nebo Methodist Church Conference for the sole purpose of voting on the issue of joining the Global Methodist Church. Pastor Glenn opened with a prayer.

The first item of business was to elect a Recording Secretary and two Tellers. The Church Council had nominated Nolen Eastham as Recording Secretary. Nolen accepted the nomination. The floor was opened for other nominees, none offered, nominations closed. All in favor, none opposed, Nolen Eastham confirmed as Recording Secretary. Our Church Council had also nominated Deborah Landsperger and Nina Waller as Tellers. They both accepted the nomination. The floor was opened for any other nominees, none offered, nominations closed. All in favor, none opposed, Deborah Landsperger and Nina Waller confirmed as Tellers.

Pastor Glenn offered a brief explanation of the voting process. Motion made to join the Global Methodist Church. Yes, is to agree to join. No, is to not join the Global Methodist Church.

Members picked up their ballots, and when instructed, voted. Completed ballots were collected and were counted by the two Tellers. During the counting period, the

congregation sang, "I Love to Tell the Story." 37 ballots were given out and counted. 35 Yes, 2 No. Motion carried.

Rita Clemmons closed the meeting with a prayer, and we adjourned at 12:10PM.

**Note, after the meeting was adjourned, the two people who cast No votes said it was a mistake. They wanted to vote Yes. According to Roberts Rules of Order, "A member has the right to change his vote up to the time the result is finally announced. After that, he can make the change only by unanimous permission of the assembly." The outcome would not change. We had voted to join the Global Methodist Church, and the assembly was not reconvened. However, this confirms a unanimous decision by members to join the Global Methodist Church



Valentine's Day Is for Christian Love

Valentine's Day is for honoring love;
To show those we love we care.
Red hearts with tender sentiments
We send, our love to share.

So on Valentine's Day we're reminded
Of our very first Christian goal:
To love the Lord with all our heart
And all our mind and soul.

To love our neighbor as ourselves
We are also told to do,
So let's live our love by the Bible;
It's God's word, flawless and true.

If we give this Christian Valentine first,
We'll never run out of love,
For infinite love will come to us
From God in heaven above.

By Joanna Fuchs



Wise Sayings

The smallest, good deed is better
than the grandest intention.

The best place to solve a problem
is... alone with God in a warm cozy
kitchen

It may be true that life begins at 40,
but everything else starts to wear
out, fall out, or spread out.

"Silence Gossip" Be a shock
absorber and refuse to repeat it.

Worry is like a rocking chair. It gives
you something to do but gets you
nowhere.

I grumbled because I had to get up
in the morning, until one morning I
couldn't get up.

Beware of the half-truth...you may
bet the wrong half.

Happy people want very little... and
enjoy that very much

Contributed by Bea West

Love Word Search

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Find the hidden words.



K Y D S N G E G I P B E E E H
U P A E M L G A A V E A B O N
W R T V Q F P R R J A T P W E
U E I E Z J R B R Z R E O P Z
U N R I G H T E O U S N E S S
N E B L B Q P P G F M H C J K
N S Q E K E R S A V P P R P X
E J E B C O P T N C M L C X Q
R N S C V O N E T N X J J T C
D P D O I E M D E R E F F U S
Y N K U I O R I J E A L O U S
R E I T R D J O N F L C G V K
D R A K F E Z E A G X M K O F
Z P Y Z D A S R R R L S R A W
Q T K X B W R E V E N Y Y C N

