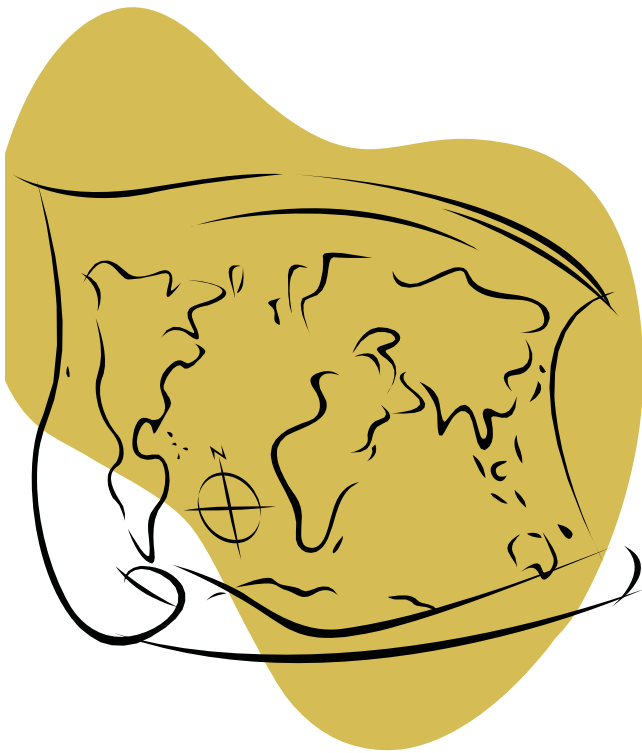


Madison Christian Church

# Messenger

**March 4, 2010**



## The Amazing Survivor Factor

**Who:** Ages 15 and Up  
**What:** Games based on the Amazing Race, Survivor, and Fear Factor  
**When:** Saturday, March 27, 9:00 am  
**Where:** Madison Christian Church  
**Why:** All money going to the "Zimbabwe Mission Trip"  
**How much:** \$ 5.00 per person  
 We will be serving breakfast and lunch. We will also have baked goods for sale.

### Sunday Events

Worship Services.....9:00/10:30 am  
 Adult Bible Fellowship.....9:00/10:30 am  
 "Hour of Power" Prayer Time.....6:00 pm  
 High School Youth Group.....6:00pm

### Wednesday Events

Evening Dinner.....5:30 pm  
 "KidCity" (2yrs.-6th grade).....6:30 pm  
 Jr. High Youth Group.....6:30 pm  
 Adult "Disciple U" Classes.....6:30 pm  
 (Programs run September through April)

## Paul's Perspective

Let's talk strategy for a moment. Our mission is to "reach people for Christ and help believers grow to be more like him." One of the things we need to do in order to reach people is to find ways to open the doors of the church to those who do not presently attend. Let me tell you about a few of our recent attempts.

We are currently offering two classes on Wednesday evening, "Divorce Care," and "Financial Peace University." Among those in attendance in both of those classes are people who do not attend Madison Christian Church. Some of them join us for Wednesday night dinner, and we are confident that some of them will ultimately make Madison their church home.

The Men's Ministry recently sponsored a Valentine Dinner. (They teamed with Super Suppers and it was fantastic!) Even more exciting than the great food and fellowship was the fact that this dinner was attended by a number of couples who are not part of Madison. Folks invited their friends and neighbors, and they accepted the invitation!

The Women's Ministry had their "Girlfriend's Day and Style Show" on Saturday, February 27. These ladies battled some pretty nasty weather in order to have a great day. The ladies who organized the event were greatly pleased by the fact that this event was attended by ladies who do not attend this church. It was a wonderful opportunity to reach out to them with the love of Christ.

As you know, we have a concert coming up on Sunday evening, March 21, by Natalie Grant. Matt Archibald tells us that statistically, many who attend Christian concerts do not have a church home. This will be another great time of outreach.

We want Easter Sunday to be a wonderful time of worship of our living Lord. We also want it to be a great day of OUTREACH and EVANGELISM. Please start thinking right now about who **YOU** are inviting for April 4, and pray for an opportunity to make the invitation.

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## Music and Worship



### A Minute With Matt

*NATALIE GRANT Concert is quickly approaching! With Special guests: Phil Stacey and Britt Nicole Sunday evening, March 21, at 6 pm*

Thanks to all who have volunteered to help in our Concert ministry. The email list of concert volunteer assignments is out, and the calls have been made to all volunteers. Watch for future emails soon for times of training. It is essential that you be at the short training sessions so that our entire concert volunteer staff is all on the same page. More than 80 folks have signed up to help with concerts. Approximately 48 volunteers are needed to help with the first concert. I have put everyone who has volunteered so far on a rotation list, so that we can assign each person to be able to help with concerts throughout the year. We are already working on the next two concerts to come!

