

## NEW TO BIBLE CENTER?

### Welcome!

After services, see Jane Jackson-Fowler at the Connect Table beside the fireplace if you have questions.



### We'd Love to Pray With You!

Men and women are available in the prayer room, located on the back right of the Worship Center, for anyone wanting prayer or counsel at the end of services.

### Get Event Details: The Bible Center App

Download our app and tap on **Media & Resources** or **Events & Sign-Up**.

### Get Updates with the Weekly Newsletter

Enter your email at the bottom of our website, [BibleCenterChurch.com](http://BibleCenterChurch.com).

#### WORSHIP

#### 9 & 11 AM

- Multigenerational Service (9 AM)
- Modern Service (11 AM)
- Kids (Birth-5th Grade, Level 1)
- Special Needs Ministry (The Lodge, Level 1)

#### BELONG

#### Find your fit in a group!

For prayer, study, or just doing life together.  
[BibleCenterChurch.com/groups](http://BibleCenterChurch.com/groups)

#### SERVE

#### Find your fit on a volunteer team!

Opportunities for people of all ages to make an impact for eternity!  
[BibleCenterChurch.com/serve](http://BibleCenterChurch.com/serve)

### Sunday Student Gatherings

- Middle School – 9 & 11 AM, Room 1105
- High School (meet to serve) – 9-10 AM, Room 2104
- High School (hangout) – 10-11 AM, Room 2104
- See all weekly gatherings: [BibleCenterChurch.com/students](http://BibleCenterChurch.com/students)

## WAYS TO GIVE

- Text **BCCWV** to 77977
- Mail it
- On the BCC app
- Offering Basket
- Online
- Boxes beside the fireplace

# Why Celebrate Mother's Day?

## GENESIS 1-3

Pastor Matt Friend — May 12, 2019

*Because it reminds us that...*

1. Motherhood was God's idea. (*Genesis 1:26-28; 2:18-25; Matthew 19:4-6*)
2. There's no such thing as a perfect mom. (*Genesis 3:1-13, 16; Luke 1:46-47*)
3. Moms are indispensable to God's plan of salvation. (*Genesis 3:15; 4:1, 25; Galatians 4:4-5*)
4. God is pleased when we honor the moms in our life. (*Genesis 3:20; John 19:25-27*)

### THIS WEEK'S RECOMMENDATION

*Missional Motherhood: The Everyday Ministry of Motherhood in the Grand Plan of God*  
by Gloria Furman



# Why



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*Glorifying God by producing more maturing followers of Jesus*

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Dear Friends,

Welcome to church! We're thrilled to have you with us, especially on this Mother's Day.

Like the Golden Delicious apple, or the Strawberry Festival, or the Vandalia Gathering... Mother's Day is intertwined with our West Virginia heritage. The holiday was unofficially celebrated in the early 1900s in Grafton, WV when Anna Jarvis held a special service to honor her mother who had cared for wounded soldiers on both sides of the Civil War.

Congress originally rejected the proposal to make Mother's Day an official holiday, joking they would then be forced to create a "Mother-In-Law's Day." However, Ms. Jarvis wasn't amused by their poor humor. Her persistence eventually persuaded President Woodrow Wilson to declare it a national holiday in 1914, making it the third-largest card-sending holiday in the U.S.

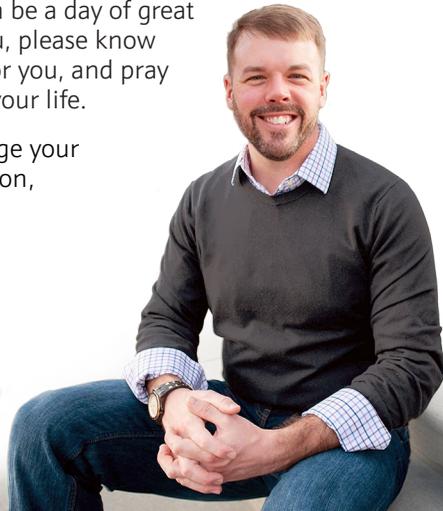
On behalf of our pastors and staff, please know that we love, appreciate, and are praying for you. For many, this weekend is a time when we visit our moms and bring their favorite flower. If you're a mom, please pick up your special gift from one of the tables as you exit.

For others, Mother's Day can be a day of great sadness or grief. If this is you, please know that we love you, are here for you, and pray for God's soothing grace in your life.

