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MSBC NEWS

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Soli Deo Gloria

From The Pastor...

will return next month in September. Feel free to read past letters here: www.msbcnews.org/pastors-page.

Sabbatical Update...

To all the saints at Market Street
Grace and peace to you from God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Greetings from Israel!

Thank you once again for all your love and prayers for us and our family over the last four weeks. We are now officially half way through our sabbatical and it has been time well spent.

We just finished a six day whirlwind tour of Israel, beginning in Galilee and finishing up in Jerusalem. It was a fascinating time and having now seen these places first hand, we are happy to report that it is all true! All that the Scriptures teach is true and so much has been confirmed by history and archaeology.

But the events are not all that is true. Christ's teachings are true as well. For Jesus did not promise to be in Jerusalem or Galilee, but wherever 2 or 3 are gathered in His name.

Though we were able to see the remains of the synagogues where Jesus taught and step foot in the Jordan River where Jesus was baptized and walk through the Garden of Gethsemane and see where he died and was buried and even where He ascended to heaven, at no time did we experience anywhere near the grace and blessings of God as we do when we are worshipping Our Father with you...our true and eternal family in Christ!

We are now flying off to Greece for the next week, where we plan to rest and relax by the cliffs of Santorini and the beaches of Paros before heading to Athens for a few more sightseeing tours.

May God bless and keep you. We love you all, and God willing, we will see you very soon!

Love Michael & Christine



Grover Cleveland Pillsbury Jr. February 2, 1942 - July 12, 2019

Chester, SC – On Friday, July 12, 2019 Grover passed into the arms of his Lord and Savior while surrounded by his wife and children. He leaves Sylvia (Lamb), his loving wife of 59 years and five children: Grover, William, Ann, Heather and Amanda as well as 14 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren. He worked at Raytheon as an engineer for 44 years before retiring to travel with Sylvia.

Always ready for an adventure. When at home Grover could often be found at his computer studying the Bible, writing, reading, planning trips. Services were held at the Olivet Presbyterian Church.



Laura Rose (Lemoine) Lowd July 4, 1922 - July 14, 2019

Laura died peacefully at the Dodge Park Rest Home in Worcester. She was born in Amesbury living there until 2013 when she moved to Holden to be closer to family.

Laura was predeceased by her husband of 43 years, Ralph Lowd in 1985. She will be lovingly remembered by her son, Ralph Lowd, her daughter, Dianne (Charles) Noyes, six grandchildren & six great-grandchildren; as well as many nieces and nephews. She was also predeceased by seven siblings, Joseph, Philip, Louise, Arthur, Eva, Pauline, and Albert, and a daughter Linda Lowd.

Laura was an active member of the Market Street Baptist Church where she was baptized in 1956. She particularly enjoyed her role in the church's Women's Guild & Wanona Club. She was a Girl Scout leader for many years where she helped many girls learn valuable skills and life lessons that would have a positive impact on their lives. She was known for her many homemaking skills including sewing the family cloths, making wedding cakes, knitting sweaters for the newborns and making crafts to sell at the church fair.

A memorial service honoring and celebrating Laura's life will be held at a time and date to be determined. Miles Funeral Home, 1158 Main St., Holden, is assisting the family with arrangements. To share a memory or offer a condolence visit www.milesfuneralhome.com.



Tim Regis is with the Lord...

It is with sadness that I say that Tim Regis passed after a long illness Sunday, July 21 and that we have lost a great brother in Christ at this church.

But it is with great gladness that we know he is with the Lord. Please pray for the Regis & Ahlstrom families as they grieve the loss of Tim the husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle.

A service will be held August 24 – more details to come.

Meetings/Gatherings/Groups

CHURCH COOKOUTS...

August 18: At Dave & Deb

September 1: At Frankie & John

September 8: OPEN - CONTACT CHURCH OFFICE IF YOU CAN HOST





Tuesday Prayer Group will meet on August 20 & 27 and September 17 & 24 Held in church library from 11:30 am -1:00 pm. All are welcome.

Women's Bible Study Wednesday's 11:00-12:30. We are reading through the book of Acts until Pastor returns.



Deacons meet Sundays, August 25 and September 15 at noon in church office.



THANK YOU!



Kid's Day at the Park 2019

The Market Street Baptist, The Rock, All Saints and Holy Family Churches of Amesbury participated in Amesbury Days' "Kids' Day at the Park" on June 27.

In addition the Living Hope Community Church of Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada Living Hope Community Church of Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada: Pastor Ian MacFarlane & wife, Joy & their children, Nerida & William along with Brenda Judge and John & Rose Woolman and Alicia Whidden who spent the week with us were among the volunteers.

This church with the joint effort of other churches has have been running "The Kid's Kingdom" at this event for many years offering the Bouncy-house and Obstacle-course inflatables and games along with free sno-kones & popcorn. Our goal is to provide a safe and fun environment for families to enjoy the day together at no cost to them or the City. It was a great day to share the Gospel!

Thank You to the adult and teen volunteers from the five churches and to all who helped in any way, big or small, with finances, time, set-up & pack-up and everything in between. To Vermette's Supermarket, Pond Street, Amesbury for donating enough ice for over 800 snokones and the Amesbury Recreation's Director, Kathleen Crowley. "The Block Party" trailer that contains all the equipment needed is rented from the Massachusetts Baptist Association.

We are thankful for this opportunity to give to the community and for those who support our needs to provide this event.

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PRAYER CORNER...

Please contact church office to have your request and/or results printed in the newsletter at 978-388-0930 or email msbcsec@verizon.net.

Sudan Interior Mission (SIM)

Note from Michelle Barlow dated June 6, 2019

"Bonjour mes amis, Greetings from Quebec! I hope that you are doing well. Everything is going well here. The French is coming along slowly but surely and I've been enjoying meeting the other missionaries, being a part of the local church and sharing my testimony. God has certainly been using this time to help me grow and teach me a lot about Himself and myself. Goal is still to formally move to Niger to start work at Galmi Hospital in January 2020.

Thank you so much for your prayers and generous support as you come along on this journey with me – it has been such a blessing."

Michelle was also able to join to us at worship Sunday, July 14 and we were able to send her on her way with a pocket full of encouragement cards.

We collected \$391.36 for her through SIM.

Michelle.barlow@sim.org



Birthdays In August



Please send newsletter articles to our Communications Assist, Dorothy at her special address: msbccom37@gmail.com

The deadline for the September newsletter items is Tuesday, August 20, 2019.

FINANCIAL UPDATES...



Offerings 2019 June \$16,121 YTD \$90,827

MemberCare 2019 June \$527 YTD \$4,403

Fund to help members in need - collected on the 1st Sunday of the month.

Building Fund 2019 June \$1,345 YTD \$4,179

Payments are \$1,339.22 per month on the 20-year loan taken in 2015 to fix steeple & renovate sanctuary \$250,000

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Sunday's at 10:00 - 11:30 am

Cable TV:

ActTV12

Thursdays 4:30 pm & Fridays 9:00 am

Haverhill 22

Sundays at 7:30 am & 5:00 pm

PortMedia 10

Thursdays 4:30 - 6:00pm

Radio:

WSEW 88.7 FM - Sundays 9:00 am "Unchanging Grace" www.wordradio.net

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Friday 11:00 am - 2:00 pm