



January 19, 2024



BUT THE MIDWIVES
feared God

Exodus 1:17

New Potential Ministry Partnership on OBC Campus

We recently heard from a pastor, Ron Flowers, with a mission calling for our immediate area. He was NOT looking to merge with another church, but simply needed a little space to build, empower and release his fresh church plant (about 15-20 people) out into the darkness and hopelessness of our geographic area, most notably Monroe Middle and High Schools.

He and his wife, Sherrie, along with their 3 children, Ron Jr., Sheridan, and Carson, live in one of our newer subdivisions near the church. He has already begun to substitute teach in both schools and has launched a mentorship program at the high school.

At present, they are looking to hold services AFTER our Sunday morning worship hour and also hold a Tuesday evening service as well.

TODAY, Ron & Sherrie will join us for our morning worship hour to meet our folks and share a few minutes of the ministry and mission God has placed upon his heart in our little corner of Monroe and beyond. We welcome all comments and thoughts about this potential partnership. We will give our folks an opportunity to affirm the decision to allow this church plant to meet here a few hours a week in our facilities.



2025 Budget

We are presenting our 2025 budget TODAY at the end of the worship service. There will be an opportunity to affirm the budget on Sunday, January 26th at the end of that worship service.



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Sunday, January 19 2025

Special Focus: Treasuring Who God Treasures

Exodus 1:16-17, 22; 2:1-10

The Point: Life is a gift from God we are to protect and preserve.

The Bible Meets Life: “One man’s trash is another man’s treasure.” The origin of this quote isn’t fully known, but it was recently used by Yotam Assaf Ottolenghi, an Israeli-born chef living in Britain. He used it to explain that what some chefs believe is useless food to be thrown away is a treasure in the hands of another chef.

It could also be said that “one man’s useless, inconvenient, throw-away life is sacred and treasured by God.” We know the stories of people like Andrea Bocelli and Tim Tebow, who have accomplished much after the medical community instructed their parents to abort them. These lives are a testimony to the truth that all of life is treasured by God, whether it is the pre-born, the inconvenient, or the lonely lying on a bed in a nursing home.

Today we’re going to see what happens with a “throw-away life” when people step in with courage and compassion. We’ll see what God can do when we step in for the sake of those who can’t stand up for themselves.

Live It Out: Pray. Do you know individuals the world doesn’t value? Place them on your daily prayer list. Ask God to reveal to them how He views them. Pray God would also impress upon them that He has a plan and purpose for their lives. **Cultivate.** Spend some intentional time cultivating a relationship with a person who can do nothing for you in return. **Protect.** Seek God’s direction in how you could serve as a foster care family, a crisis pregnancy counselor, or as a volunteer in a nursing home ministry.

Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

The Heart of Worship

Sunday, January 26 The Inspiration for Worship
(Psalm 25:4-15)

Sunday, February 2 The Attitude in Worship
(Psalm 40:1-11)

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Opportunities for Ministry & Service

Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Indoor Worship

10:00 AM Online Worship

Wednesday

6:30 PM Online Worship

6:30 PM Youth

Thursday

Jail Ministry

Service Attendance

Sunday, January 12

Indoor: 41

Online: 92



Wednesday, January 15

Online: 37

Youth: 11

Monthly Budget & Offerings

Budget Needs:

\$17,571.84

January Offering

To Date:

\$5,105.00



Lottie Moon

Christmas Offering

2024 Goal: \$2,000.00

Received

to Date:

\$2,600.00

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Prayer Requests

Candy Anderson

Gary Clontz

Marlene Crider

Lela Crump

Peggy Dean

John Efird

Cindy French

Sam & Wanda Goodwin

Ray Greene

Rodney Johnson

Zack Little (MMS Counselor)

Richard Lovingood

Pam Majewski

Lorraine McClellan

Debbie McKnight

Richie Raines

Carolyn Street

David Welch (Irene’s Son)



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