

Madison Christian Church

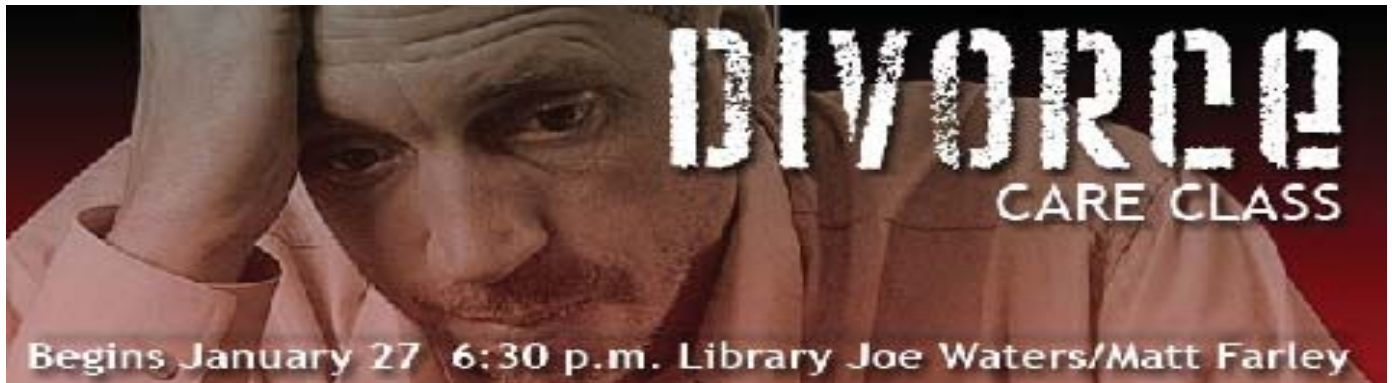
Messenger

January 21, 2010

Dave Ramsey's
Financial Peace
 UNIVERSITY

Begins January 27 6:30 p.m. Room 756 Chris Johnston

Join us for one of these new classes.



DIVORCED
 CARE CLASS

Begins January 27 6:30 p.m. Library Joe Waters/Matt Farley

Sunday Events

Worship Services.....9:00/10:30 am
 Adult Bible Fellowship.....9:00/10:30 am
 "Hour of Power" Prayer Time.....6:00 pm
 High School Youth Group.....6:00pm

Wednesday Events

Evening Dinner.....5:30 pm
 "KidCity" (2yrs.-6th grade).....6:30 pm
 Jr. High Youth Group.....6:30 pm
 Adult "Disciple U" Classes.....6:30 pm
 (Programs run September through April)

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Paul's Perspective

We noted for you last Sunday that the “**So We Can.....**” campaign to reduce/eliminate the debt of Madison Christian Church has exceeded the **\$400,000.00** mark! It is easy to do the arithmetic here – we began the campaign with a total indebtedness of \$750,000 – so we have \$350,000 to go to be totally out of debt. That’s exciting in itself, but what is even more exciting is to contemplate the resources for ministry that will be freed up. Remember, we are doing this campaign **SO WE CAN DO GREAT MINISTRY**. All praise to God for these great results.

Wednesday, January 27 is the start date! **BOTH** the **Divorce Care Class** and **Financial Peace University** will be starting on that Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. Divorce Care will be led by Joe Waters and Matt Farley and will meet in Room 753. Financial Peace University will be led by Chris and Diana Johnston and will meet in Room 756. **WE ARE EXCITED TO MAKE THESE CLASSES AVAILABLE!!**

The Madison Christian Chapter of the Scioto Ridge Job Networking Group, effective immediately, is going to become part of the Grove City Chapter. Scioto Ridge is in the process of consolidating locations, streamlining their operations, and reducing the number of existing chapters. We are honored to have been part of this ministry. A number of our church people and people from our community directly benefited from their association with Scioto Ridge. Particularly in the present economy, please pray for the ongoing ministry of Scioto Ridge Job Networking Group.

