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VBS IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW

VBS Decorating Day #1

SAT, June 4, 2022 | 9:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

We need everyone who can come to help us to decorate! We will tackle two upstairs classrooms and the fellowship hall. Come help us put up posters, hang decorations, paint animals on cardboard, and much more... please help us make our spaces fun for our kids!

VBS Volunteer Meeting & Brunch

SAT, June 11, 2022 | 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

We will have coffee and donuts! And a craft for the kids while the volunteers meet! If you are willing to help us with making food, doing the registration, assisting in crafts, lessons, games, or anything during our 3-day VBS, we want you to come to this meeting! We will share our theme and our needs, and help you get excited about going to the Land Down Under to talk to our kids about the value of life!

VBS Decorating Day #2

SAT, June 25, 2022 | 9:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

If you are available and willing to help, we want you! We will decorate the sanctuary and put the finishing touches on all of our decor in preparation for Monday's adventures to the Outback!

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June Newsletter

Boston Baptist Sesquicentennial Spotlight



REV. JAMES McCANN RUSHIN

Boston, Georgia

Birth - July 15, 1838 –

Thomas County, Georgia

Death - February 15, 1893 -

Metcalfe, Georgia

James McCann Rushin was born in Thomas County, Georgia, on July 15, 1838; took in marriage to Miss Julia A. Groover on October 20, 1858; united with the Missionary Baptist Church at Grooverville during June 1868; was ordained for the ministry in the year 1872 at Grooverville.

Mr. Rushin served in the Confederate Army from June 1861 until the surrender in 1865, engaging in many desperate conflicts. On October 12, 1872, J.M. Rushin and Mrs. J.A. Rushin, along with others, presented themselves to be constituted into a Baptist Church at Boston, Thomas County, Georgia. Thirty - Four members constituted the new church. Elder J.M. Rushin was elected pastor. A committee of nine sisters were appointed to suggest a name for the church. They reported the name Macedonia, which upon motion was adopted.

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June Birthdays!

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| 2 June- Jimmy Boles | 19 June – Brent Howell |
| 6 June- Rick McDonnell | 20 June- Morgan Groover |
| 8 June- Dicky Cochran | 22 June- Kristy Howell |
| 8 June- Debbie Groover | 26 June- Byron Rhodes |
| 12 June- Erica Knight | |

The church building was located at the corner of Main Street and Jackson Street. Meetings of the church were on the second Saturday and Sunday of each month. This church building was destroyed by a storm in 1873. During the time the church building was being rebuilt, the church meetings were held at the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches. On September 13, 1873, the new church building was completed on the same lot, but years later was destroyed by fire. The name of Macedonia Baptist Church was changed to Boston Baptist Church on January 8, 1876.

On October 9, 1880, Bro. J.M. Rushin resigned as pastor and J.L. Underwood accepted the call. On October 8, 1881, Rev. J.M. Rushin was again called as pastor and accepted a salary of \$150.00 per year. In 1909, the church decided they wanted a church building more centrally located and purchased the present site. In the fall of 1913, the new church building was completed, and a homecoming service was held. Rev. J.M. Rushin preached the first sermon in this new building.

✂ Maintenance Committee Update ✂

Repairs and refinishing of the sanctuary floors began the week of May 23rd and completion of the work is expected to take about three to four weeks. The floor crew has covered the pews and furniture with plastic to protect them from dust so we will be meeting in the fellowship hall for Sunday worship and Wednesday night services during that time.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding maintenance issues, please contact a member of the maintenance committee.

🎵 Music Notes 🎵

School is out and summer officially begins on June 21st. I am sure everyone is looking forward to the summer holidays, vacations, and more time to spend with family and friends!

Father's Day is June 19th this year and the Choir is preparing music to honor our fathers on that special day. I would like to include some of the favorite songs of the men in our church that Sunday, so please let me know if you have a special request.

The Choir continues to meet for practice at 7:30 on Wednesday nights immediately following the prayer meeting. Please join us if you would like to be a part of this important church ministry.

Happy Summer!

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Forgot your morning coffee? We will have some to perk you up!

9:45 - 9:55 AM: coffee and fellowship

10:00 - 10:40 AM: Sunday School classes

We are so excited about some of our upcoming changes to Sunday School! We are hoping that changing things up will bring closer friendships, new faces, a deeper love for the Bible, and an excitement for learning together how to defend our faith.

Here are some of the exciting changes for this summer:

- We are syncing the curriculum. Now every age from the toddlers to the seniors will be going through the Bible together chronologically over a period of four years through our Answer in Genesis Sunday school lessons. We will learn and grow together. We will be encouraged in our faith and equipped with answers for a skeptical world.

- We are bringing the youth into our adult classes. We want to see these young people strengthened in their faith by getting to interact in a multi-generational class.

- On the first Sunday of June, July, and August, we will have a combined class for youth and adults in the fellowship hall. We need this larger space as our class has grown!

- On the other Sundays, we will divide into men's and women's classes. This will allow us to have smaller study groups where we can pray together and grow together over the summer. Men will meet upstairs in the spacious adult room and women will meet downstairs.

If you are not a part of our Sunday school program, we would like to invite you to join us this summer! See how the Lord can help you make closer friendships and learn to appreciate His Word even more through our classes!

-Rick and Bethany McDonnell

