

*Let my
Teaching
Fall like
Rain...*



*...Like
Abundant
Rain on
Tender
Plants.*

Deuteronomy 32:2

AUGUST 2026



Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.



Colossians 3:23-24

LOVE GOD ✦ LOVE NEIGHBOR ✦ MAKE DISCIPLES

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS



NEXT MEETING AUGUST 9TH 8:00-9:00 AM
Guest Speaker: MUMC Member, Lamar "L A" Alexander

Our United Methodist Men invite men of all ages to join them for breakfast on the 2nd Sunday of most months.

Come and bring a few friends to enjoy this rewarding time of food and fellowship!



RECREATION MINISTRY

Interested in coaching youth athletes?

No experience required! Grab your whistle and join the Recreation Ministry.



We are looking for coaches for soccer, basketball, cheerleading and flag football.

We will train you and provide all the resources you need.

The only requirement is a loving heart and a willing attitude to invest in the next generation of rising athletes. Please contact Lisa Kirk, Lisa@mceachernumc.org.

EXPLORE THE BELIEFS AND THEOLOGY OF THE UMC

Join us for a course in community!

UMC 101

5 SESSIONS
TUESDAYS, 6:30 AM - 7:30 PM
AUG. 4, 11, 18, 25, AND SEPT. 1
MCEACHERN MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



FACILITATED BY:
DR. BRETT OPALINSKI
*ASSISTANT DEAN OF METHODIST STUDIES;
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF SPIRITUAL FORMATION
AND CHURCH LEADERSHIP*

Methodism is more than a denomination; it is a way of following Jesus Christ. It is a story of grace and growing in love. In this class, we will explore the early days of the movement with John and Charles Wesley, and other early Methodists who followed the radical way of Jesus. We will explore the beliefs and theology that ground Methodists, as well as the Methodist spiritual practices that shape the movement. Finally, we will explore the Methodist story today and how the movement continues in a rapidly changing world.

Hosted in collaboration with  **THE CANDLER FOUNDRY** an initiative of Candler School of Theology

NURSERY MINISTRY

PARENTS' TIME AWAY
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY
9am - 1pm

Sign up once, as needed or by the Day/Week/Month/School Year
\$30 1st Child, \$25 1st Sibling, \$20 Each Additional Child
One-time Annual Family \$20 Fee

Register & Pay On-Line
www.mceachernumc.org/Next Generation
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ENJOY YOUR
PARENTS' TIME AWAY!
NOW OFFERING
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY!
REGISTER NOW!



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us on Sundays this Fall from 9:30-10:45 as we journey through the Bible together! We start each morning with 15 minutes of WeeJoice Children's Choir. We then head to our small groups to explore the Bible lesson and game with our age group.



THANKFUL FOR THE JOYRIDE THAT WAS VBS



WEDNESDAY NIGHT KIDS CLUB RESUMES SEPTEMBER 9TH

SCAN HERE TO JOIN OUR
VOLUNTEER TEAM!



SCAN HERE TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD
FOR THE MCEACHERN UMC CHILDREN'S
MINISTRY



We are so excited to offer Wednesday night programming, starting September 9th, but we need faith-filled volunteers to help us provide some great programs for our children! If you would like to be part of our Wednesday Night volunteer team, contact Lora@mceachernumc.org



FIND US ONLINE

Check out our page on the church website
and our facebook page



STUDENT MINISTRY

McEachern UMC Student Ministry

Back To School



AUGUST 2026

- 2 - Promotion Sunday, 9:30 AM
Parent Meeting, 12-12:30 PM
- 5 - Progressive Dinner,
6-8:30 PM, \$10
- 9 - RENEW, 9:30-10:45 AM
- 12 - Wed. Night Youth, 6-8 PM
- 16 - RENEW, 9:30-10:45 AM
- 19 - Wed. Night Youth, 6-8 PM
- 23 - RENEW, 9:30-10:45 AM
- 26 - Wed. Night Youth:
Trivia Night, 6-8 PM
- 30 - Grace and Eggs, 9-10 AM



Register for events and full details online at www.mceachernumc.org/student

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Women's Ministry Meeting

WHAT TO BRING!

- ♦ A lawn chair 
- ♦ A box of Cheerios or a pair of flip-flops to donate! 
- ♦ Your favorite cold salad to share 



RAIN PLAN: F326 @ 5 pm

For more info, please contact
Mandy Plunkett-Ramsey
mplunkett@bellsouth.net

DOBBS RESIDENCE, 3 PM

SENIOR ADULTS MINISTRY



McEachern J.O.Y. Luncheon (Just Older Youth)

Friday, August 7 ~ 11:30am ~ Lula Dobbs Hall

Bring a dish to share!

Guest Speaker: The Reverend Dr. Dana Everhart
Join us in giving our new Associate Pastor Dana
a warm welcome!



McEachern J.O.Y. is a group for men and women ages 55+ who enjoy a great lunch, Christian fellowship, and who desire to participate in occasional community mission projects. (For Christmas and Easter, we donate items to prepare gift bags for those in assisted living, nursing homes, or homebound.) We enjoy social events with a different program each month.

If you are 55+ and would like to join this exciting group and receive informational emails, contact Nancy Burkhardt at nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org or call 770.943.3008 X 5002.

CARE & COUNSELING MINISTRY



Are you hurting, grieving, stressed
or just need someone to talk with?
You do not have to go through it alone!

