

Mattoon Christian Church

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Services:

Sunday School—9:30 AM
Worship Service—10:30 AM

Bible Studies:

Sunday Evening - 6:00 PM Wednesday Evening - 6:30 PM

Youth Group:

Monday Evenings 6:30-8:00 PM

Classes Groups:

Ages 3 to 7

Ages 8-12

Ages 13 and Up
Need a ride to Youth Group?
Call, Denise at 217-317-1577

Teen Bible Study:

Wednedays at 6:30 PM

Teen Drama Team:

Sundays at 6 PM

Senior Pastor/Elder: Tom Cox Youth Pastor/Elder: Ken King Elder: Quinton Webb Treasurer: Marla Carnes

It's not about us
It's about God

Mattoon Christian Church Purpose Statement:

"To win the lost to Christ and to keep building them up in the faith, equipping them for every good work."

The Mattoon Christian Church Outlook

THE LEADERSHIP CORNER The Heart of All in Leadership at MCC

There is no letter "I" in the word team! It is not about Quinton, it is not about Pastor Jim, it is not about Pastor Ken, it is not about Pastor Tom, it is all about God working through all of us as a team. The team concept dates back to the beginning of time as Almighty God worked and still works through the team of Trinity. They all have different functions that bring about one purpose. That my friend's is the best definition we will find for the word team. Let me give you that definition for team one more time "We all have different functions that brings about one purpose." We have seen that concept of "Team Work" or "Team Ministry" performed right here at Mattoon Christian Church as we work together as a team toward God's purpose. The plain and simple truth is we need one another and our blessed to have each other. The Ministry Team would not be near as strong with out having Pastor Jim or Pastor Ken or Pastor Tom. The Leadership Team would not be as strong if we did not have Quinton or Marla or our interns and the church would not be near as strong if it were not for every person God brings through the doors. I.E. We all need each other to fulfill the purposes of God right here at MCC. The leadership team is so excited about how God is using all of us as we are fulfilling God's purpose for our Church.

Another great month of recruiting! Through the month of August we had over fifty plus visitors and through the month of September once again we had over fifty plus visitors again. All thanks goes to God for working through the whole team at MCC by inviting others to come to church. Inviting others to church is one function that we all need to be used by God if we want to fulfill God's purpose for our church. Praise God that every Sunday for the month of September we were able to baptize more people into Christ, which brings are number to thirty-two and counting for the year.

"The Youth, The Youth, The Youth are on Fire for God!" The Youth Group is exploding in so many ways! The Youth Group Wednesday night Bible Study has been packed for the last month and continues to grow. 99% of our Bible study students come in and say, "We did our Bible reading this week and we have questions." We had one new person to our youth group say, "This is the greatest church I love this church." (Praise

God) The youth group is also growing in numbers as we have had many new people join our youth group lately. Here is what makes our youth group so special is there are no "clicks". Everyone hangs out together and they accept each other as they spend time together inside the church and outside the church. The youth group put together a team to remodeled two rooms up stairs for a community center to invite others to come and fellowship together. There are various games and a place for prayer and testimonies to God.

The worship continues to grow mightily as we had a powerful time of worship last Sunday. All the leadership team can say is "WOW" "look what God has done!" We



Tom Cox, Pastor

just want to thank God for the opportunity to fast and pray together as the leadership team has committed to fasting and praying every Saturday. Please pray for us as we fast and pray it is a great way to experience more from God and anyone who would like to join us is certainly welcome to fast and pray with us. We also have some great opportunities for all of us to draw closer to God through Southern Gospel music. We have two different groups coming this month to worship God with us. We are so excited about what God is doing in our midst. Once again we invite you all to come out and get caught up in the excitement at Mattoon Christian Church.

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Three Great Concerts Coming to MCC!

