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Today's Chancel Flowers are given

- in celebration of Dennis and TJ Beck on their 50th wedding anniversary, with love from the Beck, Stephens, and Waidelich families.

Ministry Partners 2016

This week, we ask that you please pray for these partners in ministry that MDPC assists with your support:

Houston Achievement Place helps children and their care-providers develop the relationships and skills necessary for home, school, and life success. It provides foster care, adoption programs, and life skills classes.

h-a-p.org

Houston International Seafarers Ministry chaplains minister to seafarers from around the world on ships that dock in the Ports of Houston, Barbours Cut, Galveston, Beaumont, Port Arthur, and Bayport.

venturecd.net/seafarerscenter.org

The Micah Project ministers to young men who have spent anguished childhoods in impoverished homes or on the streets of Tegucigalpa, Honduras. The youths learn to become Christian leaders through discipleship, formal education, and service to others in need. *Act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God. Micah 6:8*

micahprojecthonduras.org

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

OPERATING INCOME

2016 Budget	\$ 11,050,000
Expected Income to Date	\$ 3,063,032
Actual Income to Date	\$ 3,423,523
Current Income Surplus	\$ 360,491

The Micah Project is staffed by Honduran and international missionaries, whose commitment to the lifelong discipleship of these young men makes this a family. Many of the guys who have moved to independent living stay very connected to the Micah family, mentoring and encouraging new, young residents. Your giving supports Micah's continued existence as a home and refuge. >



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SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2016

REST EASY

MATTHEW 11:28-30 | BRETT HURST PREACHING



Camino de Santiago - A Pilgrimage in the Steps of James

For centuries, faithful Christians have made pilgrimages to holy sites as a way of exploring and expressing their faith. Join a small group of pilgrims from Texas on a Pilgrimage along the Camino de Santiago in Spain. We will walk (100 km in 6 days), pray, experience the cultures of our fellow pilgrims of the world, and dive into spiritual practices in a whole new way.
Trip Dates: September 9-20, 2016. We'll need to do some training to safely walk that distance! Please contact Amy Delgado in Outreach Ministries by May 31 to sign up (adelgado@mdpc.org).

MDPC Summer Study: SIMPLIFY

"Seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you." (Mt 6:33)
Bestselling author Bill Hybels shares his story of the wake-up call that changed everything—and the steps he took to simplify his life before it was too late. Discover how to stop living at such a frenetic pace and chart a new course toward satisfaction, purpose, and significance in Christ.

Wednesdays, June 1-22 | 6:30-8:00 PM | Parlor

Dinner is offered 5:00-6:30 PM (\$10). Feel free to bring a to-go box to class.

Registration is encouraged, walk-ins are welcome: register.mdpc.org

Celebrate National Cancer Survivors Day

Next Sunday, we will honor individuals who have struggled through a battle with cancer. Cancer survivors and their families are invited to join us for refreshments.

Sunday, June 5, following the 9:45 AM Service | Gathering Room

Register Now for REACH Summer Recreational Camps and Classes!

Adults will enjoy art, ballroom dancing, music, and fitness classes like strength training and yoga. Camps for kids include basketball, fashion, cheer/tumbling, cooking for kids, dance, science, Spanish, soccer, survival tactics, theater, voice, woodworking, and more.

Classes are filling up fast! For details or to register, visit reach.mdpc.org or call 713-490-9564.

Prime Timers Summer Film Series

Prime Timers Senior Ministry proudly hosts another summer film series! Beat the heat while enjoying free popcorn and acclaimed films. All are welcome free of charge. Stick around afterwards for a brief guided discussion of the film and its impact on our Christian faith.

Select Wednesdays, 3:00 PM | MDPC Amphitheater • June 8 – The Intern (PG-13)

Not all movies are suitable for all ages. Please visit pluggedin.com to review movie content.

Men's Summer Study

Join MDPC Men's Ministries for a special book study on leadership, facilitated by Brett Hurst, Ken Harris, and MDPC Men. Open to all men. Free to attend.

Tuesdays, June 7-July 26 | 6:30-7:45 AM | Amphitheater

For more information, contact Brett Hurst at bhurst@mdpc.org or 713-490-0930.



PLEASE silence or place your cell phone in airplane mode upon entering worship. Thank you!



MDPC MORNING WORSHIP

*Please stand if able.

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10:00 AM SERVICE

WORSHIP INVITATION AND WELCOME

*SONGS OF PRAISE

Your Grace Is Enough
The Wonderful Cross

Matt Maher
arr. Tomlin/Redman

*MOMENT OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

Kristin Huffman

SONG

Cornerstone

arr. Liljero/Morgan/Myrin

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

Great Are You, Lord

Ingram/Jordan/Leonard

MESSAGE

Rest Easy

Brett Hurst

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Musicians in this service: Joe Gavito, guitar; Perla Gutierrez and Michael Middleton, worship leaders; Craig Gysler keys; Asher Pudlo, drums; Dennis Whittaker, bass

5:00 PM FIFTH SERVICE IS MOVING TO 11:00 AM

Fifth Service Is Moving to the Morning!