May today's service encourage your heart and answer the question, *Why Mother's Day?*

Sincerely,

*Pastor Matt*



Matt Friend, Senior Pastor

## Event Registration

- Go to [BibleCenterChurch.com/register](http://BibleCenterChurch.com/register)
- Call (304) 346-0431
- Use the Bible Center app. Download it now for free!



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# BELONG: MEMBERSHIP Weekend



Friday  
**May 17**  
6:30-8:30 PM

&

Saturday  
**May 18**  
8:30 AM-1 PM



Want to know more about BCC and what we believe, meet the Ministry Staff, or become a member? Then you're invited! And at the conclusion, there will be no pressure to join. Because child care and Saturday's meals are provided, registration is preferred. This is a free event. Contact Jane ([jjackson@BibleCenterChurch.com](mailto:jjackson@BibleCenterChurch.com)) with questions.

## CHURCH LIFE

### New Member Candidates

- William Clayton
- Eric & Rebecca Eanes

### Baptism Class

For anyone interested in being baptized, come to the Living Room (#2101) on May 19. Choose from 10:15 AM, 12:15 PM, or 6 PM. No registration needed. Please bring a photo or be prepared to have one taken. Contact Jane ([jjackson@BibleCenterChurch.com](mailto:jjackson@BibleCenterChurch.com)) with questions

### White Water Rafting

Saturday, May 25 • 8 AM-6 PM • Alpine Adventures in Beckley, WV • \$100, lunch included • Must be 13 years old or older to participate. Sign up online or on the app. Space is limited.

### Save the Date: Global Leadership Summit

Thursday & Friday, August 8 & 9 • Fresh, actionable, and inspiring leadership content from a world-class faculty. No matter where your influence is—in your family, school, work or church—you are invited to learn how to maximize it.

## CHILDREN

### Save the Date:

#### Power Up! Vacation Bible School (3 years old-5th Grade)

July 14-18 • 6-8 PM • Kids, raise your game by realizing that *God's power has given us everything we need to lead a godly life* (2 Peter 1:3a)! Register on the app today. Evening snacks provided.

### Student Ministry Wednesday Schedule (Middle & High School)

**May 15** - Regular program

**May 22** - Middle Schoolers participate in a *May We Serve* Project. High Schoolers participate in *May We Serve: Combs Family Yard Work*

### Graduation Sunday is May 19

Use the app or go to [BibleCenterChurch.com/register](http://BibleCenterChurch.com/register) to submit names of those graduating high school and above. **Today is the last day to sign up.** Make sure to have your degree type and degree abbreviation ready. We will honor our 2019 graduates at the 9 & 11 AM services.

### Burger Bash

Wednesday, May 29 • Gathering Space • Free • Join us for our 2nd Annual Burger Bash! Invite friends for fun, games, and burger eating contests! We are asking that girls bring chips and guys bring a 2-liter of soda.

### Middle School Missions Trip

Leave at 8 AM, June 5 and return at 10 AM, June 8 • Students will have the opportunity to work for 2 days on projects still needed from the 2016 flood in Clendenin, WV. On the final day, we will have fun at King's Island! The cost of the trip is \$175. Sign up on the app or online. Space is limited—register soon!

## BELONG

### GEMS Luncheon at Panera (Widows)

Saturday, June 1 • 12-2 PM • Panera (Southridge) • All are invited! Dutch treat. Call Suzanne Lackey at (304) 610-3034 to attend.

### Men's Picnic

Saturday, June 1 • 4 PM • North Lawn (picnic tables) • \$5 • All men and their wives are invited. Great time to learn more about our Men's Groups. Register online and sign up to bring a side item. Contact Roger Young for details ([youngster7@suddenlink.net](mailto:youngster7@suddenlink.net)).

## SERVE

### May We Serve

Visit the group wall or website to see how you can impact our city this month. [BibleCenterChurch.com/2019mws](http://BibleCenterChurch.com/2019mws).

### Thomas Hospital Baby Steps Unit

Bible Center has an opportunity to provide hospitality services or to be "Baby Cuddlers" at the soon-to-open Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome Unit, *Baby Steps*. To volunteer for either program, or to donate items for the unit, visit [BibleCenterChurch.com/babysteps](http://BibleCenterChurch.com/babysteps). **The application must be completed before Friday, May 17.**

### Vacation Bible School Volunteer Opportunity

Serve in a fun environment by helping with registration, crafts, or in a classroom. Middle school students through adults are welcome. For questions email Pastor Steve ([sneill@BibleCenterChurch.com](mailto:sneill@BibleCenterChurch.com)). Sign up online or on the app.