Palm Sunday is March 28, Good Friday is April 2, and Easter Sunday is April 4. Our special **GOOD FRIDAY** service will be at 6 pm on Friday, April 2, in the Worship center. In this service we'll offer a wonderful time of intimate worship, celebrate communion together, and share in a time of brief devotion and scripture to the Lord. These are some wonderful days of celebration all over the world. I like this season because, no matter what religion or belief people adhere to (even Unbelief!), Christianity seems to receive a lot of TV and radio time as Easter approaches. And of course, we all anticipate Spring. My dad called me last Monday, March 1, and asked what type of tomato seeds I would like for him to start in his seed trays.....so as far as I am concerned..... **SPRING** has begun!

Many thanks to our faithful tech staff, the greeting ministry, those who faithfully serve and prepare communion on a weekly basis, and of course, to all of our instrumentalists and singers. Your ministry is much appreciated as you "lay up your treasures in heaven!"

*Matt Archibald, Minister of Music and Worship  
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## MCC Children's Ministry

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 15-18. The theme for this year is "Pair Of Bulls" and we will be talking about parables. We are currently in need of people to help out with scenery. If you like to paint scenery, please see Jason today!

Also, if you would like to help out with VBS in another capacity, please sign-up with Jason.



### CAMP

This is just a reminder that **April 18** is the registration deadline to sign-up for camp through the church.

Registration forms can be found in the Worship Center or the Children's Center.

When you sign-up, you have to do it through the Church.

If you sign-up directly with the camp, we can't offer you the half price discount. So please make sure you sign-up through Madison today. Also, there is an informational letter that identifies all the camp dates that Madison is participating in this summer. So if you are wondering what weeks we are going to and providing transportation for, please pick up one of those letters today at the Welcome Center in the Worship Center Foyer.



## SuperStart!

If you are going to SuperStart and haven't turned in your medical release forms to Jason, please do so soon. Remember, you can't participate in this event unless you have those papers filled out and turned in to Jason before we leave for SuperStart!

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## MCC Youth Ministry

### OHIO TEENS FOR CHRIST

This year's OTFC is April 2nd-3rd and the theme this year is "Distracted." OTFC this year looks stacked with comedian Tim Jones, Rob Shoaff from Hillsboro Church of Christ preaching, the Matt Brent Band leading worship, and a concert from Christian rock band "The Fold". Registration of \$45 is due by March 29th. Contact Justin for more info.

### CIY DATES

For CIY MOVE this summer we will be going to Lee University in Cleveland, TN. The dates are July 12th-16th. Make sure to save these dates for what should be a life changing week!

### CAMP DATES

Save these dates for camp this summer-  
Senior High Camp- June 13th-18th  
Junior High Camp- August 8th-13th

### GRADUATION SUNDAY

We will be honoring our students who are graduating from High School, College, or any Graduate studies on May 23rd. If you are anticipating graduating at the end of this school term please contact the church office to let them know. Please include your name, school you will be graduating from, and future plans.

### SPONSOR MEETING

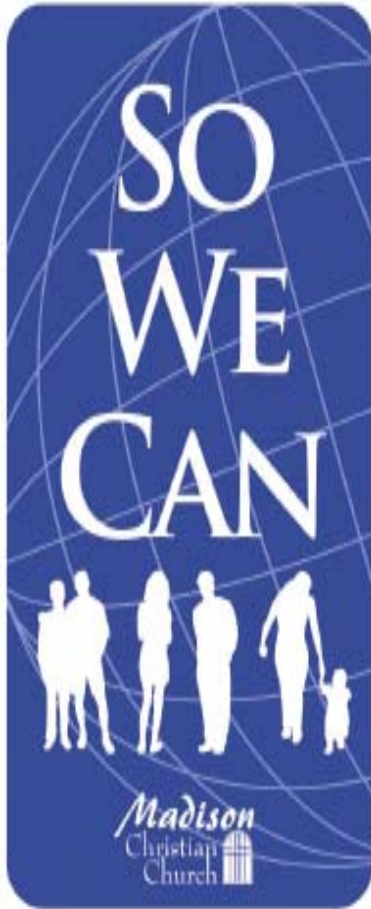
The next meeting for Youth Ministry volunteers is on Sunday, March 28th. We will be meeting in the office conference room after second service. If you are interested in volunteering in the Youth Ministry at Madison please consider attending!