There are some exciting things on the horizon! We will be making new inroads into small groups. We will be having some concerts and major outreach events. All of this activity will be focused on our mission: Reaching People for Christ and Helping Believers Grow to be More Like Him. Pray that more people are reached and disciplined in 2010 than at any other time in our history.

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Music and Worship



A Minute With Matt

Many thanks to Justin Olson, Jenna Derr, and the “boys in the band” who led second service Sunday. Most of you may not know it, but it was a blessing to my wife Donna and I to see our oldest son Ben “fiddling” and second son Luke playing electric guitar for the worship set. Thanks also to Kyle and Joey who play with a local Christian band called “Though She Wrote” for helping us on bass and drums. We enjoyed the energy of their youth as they led us. It’s refreshing to have different styles in our worship venue each week. Thanks to all.

As Paul leads us through the “Spiritually Fit” series, I am also challenged to look into areas of my life where I need refinement. May God challenge you to think and reflect upon the successes and opportunities that God places in front of you to grow and stretch your faith and “fitness.” I am doing more thinking and praying in many areas myself!! The songs that I choose each week attempt to reflect the ideas, scriptural references, and sermon points that Paul uses each week. I hope you sing, hum, and carry the tunes with you during the week. Their inclusion in the services are very intentional!

The first service choir is preparing some new music by the Brooklyn Tabernacle choir, and it would sure be great if we had 30-40 folks in the choir. We rehearse on Wednesday nights at 6:45 pm in the music room. Come and join us.

We will have some exciting news to announce in the next couple of weeks about some upcoming concerts in the area, including some opportunities for us to host some wonderful Christian Artists. More details will be coming **THIS SUNDAY**, January 24, in both worship services.

Please note that Art Bush who was in concert here at Madison on Sunday, Nov. 22, sent us a nice thank you letter. We will let you know when Art’s shipment of CD’s arrive.

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MCC Children's Ministry

GOD IS GOOD!!

As most of you are aware, my father left for a mission trip to Haiti on January 10. They arrived in Haiti on the 11th. The team that he was with was preparing to go to different churches in the area of Christianville Mission to preach, but before they could even get started the 7.3 earthquake hit. When we heard that there was an earthquake, I called Paul Barnes who willingly sent out a phone tree and you (Madison Christian Church) started to pray even before we had heard that dad and his team were ok. Let me just say how comforting it is when you know your family member is being lifted up by so many people. Monday, January 18, at 4:30 pm, my father and his team landed in Florida. They are tired and have been eaten up by mosquitoes, but they are doing really well and they are glad to be home. With all of this in mind, I want to thank you for the calls and prayers that you lifted up on behalf of my family and my dad. I love being part of a church family that cares for one another like this church does. Also, my father (Bill Hauser) wanted me to pass along to you how grateful he is too! He also wants you to keep Christianville as well as the safety and peace for the missionaries still in Haiti in your prayers. Thank you for praying. Isn't God Good?



Don't forget that SuperStart registration is due February 14. If you would like more information about SuperStart, please contact Jason today or check out their website <http://www.ciy.com/superstart/>.

5th SUNDAY

Don't forget that January 31 is the 5th Sunday! That means that the kids (1st-6th grade) who attend 2nd service will sit with their parents on this special Sunday. Sunday School during 1st service still operates as usual. See you on Sunday!

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MCC Youth Ministry

MCCRefuge.org!

Looking for more specific information on Youth Ministry special events? Want to read a blog written by Justin? Want to see pictures from past events? Log onto www.mccrefuge.org and experience the new youth website for yourself!

Guys Super Bowl Party

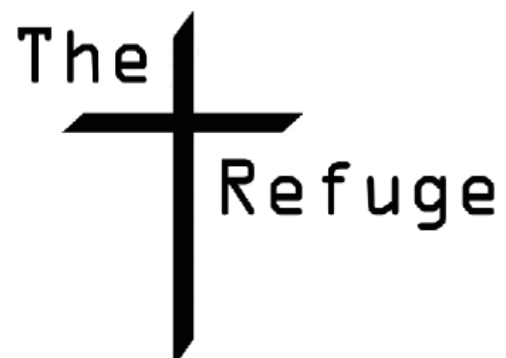
All Senior High guys (sorry girls) are invited to attend a Super Bowl party at Justin's apartment on Sunday, February 7th. For directions see Justin. The game is at 6:30 pm and we hope to see you there!

