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Ministry Partners 2016

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

Medical Center Apartments
 This coalition of 13 churches operates apartments in the Medical Center leased to patients and their caregivers who are in Houston for long-term treatment. MDPC oversees nine one-bedroom apartments that provide a home-away-from-home.

For information, contact South Main Baptist: 713-524-2640

Memorial Assistance Ministries (MAM) helps families and individuals in need due to temporary crisis maintain self-sufficiency and avoid homelessness. Services include social services and resources, job counseling, an English as a second language (ESL) school, and a resale shop.

mamministries.org

Renewing Our Minds (ROM) in Croatia is led by MDPC field partners Tihomir and Christine Kukulja. ROM seeks to reconcile people of different faiths and cultures in the Balkan region by studying the teachings of Jesus. Participants are chosen based on leadership potential with the hope they will return to their home countries and impact their spheres of influence.

forumforleadership.blogspot.com

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

OPERATING INCOME

2016 Budget	\$	11,050,000
Expected Income to Date	\$	3,922,262
Actual Income to Date	\$	4,545,773
Current Income Surplus	\$	623,511

Imagine being 800 miles from home receiving radiation treatments while bouncing between hotels, or even having to live out of a car or hospital lobby. Thanks to Medical Center Apartment ministry, patients don't have worry about living arrangements while being treated for cancer in Houston. Your giving helps take away the sting of homesickness while fighting cancer. >



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QUESTIONS

God Asks Of Us

AND WHY OUR ANSWERS MATTER.

Sunday, July 3, 2016

Whom Shall I Send? | Isaiah 6:1-8

Mauricio Chacón preaching



Connect with Our Outreach Partners

Outreach needs two more committee members to make site visits and report back for funding and partnership consideration. The time commitment is one monthly night meeting and 4-5 visits to review some of our local partners. Is God calling you?

Contact Jan Roe for more information and to volunteer: jroe@mdpc.org

Summer Celebration Needs...

Please consider donating these items for this year's Summer Celebration VBS:

- shoeboxes (cardboard or plastic)
- Christmas wrapping paper
- old electronics (NO scanners, laptops, monitors, or items with glass can be accepted)
- water, sodas, and individually packaged NUT-FREE snacks
- loaves of white or wheat sandwich bread
Please do not bring bread until Sunday, July 10 - we don't want it going stale!

Drop off items other than bread at Children's Ministries through Friday, July 8.

We still have space for elementary-age kids to attend! Register them today at sc.mdpc.org
 Contact Alicia with questions: aboykin@mdpc.org

Married Life Prep

Taught by Brett and Kellie Hurst of Home Encouragement, you will learn how to build your marriage upon a firm foundation.

Sundays, July 10-31
 10:00 AM-12:00 PM | CLC Room 171

To sign up, visit mlp.mdpc.org, or call Amanda Grace Caldwell at 713-490-0931.

The Living Well: Revival of Heart. Renewal of Mind. Rest for Soul.

Mark your calendar for the start of this 24-week women's study led by Charlotte Crawford. Women of all ages and stages of faith are invited to come and discover the freedom, peace, and joy that Jesus promises through the Gospel of John.

Wednesdays, September 14-April 5
 6:00 AM | Amphitheater

More info and registration at women.mdpc.org.

Save the Date: Marriage Retreat led by Brett & Kellie Hurst

Saturday-Sunday, October 1-2 | Woodlands Waterway Marriott | \$210/couple

Contact Amanda Grace Caldwell at 713-490-0931 or acaldwell@mdpc.org with questions.

Sunday School SPOTLIGHT

Faith Explorations

A dynamic group aged 60+ who meet for engaging discussion of popular Christian books. They are beginning a new book study next week July 10, *All the Places to God* by Presbyterian pastor, John Ortberg. Come for fellowship and discussion. You'll be sure to learn something new!

Sundays, 9:45 AM | CLC 170

Drop in, or contact A.J. Phipps with questions: ajoanhipp@aol.com or 713-781-5139

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



Now it's YOUR turn to ask the questions.
 Turn the page to find out how.



*Please stand if able.

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10:00 AM BLENDED SERVICE

GATHERING MUSIC	<i>America the Beautiful</i>	MATERNA
WELCOME		Rick Myers
*SONGS OF PRAISE	<i>Blessed Be Your Name - Te Bendeciré</i> <i>Come Thou Fount - Fuente de la Vida Eterna</i>	arr. Redman arr. Gómez
*PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE		Kyle Collins
SONG OF RESPONSE	<i>Cannons - Canción del Universo</i>	arr. Wickham
GIFTS OF GRATITUDE	<i>Open Up the Heavens - Dios Abre los Cielos</i>	
MESSAGE	Questions God Asks of Us: <i>Whom Shall I Send?</i>	Mauricio Chacón
RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE	<i>Here I Am, Lord - Heme Aquí, Dios</i>	

Musicians in this service: Christina Colgin, cello; Dennis Gerson Gomez and Meliza Gómez, worship leaders; Joe Gavito, guitar; Craig Gysler, keys; Tim Hughes, violin; Julio Sanchez, drums



Please Pray for Our Military

Please pray for the American armed forces, and these men and women serving at home and abroad.