Come check us out! Starting next Sunday, June 5, join us in the mornings for energetic worship, casual community, and dynamic teaching. Everyone is welcome!

Sundays, starting June 5 | 11:00 AM | Amphitheater

Visit fifthservice.mdpc.org for more info.



11:15 AM SPANISH SERVICE

MDPC's Fuente Hispanic Ministries worships in the Chapel. For more information on Spanish-language and bilingual community events and programs, visit fuente.mdpc.org.

Sent To Serve

Summer Service Opps

Doctrine can divide us, but mission always unites us.

Pastor Alf invites the MDPC family to come together for these upcoming mission projects!

Sunday Morning, June 5

Give some of your time and talent during All-Church Lunch. A special table will be set up in Fellowship Hall where you can make a bean soup package for the Fuente Food Pantry. It's a fun project that takes just a few minutes: You'll layer a variety of beans in a mason jar, attach the recipe instructions, and sign a card for the recipient. Please bring one or more bags of beans (any variety) to the project.

Wednesday Evening, June 8 | 5:00-6:00 PM

Before sitting down to Wednesday Night Dinner, stop by the Kids' Meal table to make sandwiches for a few minutes. By giving a little of your time, you can help feed Houston's food-insecure preschoolers. Please bring a loaf or two of white or wheat sandwich bread.

For more opportunities throughout the summer, visit sent.mdpc.org.



"As the Father has sent Me,
I am sending you."
John 20:21



MDPC Food Service Ministries invites everyone to

All-Church Lunch

Next Sunday, June 5 | 11:00 AM-1:00 PM

A selection of two fresh entrées (\$10) will be on offer, or enjoy entrée salad (\$8.50) and vegetable plate (\$7) options. The children's meal is just \$4.50! Meals include coffee, tea, milk, or lemonade, a choice of side salad, and a selection of desserts.

Come hang out with young adults from our various groups, classes, and worship services. Eat tacos, drink coffee, play board games, and be awesome.

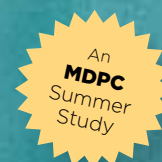
No program or agenda; just good times.

Every Sunday morning, starting next Sunday, June 5
10:30-11:15 AM, outside the Amphitheater

ya.mdpc.org



How to Read the BIBLE for All Its Worth



Sundays, beginning June 12 | Parlor | 9:45 AM
The Quest Class invites all who are interested!

Join us this summer as we glean crucial insights for reading, grasping the meaning of, and getting the most out of the Bible, using Gordon Fee's book of the same name. Each stand-alone lesson will be both informational and devotional – feeding both our heads and our hearts. Register at register.mdpc.org

NEW

MEMBER CLASS

Explore membership at MDPC

SUMMER INTENSIVE

This class, taught by the associate pastors and elders, condenses the normally six-Sunday New Member Class into a weekend. It includes a service project at a local mission partner on a separate Saturday.

June 3 and 4, Friday Evening and Saturday Morning | Summit Room

Contact Diann Turet at 713-490-9553 or visit register.mdpc.org.

•COLLEGE• Summer Study

At this summer's college Bible study, we'll dig into great food and conversation about God's Word. It's open to all graduating seniors and anyone in college.

Wednesdays at 6:30 PM

Contact Laura Miller at lmiller@mdpc.org for info.

REST EASY

Matthew 11:28-30 (ESV)

Brett Hurst Preaching

We live today in a culture that is saturated with an overabundance of activity, access, and anxiety. Yet it is still possible to move and produce in a less hurried state. Moreover, God has an even greater plan for us to find His ultimate rest.

1. In Matthew 11:28, Jesus tells us to come to Him first, and He will give us rest. Why do you think we frequently take so long to explore this option? Read Mark 1:35. What was Jesus' default plan for being refreshed and equipped daily?
2. As we read through Matthew 11:29-30, we learn about the "yoke" that Christ offers. This idea of a yoke, which was put on animals for pulling heavy loads, is a metaphor for Christ's easier way of helping us carry the various burdens that we have (sin, legalism, spiritual oppression, exhaustion, etc.). What are the particular burdens you currently are carrying in your own strength?
3. What actually is the "rest" that Jesus promises? Is it more than physical recuperation? Is it something for which our hearts long? Do you think that Christ's "rest" is a present-moment state, a future state, or both?
4. Should worship of God make us feel energized or rested? What happens when we share excitement and joy in worship with other believers? Do we sometimes experience things differently when we get quiet and alone with God? Are both forms of worship (energized praise and quiet reflection) important and valid?
5. In general, few people would want to be unproductive in their lives. But we all have our physical, emotional, and spiritual limits. Do you feel guilty when you have a "lazy" day? Should you? Why or why not? Are there times when you can be unproductive while being too busy? What drives you in your busyness? When does personal ambition become a burden?
6. In Genesis 2:3, God (who never needs rejuvenation) rested from His work. Is rest consistent with work? Is rest consistent with Kingdom activity? How is the Lord's rest typically different from ours?
7. How would it change your life to start viewing rest of all kinds as encounters with God?