CIY Believe

Believe is a weekend conference for Junior High students. With some of the best worship and speakers available, Believe is the best event around for students in 7th and 8th grade! Registration is \$85 and covers transportation, conference registration, and the hotel stay. This year's conference is February 12th and 13th in Cincinnati, OH. See Justin or Marshall to register, and you can find more information on the website.

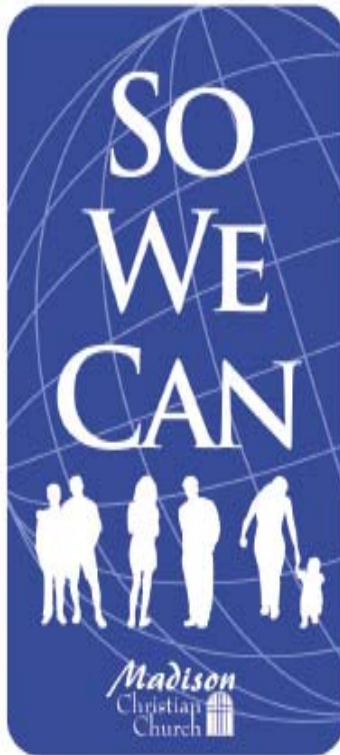
Camp Dates

Save these dates for camp this summer-
Senior High Camp- June 13th-18th
Junior High Camp- August 8th-13th



*The Refuge at Madison Christian Church;
Getting Together and Growing Deeper...*

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Goal \$ 750,000
Total Pledges
\$ 464,216.00

Total Giving Received
as of 1/17, 2010
\$402,271.92

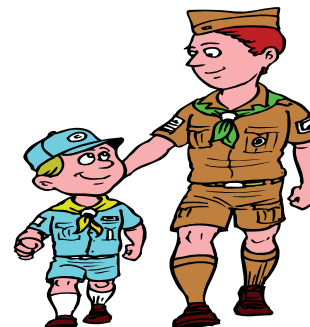


The next Men's breakfast is on Saturday, February 6th at 8:00 am, in the Fireside Room. Matt Archibald and Pastors 3 will be singing. Please plan on attending. This should be an entertaining event. We have had such a great turnout for these breakfasts. It's pleasing to see the Fireside Room full of men enjoying the fellowship. Jesus has smiled on this ministry and all of the guys who volunteer to cook and clean have a great time. If you feel the need to help with these breakfasts, or the Men's Ministry, let Russ Herr, Dave Graham or John Connett know.

The Valentines dinner planned for February 13th, in the Fireside Room was a sellout. Thanks to everyone who purchased tickets for this dinner. This is the first of what we plan to be an annual event.

CUB / BOY SCOUTS

Would you like to join the Cub or Boy Scouts? They meet on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm. Cub scouts need to be age 5 and 10 1/2, and the Boy scouts need to be age 10 1/2 or older. Contact Shawn Emerson at 491-2776 for more information.



Newsletter Deadline

The next Messenger will be published on February 4, 2010. Please have all articles to the church office by February 1, 2010. The Messenger will be available at the Welcome Center on Sunday, February 7, or you can view it on the web at www.madisonchristian.org.

Newsletter Subscription

If your e-mail address has changed make sure to unsubscribe your old address and subscribe with your new address. Go to our home page and select the "Newsletter" option on the menu then choose "subscribe" to make your changes.