Is **PATIENT**

Is not **PROVOKED**

Is **KIND**

Does not take into account a wrong **SUFFERED**

Is not **JEALOUS**

Does not rejoice in **UNRIGHTEOUSNESS**

Does not **BRAG**

REJOICES with the truth

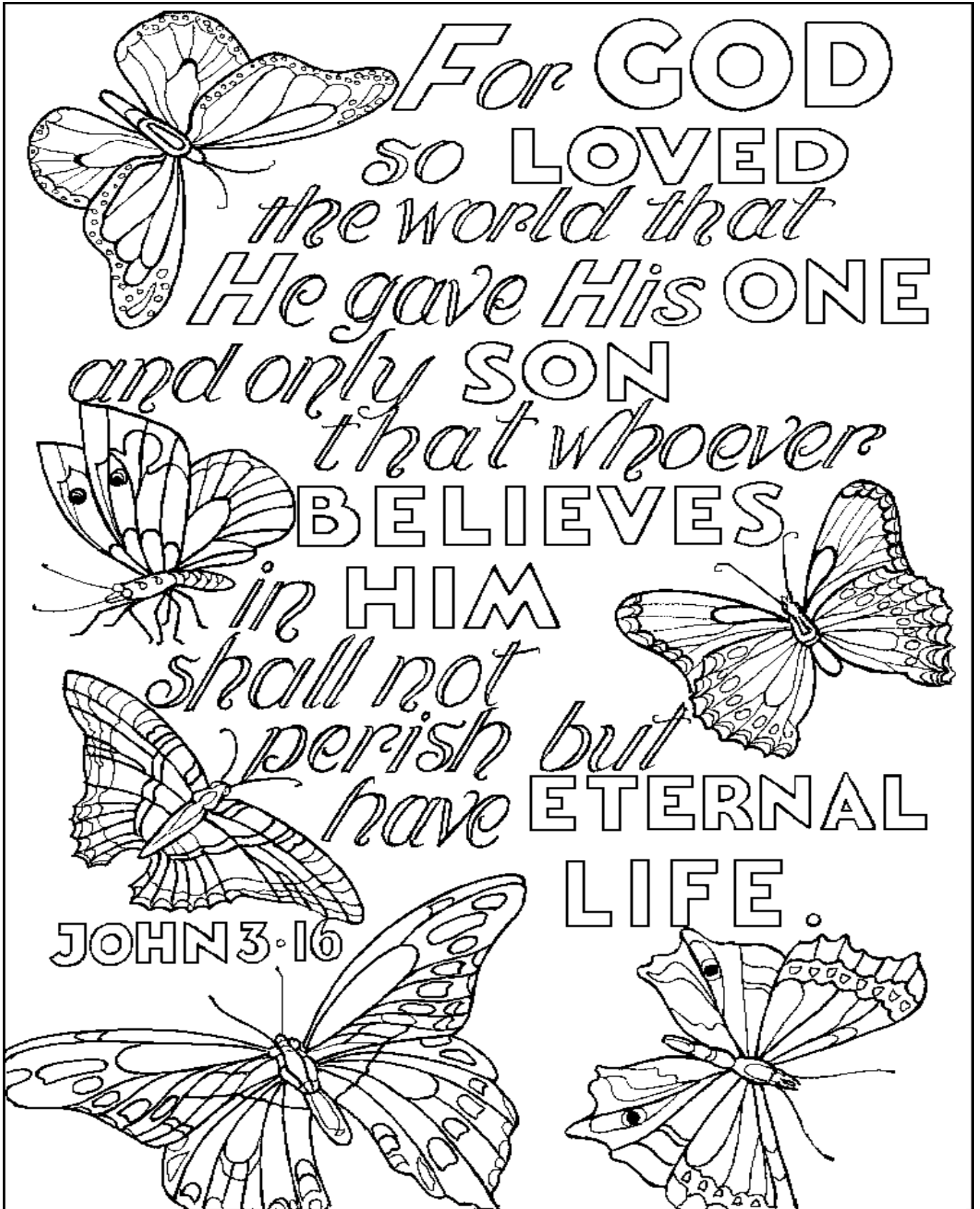
Is not **ARROUGANT**

BEARS all things

Does not act **UNBECOMINGLY**

BELIEVES all things

Adult Coloring page: for you to color with gel pens, markers, to either keep and put on your fridge as a daily reminder or give away to a friend who needs a lift!





Ashley Brown.....	1 st
Malene Nesbitt.....	6 th
Laurie Jewell.....	6 th
Charlee White.....	9 th
Bernard Aime.....	11 th
Jane Mezza.....	15 th
Sherry Roberts.....	16 th
John Crabtree.....	16 th
Ricky Clemmons.....	17 th
Steve Rice.....	17 th



We would like extend our sincere condolences to Darryl Sewell and family in the loss of his mother Evelyn Sewell. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you as you go through this time of sorrow.