Saturday, October 11th, 7 PM, Royal City, of Florida



"The Boys"





 $\it ``The\ Family"$

Saturday, October 25th, 7 PM, Crimson Cross, Paris, IL

CRIMSON CROSS QUARTET



Saturday, December 6th 7 PM Saul2Paul
of Jackson, Tennessee



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October Birthdays

10/1	Kent Coffman	
10/3	Cesely Gingerich	
10/5	Denise King	
10/23	Louise Shook	
10/27	Lee Coffman	

Pardon our Dust

Update on the furnace work:

Almost done! All new gas furnaces are in place, ductwork completed, and registers installed. Only a little bit left to complete the work and move the last electric furnace out of the sanctuary. Be sure to thank the King's: Ron, Ken and Christian for their work, as well as their buddy Don Redfern, who also has given much of his free time to install these furnaces.

Once done, we are all ready to add central air, when we can. Won't it be nice not to hear all that noise during our time of worship?

Welcome New Members to MCC

Four more baptisms in September. Please welcome Rachel, Amanda, Austin, and Stephanie to the Lord's family.

Each of these young people are heavily involved in the youth group on Monday's, the Wednesday night Teen Bible Study and the Sunday morning Sunday school and worship service.

Please pray for all our new members in Christ's family.

"Don & Mary Pankey Benefit"
October 10, 2008 5-9 p.m.
First Christian Church
411 Jackson
Charleston, IL 61920

A spaghetti dinner benefit for Mary Pankey will be served from 5 until 6:30 p.m., followed by an evening of gospel music.

Donation will be accepted at the food line and all donations will go to benefit the Pankeys.

The groups "Power of Praise" from Atwood, IL and "Touched by Grace" from Charleston will provide an evening of southern gospel, traditional and contemporary music through out the remainder of the evening.

October Notes & News

Sunday, October 12th

Board Meeting at 1:00 PM

Saturday, October 11th

Royal City Family Concert 7 PM

A free-will offering will be taken for the Royal City Family. You won't want to miss this wonderful family singing group.

Sunday, October 19th

Spaghetti Dinner — right after worship service. This fundraiser is sponsored by our youth to help pay for saul2paul musical group to be in our church on December 6th! \$5.00 for all you can eat — spaghetti, salad, breadsticks and dessert! Come and support our youth's efforts — it's all happening — right here at MCC!

Saturday, October 25th

Crimson Cross Quartet @ 7 PM

Out of Paris, Il and singing a wonderful blend of southern gospel, contemporary and little "boogie woogie'. A great concert for a fall evening. Plan on attending, mark your calendar

Prayer Requests:

Thelma Easter (broken ankle), Geraldine Fuesting (possible surgery—Oct), Mary Pankey, Scott Doty, June Walker, Erma Stevenson; Joe Henne (son to Louise Shook); Joe Gheradini; Reva Groth (new Christian); Cara Schwarz, Jennifer Bower (friends of Geraldine Fuesting); Mattoon Christian Church, your pastors, leaders and brothers and sisters in Christ.

Week	Children's Church	M.C. Service	Worship Leader	Preaching
10/5	Upstairs	Quinton Webb	Gina Cox	Pastor Tom
10/12		Ken King	Jim French	Quinton Webb
9/21	KenKing	Quinton Webb	Gina Cox	Pastor Tom
9/28	Doug Webb	Jim French	Joy King	Pastor Ken

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Youth Group News

Hello Spaghetti Dinner — October 19th!

During the month of September the youth planned a fundraiser to help bring in money to support the December saul2paul concert.





Spaghetti will be served immediately after worship service on <u>Sunday, October 19th</u>. Cost is \$5 per person for all you can eat. Please support our youth as they strive to serve the Lord

saul2paul, is a musical group based out of Jackson, Tennessee, exists to exalt the

Lord, Jesus Christ through music and by his word. saul2paul leads worship through a modern rock sound. Because of their musical versatility, saul2paul has been able to minister to small congregations as well as large youth events. Saul2paul is a contemporary Christian band. With a sound that goes from rock to modern praise and worship.



The youth heard this band at the Godstock Concert last month. After meeting and talking with the members, saul2paul offered to come to MCC and put on a concert AND a youth rally! Get ready MCC! This is a great opportunity for us to share the Lord through music and word with our community.

Youth Snack Notes

Here we GROW again — please make treats for <u>60</u> people.

People to bring snack for the month of October are:

10/6 Cesely Gingerich

10/13 Tom & Gina Cox

10/20 Nancy Webb

10/27 Geraldine Fuesting

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