*The Refuge at Madison Christian Church;  
Getting Together and Growing Deeper...*

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# “So We Can” Updates



**Goal \$ 750,000**  
**Total Pledges**  
**\$ 464,216.00**

**Total Giving Received**  
**as of 2/28, 2010**  
**\$420,365.92**



Our next Blood drive will be on March 22, 1:00 - 7:00 pm. Please call the Church office at 491-232 to make an appointment, or call **1-800 GIVE LIFE.**

## In Sympathy

Please keep the Leroy Sexten Family in your prayers. Leroy went to be with the Lord on Friday, February 19, 2010.



**SENIOR ADULTS**



Our next potluck luncheon is on March 18, 2010 at 12:30 pm in the Fireside Room. Let's all be **“IRISH”** and wear something green. Invite someone to come with you. Tom Brisker will be presenting a program on eagles, which will help us to appreciate both the biblical significance of the eagle and how fortunate we are to have a nest adjacent to the church property.



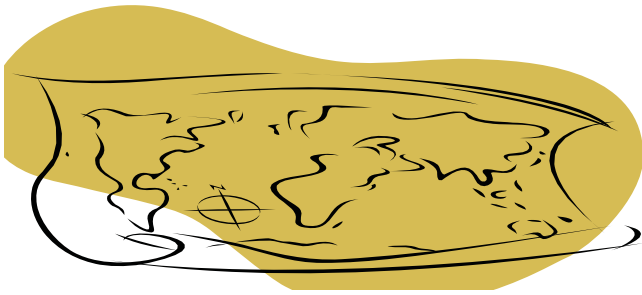
Congratulations to Joe and Gretchen Price on the birth of a son born on February 19, 2010. Kai Alexander weighed 9 pounds and 14 ounces, and was 21 inches long. The proud grandparents are Bob and Kathy Khun.

### Newsletter Deadline

The next Messenger will be published on March 18, 2010. Please have all articles to the church office by March 15, 2010. The Messenger will be available at the Welcome Center on Sunday, March 7, or you can view it on the web at [www.madisonchristian.org](http://www.madisonchristian.org).

### Newsletter Subscription

If your e-mail address has changed make sure to unsubscribe your old address and subscribe with your new address. Go to our home page and select the “Newsletter” option on the menu then choose “subscribe” to make your changes.



### MISSION TRIP

On the 2nd Thursday of each month, from 2:00-9:00 pm, the Grove City Waffle House will be giving our mission trip a portion of your bill. You will need to mention to your server, that you are from Madison Christian Church. The dates are March 11, April 8, May 13 and June 10.

*God, thank you for the many blessings you have bestowed upon me.*

*Teach me now the joy of sharing these blessings with others.*

*And, Lord, though you have already given me so many things, please grant me yet one more--*



Amen

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### JOB OPPORTUNITY

Madison Christian Church is hiring for the position of Administrator. Those interested in obtaining the Position Description should e-mail Paul Barnes at [pbarnes@madisonchristian.org](mailto:pbarnes@madisonchristian.org). Resumes of interested persons will be accepted at that e-mail address **until** Wednesday, March 10, 2010.



Your registration **MUST** be in by April 18, if you want the church to pay half for you to be able to go to camp,



On Saturday night, March 12, before you go to bed, **don't** forget to move your clocks forward.

February 21, 2010	Attendance	February 28, 2010	Attendance
	Morning Worship 555		Morning Worship 503
	ABF/Sunday School 101		ABF/Sunday School 100
	2010 Decisions 9		2010 Decisions 9
	Sunday Sr. High Youth Group 23		Sunday Sr. High Youth Group 23
	Wednesday Night Activities 209		Wednesday Night Activities 218
	Sunday Morning Stewardship \$12,779.45		Sunday Morning Stewardship \$13,907.25
	"So We Can..." Giving \$1,115.00		"So We Can..." Giving \$1,371.00

# Madison Christian School

*The Madison Journal*

## OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR 2010-2011

March begins our open enrollment for new students in P-12.

If you would like to schedule a tour or half day visit for your prospective student, please call 497-3456 (P-6) or 491-3310 (7-12).



### Please follow this enrollment process:

- Submit an application form and fee.
- Prospective K-12 students will be screened and tested for the appropriate placement. The testing fee is due prior to testing.
- Provide a copy of the student's:
  - \* Birth certificate
  - \* Immunization Record
  - \* Transcript (grades 9-12) or
  - \* Most recent grade card (grades K-8)
  - \* Recent photo
- Records from any previous school attended are necessary for official acceptance.
- Registration fee is due upon the receipt of registration packet.

### ACSI SPEECH MEET AT CYPRESS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

On Saturday, March 13, thirty-three students in grades 3-6 will represent MCS at the annual ACSI Speech Meet hosted in Galloway. This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to practice public speaking in front of judges and a friendly audience of encouragers.



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