Is life overwhelming? Are you experiencing the loss of a loved one, a broken relationship or other life issues? Stephen ministers are here to help! A Stephen Minister walks alongside you during difficult times, offering care, support and a listening ear.

To learn more about Stephen Ministry, or if you or someone you know would benefit from one-to-one Christian caregiving, please contact one of our Stephen Ministry Leaders:

Rev. Cindy Blocksidge - cblocksidge@mceachernumc.org

Bill Hanse - billhanse0905@gmail.com

OR Nancy Burkhardt - nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org

Join our Prayer Shawl Ministry! Whether you are an experienced knitter or just want to learn how to knit or crochet, we invite you to join one of our two groups that meet weekly to knit and crochet prayer shawls for those in hospitals, in assisting living, nursing homes or homebound. The prayer shawls bring warmth and love to those who need it most. Become a part of this caring ministry to bless others!

Groups meet on THURSDAYS: 10:00 AM-Noon ~ Room F320

AND 1:00-3:00 PM ~ Room F322

For more information, please contact Nancy at nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org.



Do you like to plan events? Do you have a servant's heart?
Our Bereavement Committee needs you!

The Bereavement Committee provides and serves a meal or reception for family and friends after the funeral of a loved one. This is a very important ministry that offers Christian hospitality for a grieving family and friends.

Many volunteers are needed!!! And only serve when able and available.

If you would like to volunteer or have questions, please contact
Nancy Burkhardt, nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org, 678.567.5002.

Alcoholics Anonymous:

Meets Thursdays at 7 PM at Higher Ground

Meetings at the Care & Counseling Center:

Mondays & Thursdays at 7 AM in G-103

Tuesdays & Fridays at 8 PM in G-103

Women's Group meets Mondays
7:30 PM in Room G-101



Narcotics Anonymous:

Meets at 6:30 PM on
Sundays & Mondays
In Building E
Oaks Hall

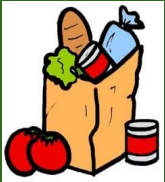


MISSIONS MINISTRY

Opportunities To Donate And Serve In Missions!

Our Missions Ministry offers many opportunities for you to not only see God at work but to also join Him and experience the blessings received from the gift of your time and effort toward a purpose greater than yourself. Discover the thrill of becoming part of something amazing that the Lord will accomplish both in you and through you! Join us in ministry!

Contact Beth Green or Julie Beem at local-outreach@mceachernumc.org.



August Food Pantry Needs:

While grocery shopping for your family, please consider adding one or more items for the Food Pantry. We will collect the items listed below through August.

Pasta Sauces (Alfredo, Marinara, Tomato / Meat Sauce)

Shampoo - Deodorant - Toothpaste - Bath Tissue - Paper Towels



Back-to-School Volunteer Opportunities!

Mark your calendars for these back to school events:

- **July 30** - Back to School Teacher Brunch/Lunch
- **August 1st** - Meet at 9 AM Prayer Walk at Compton Elementary followed by a Prayer Walk at our own MMUMC Pre-school
- **August 3rd** - First Day of School Greeters meet at 7AM at Compton Elementary

For more information or to volunteer, contact Cindy Teate At 770.355.5862 or cindyteate@gmail.com.



Community Baby Shower September 19

Bundles of Grace, our new Mission that supports moms & infants in need, will host a *Community Baby Shower* on **Saturday, September 19** in Oaks Hall. Planning is underway. If you'd like to volunteer or know of moms/families who need the support, contact **Rene Dae** at 770.403.3484 or Rene_Dae@yahoo.com.

God Blesses Your Support of Our Food Pantry & Local Outreach Projects!



Thank you for your ongoing support of our Food Pantry and Local Outreach projects!

- Together we were able to supply **>50** hygiene kits to young men at McEachern High School.
- And, so far, we have distributed **750** summer MUST lunches which totals **1500 meals!**
- With your help we supported our community's *Back2School Bash* which provided **1,000** backpacks to students in Powder Springs!



**VOLUNTEERS,
GLORIA PETERS & INA WILLIAMS
PACK MHS MEN'S HYGIENE KITS**

CONTACT US

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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM
Church Office is Closed on Fridays and for Certain Holidays

Please visit our website for the most current information.

Email: info@mceachernumc.org

Website: www.mceachernumc.org

Lead Staff and Extension Numbers:

Rev. Dr. Jessica Terrell, Senior Pastor.....X 5000
Rev. Dr. Orlando Evans, Senior Associate Pastor.....X 5005
Rev. Cindy Blocksidge, Associate Pastor.....X 5012
Rev. Dr. Dana Everhart, Associate Pastor.....X 6024
Conner Garmon, Music & Worship Director.....X 6041
Moose Mosteller, Student Ministry Director.....X 5016
Lora Parker-Gayler, Children's Ministry Director.....X 6039
Susan Koopman, Nursery Ministry Director.....X 5006
Frank Neal, Financial Manager.....X 5003
John Spain, Facilities Director.....X 6038
Denise Ribeiro, Weekday Preschool Director.....770.439.7110

Contact staff members via email using their first initial and last name followed by @mceachernumc.org.

Come Worship With Us!

Traditional Worship - 11:00 AM - Sanctuary

Sunday School / Small Groups - Children Through Adults - 9:30 AM

Note: Articles for *The Vine* are subject to approval by the appropriate ministry staff leader. Please send requests directly to the staff leader for approval **a few days before** the 10th of the month prior to your desired edition.



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