

Cookout Memories



I love the aroma of hotdogs and hamburgers cooked on the grill. That is what was on the menu for the recent church cookout and they were delicious. But, the best part was seeing friends, meeting new friends and enjoying the smiling faces of young and old. It was a great night of sharing with Christian friends, seeing God's love in action, and enjoying a swift walk in and unexpected rain shower. The rain did not dampen our spirit of being together at all. It was so much fun and I thoroughly enjoyed it.

-Emma Laura
Patrick

(Ministry for Adults 55+)

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"Come Home!" Fellowship Activities to Foster Relationships

by Kely Hatley



July 23

MBBC "Drive-in Movie Night"

Lower parking lot, Overbrook Road

7 PM (time correction from June's issue)

Free but concessions will be sold

Come and enjoy a great movie outside in our church parking lot. What better way to enjoy a summer evening than to sit with your friends and enjoy a wholesome movie and that all ages can enjoy. Of course we'll have popcorn, drinks, and some candy for sale, but definitely NOT at movie theater prices! Movie will be TBA.



August 15

End of Summer Social

Lower parking lot, Overbrook Road

4-6 PM

We are bringing back an event that we haven't had the past several years. Water slides, cooking out, laughter and fun await all who attend as we officially close down the summer just in time for schools to open. This event has always been a favorite of so many of our members. Come and enjoy watching the kids splash and play while enjoying good food and conversation with prospects and members alike.

ACTIVE Christian Living Breakfasts



Thursday, July 8, 2021

Keeping Yourself Safe from SCAMS Targeting Older Adults

Breakfast 9 a.m.

Cost \$10

The Tent Behind The Missionary White House

Reservations are open now!

Have you ever received a notice of something you won in the mail that just seemed too good to be true? Has someone ever called your cell phone or home phone pretending to be from Social Security or perhaps from the IRS telling you that something is terribly wrong with your information? What about someone coming to your door posing as someone else looking all official? How do we know if we are being targeted in a scam to trick us into giving our money away?

Officer George French, Public Information and Community Relations Officer of the Mountain Brook Police Department, will be joining us in our first ever breakfast meeting to talk with us about the latest scams targeting older adults which we should all be aware of in order not to fall victim to them. Come and enjoy a hot breakfast while learning about something that can keep you safe and aware in the days ahead. Join your friends under the white tent at 9 a.m. We'll have coffee, OJ and milk while you wait on your catered breakfast from Evelyn's Souther Fare in English Village.



Thursday, August 5, 2021

Serghei Tanas, Violinist

Breakfast 9 a.m.

Cost \$10

The Tent Behind The Missionary White House

Reservations will open July 19!

Serghei Tanas was born in Kishnev, Moldova Republic. At the age of seven, he attended the musical school for talented children in the same city. He graduated in 1985 and entered the State Conservatory of Moldova Republic. Serghei studied violin with Russian teachers, including Nicolai Opritza.

During studies at the Conservatory, Serghei auditioned for the Philharmonic State Chamber Orchestra and he became a member of the group in 1986. After his graduation in 1992, Mr. Tanas won a Concertmaster position, playing solo on various programs and most of the baroque style repertory. The Philharmonic State Chamber Orchestra exhibited its potential during numerous tours in Europe, Israel and the United States.

In 1995 Serghei joined the George Enescu Philharmonic in Bucharest, Rumania. He moved to Spain in 1996 where he worked with the Orquesta Sinfonica de La Coruna in Galicia. Mr. Tana soon moved to the United States and started playing in the New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware area. During this time he took private lessons with Dmitry Levin, a member of the Philadelphia Orchestra since 1984, to whom he is very thankful for the knowledge and orchestral experience he acquired. Serghei joined the Alabama Symphony Orchestra in 1998.

Breakfast will be catered by Evelyn's Southern Fare in English Village.

Mission Article:

ACTIVE Christian Living Ministry Seeks To Pour Out God's Love Instead of Soaking It Up

by Kely Hatley



**Tuesday, August 17th
Meet at the Church
8:30 AM**



On June 13, we had the opportunity to hear from Brandy Suns, Community Engagement Coordinator, from the Foundry Ministries. While listening to her in the service, I was inspired to think how our mature 55+ adults of MBBC might engage in hands on mission ministry to our community. Our church is financially blessed, and we give generously to our various mission partners to help carry the love of Christ and the gospel's good news to those in need, but a personal involvement in doing this mission is a reward that cannot be captured in sole financial giving. Sometimes it takes a "skin in the game" effort to help us realize how much the world needs Christ and how much our involvement in helping others opens our eyes to the needs of the larger city around us.

Don't get me wrong. I am not saying that our members are not involved in mission work. I know full well that we have Sunday Morning Bible Study groups that have adopted mission projects, or that we have members who serve with Habitat for Humanity, or even that we have several members who cook food and serve it to various organizations who help those down and out in our city. Those projects certainly are missions at work, but I believe it would be such a thrilling step for our ACTIVE Christian Living Ministry to be an official mission extension arm from our church to the communities surrounding us.

My vision for our ACTIVE Christian Living Ministry is to strive for at least one hands-on mission project per quarter. I want our ministry to become less like a sponge that soaks up God's love and more like a pitcher that pours out God's love on those around us. I think that in doing work for the Lord together in ministry we will light a fire in our hearts that will translate into telling others about the love of Christ not only with our words but also through our actions. I love this church, and I love its commitment to missions. It is my hope and desire that our ACTIVE Christian Living Ministry will find creative ways (which are appropriate for our age range) to give of ourselves and not just our resources to show Christ's love to the people around us. If you are interested in helping me to discover and search our mission projects for us to schedule each quarter, just email or phone me. kely@mbbc.org or 205-803-3458(desk).

³⁷ "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?' ³⁸ When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you?' ³⁹ When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' ⁴⁰ The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'" Matthew 25:37-40 NIV



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ACTIVITY SCALE

Level	Definition
	Easy: minimal walking
	Moderate: walk up to a mile
	Active: walk as much as two miles
	Challenging: spend most of the day on the go

Calendar At A Glance

- **ACTIVE July Breakfast** - Thursday, July 8, The Tent Behind White House, 9 a.m. Officer George French, MBPD, \$10 per person (non-refundable)
- **MBBC “Drive-in Movie Night”** - Friday, July 23, Lower parking lot, Overbrook Road, 8 p.m. Free (concessions will be sold)
- **ACTIVE August Breakfast** - Thursday, August 5, The Tent Behind White House, 9 a.m. Serghei Tanas, Violinist, \$10 per person (non-refundable)
- **End of Summer Social** - Sunday, August 15, Lower parking lot, Overbrook Road, 4-6 p.m.