THANK YOU

Dear Madison Christian Church,
It was an enjoyable experience to be with you in November. You were so kind with your offering and gifts. God bless you as you strive to build His Kingdom in Groveport. Your fellow worker in Christ.
Art Bush

I want to thank those who took time out of their lives to deliver my Christmas Basket of Fruit. I did appreciate it. In Christian Love,
Ruth Woods

Dear Fellow Believers,
I wish to thank you for the tasty fruit basket. I am so blessed to be a part of this compassionate church. In Christian Love,
Thelma Munson

Dear MCC,
We'd like to thank you for the nice basket of fruit we received at Christmas, and a big thank you to all those who come with communion and visits throughout the year. Our thanks and appreciation for all the cards and prayers from our church family. God Bless,
Roger & Ethel Jett

Dear MCC,
What a surprise, thank you for thinking of me with the fruit basket. Blessings of love to all of you in the new year.
Mary Peck

Dear MCC,
I would like to thank my church family for thinking of me during the holiday season. I'm not able to get to church as often as I would like. I look forward to the newsletter each time. Yours in Christ,
Pauline Rogers

Words can't express my sincerest and most heartfelt gratitude for all your prayers during our time of need. Shane is making a full recovery (from necrotizing pneumonia) with no lingering after effects. It's true the power of prayer can not be denied. Sincerely,
Judy Nathivicies

Tileagd Children's Choir
On Sunday, February 21, we will welcome the Tileagd Children's Choir from Romania. They are coming with the Smiles Foundation, a group supported by our Mission Committee. These are primarily poor gypsy children who use their voices to glorify the Lord in a beautiful way. They will sing in our morning worship services and present a concert at 6:30 p.m. on that Sunday evening. They will make a presentation to Madison Christian School on Monday morning.

NURSERY WORKERS

We still need a few volunteers to work in the Toddler Nursery one Sunday a month for three months. If you are interested, please call Laura Sibbalds at 740-756-7370 or the church office at 614-491-3232.

Dear God,

Let me not whine and whimper over things I have no control over.

Give me the best response when I'm pushed beyond my limits.. I know that when I can't pray, You will listen to my heart.

Continue to use me to do Your will. Continue to bless me that I may be a blessing to others.

Keep me strong that I may help the weak... Keep me uplifted that I may have words of encouragement for others.

I pray that every eye that reads this knows there is no problem, circumstance, or situation greater than God.

Every battle is in Your hands for You to fight.

I pray that these words be received into the hearts of every eye that sees it.

In Jesus' name. AMEN

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January 10, 2010	Attendance	January 17, 2010	Attendance
	Morning Worship 467		Morning Worship 494
	ABF/Sunday School 105		ABF/Sunday School 88
	2009 Decisions 1	MCS Reimbursement \$9,100.00	2010 Decisions 1
	Sunday Sr. High Youth Group 25		Sunday Sr. High Youth Group 23
	Wednesday Night Activities 179		Sunday Senior High Youth Group 23
	Sunday Morning Stewardship \$10,759.05		Sunday Morning Stewardship \$14,271.92
	"So We Can..." Giving \$1,841.00		"So We Can..." Giving \$2,240.00

Madison Christian School

The Madison Journal



Annual Open House for Prospective New Families

An Annual MCS Open House for P-12 Prospective New Families will be offered on **Thursday, February 25, 7-8 p.m.** Please encourage friends, neighbors and family members to tour the school, speak to teachers, and preview curriculum and materials for next school year.

Application forms for new students are available in the school offices by calling 497-3456 for grades P-6 or 497-3310 for grades 7-12 or downloaded online at www.madisonchristianschool.com.

Enrollment dates for 2010-2011:	Feb. 1-19	Current Students
	Feb. 22-26	Siblings of Current Families
	March 1	New Families

Please look for our upcoming ads in The Southeast Messenger prepared by Mrs. Hughes and her Art III students, along with ideas from our Development Director, Mr. Duncan Thorp.

Planning for the Senior Class Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction

The Senior Class of 2010 welcomes you to participate in the March 5th Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction that helps fund their class/mission trip to Florida this Spring. If you have auction items or services to donate, please call the high school office at 497-3310. This event provides wonderful food and fellowship in the Activity Center gym. Tickets may be purchased in advance or at the door.



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