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| Candice Alexander's nephew:
Lt. Commander Brian P. Alexander Navy | Maryann Munroe's grandnephew:
Private Perry Connor Marines |
| Craig Behm's son-in-law:
Jeremy Fleming Marines | Jim and Carol Newlin's son-in-law:
Lt. Commander Michael J. Canzone Navy |
| Dee Zook Bell's grandson:
Christopher Zook Army Special Forces Recruit | David and Shannon Perry's son:
Aircraft Commander Sean Perry Air Force |
| Dick Berry's grandson:
Corporal John Hird Marines | Deborah Pruitt's son-in-law:
Major Neil McMullin Marine Surgeon |
| Naomi Black's son:
Chaplain Lt. Commander Peter W. Dietz Navy | Don and Virginia Russell's grandson:
Sergeant Joseph Russell Army |
| Second Lt. Mark Bressler Army Reserves | Brian and Tanya Schneider's nephew:
Holden Jenkins Army |
| Betsy Clark's grandson:
Christopher Lenze Marines | Joe and Jean Simmons' grandson:
Specialist William Bruce Berry Army |
| Tom and M.A. Dunscombe's son-in-law:
Commander Stephen W. Burgher, MD Navy | Jane Ann Smeck's son:
BUCA Cameron Freeman Navy |
| Paul and Susan Galvin's nephew:
Major Joseph Galvin Army | Dave and Jenny Steane's son:
Specialist Tyler Steane Army |
| Bob and Carol Giles' daughter:
Captain Ellen Giles Jones, MD Army | Jim and Gladys Taylor's nephew:
Gunnery Sergeant Christopher Taylor Marines |
| Scott Gilley's brother:
Captain Stephen R. Gilley Marines | Danilo Toledo and Zoraya Ávila Tellez's daughter:
Private Daniela Toledo Army |
| Sergeant Kyle Hinton Army | Harvey Trammell's nephew:
Shawn Blake Marines |
| Alice Horn's nephew:
First Lieutenant Paul Early Marines | George and Dot Uthlaut's grandnephews:
Major David Uthlaut Army
Captain Chris Uthlaut Army |
| Captain James Howell Army | Alejandro and Raquel Vasquez's son:
Specialist Alan Bejarano Army |
| Bud and Janet Hughes' son:
Chase Hughes Navy | Bart and Barbara Westmoreland's family:
Major Justin Westmoreland Air Force
Lt. Commander Andrew Cain Navy
Lt. Colonel Brian Deas Air Force |
| Brenda and Fred Jackson's grandson:
First Lieutenant Charles Smith Army | Ralph and Mary Wheeler's nephews:
Philip Newman Army
Andrew Wheeler National Guard |
| Sharon Johnson's son:
Staff Sergeant Richard Johnson III Army | Pauline Wolcott's grandson:
ET3 Robert Leeland Navy |
| Willie and Jody Jordan's grandnephew:
Lieutenant Josh Kash Navy | David Word's son:
Captain Andrew N. Word Army |
| Carolyn and Grant Judge, Jr.'s son-in-law:
Chaplain Lieutenant Jeffrey Quinn Marines | Cari Wilson's husband:
Staff Sergeant Andrew Wilson Air Force |
| James and Lori Keeter's nephew:
Staff Sergeant Tommy Keeter Army | |
| Larry and Margaret Kelminson's son-in-law:
Major General Kevin Kennedy | |
| John and Kay Krebs' son:
Lieutenant Kory Krebs Navy | |
| Barbara Mourglia's nephew:
Staff Sergeant Brandon Macken Air Force | |

An up-to-date list always is available at military.mdpc.org. We strive for accuracy and sincerely regret any errors. Edits and additions may be sent to Eva Kaminski at ekaminski@mdpc.org. Please notify us when you are blessed with the return home of your loved one.

QUESTIONS

You've Always Wanted to Ask

▶ WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW?

In our 2016 summer sermon series, we're looking at **Questions God Asks of Us** – but we bet you have some questions of your own.

If you have a question about God, Scripture, or today's sermon, fill out the form below (contact info is optional). Tear off the completed form, and pass it down the aisle, where an usher will collect them after the sermon. Please do not place them in the offering plate.

MDPC's pastors and other staff Biblical scholars will answer the questions during the coming week. Responses will be posted at questions.mdpc.org by this Thursday.

My Question: _____

Please contact me personally about my question:

Name _____

Phone (_____) _____

Email _____

Another way to ask your questions: There's a chalkboard just north of the Front Office where you're encouraged to leave your questions for (or about) God. The pastors also will answer some of these questions on Facebook. You'll find chalk, pens, and Post-its near the board.



Sent To Serve

Summer Service Opps



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

We hope you've heard God's call to GO out into the world to share the love and hope found in Christ! There's still loads of summer left, so check out these opportunities to touch lives...

INTRODUCE a Child to Christ

MDPC's Summer Celebration still can use adult volunteers. It's fun, and it's important work. If you can share your mornings for a week, you might just start a child's life-long relationship with Jesus.

July 11-15 | 9:00 AM-12:30 PM

Contact [Alicia Boykin \(aliciaboykin@mdpc.org, 713-490-9261\)](mailto:aliciaboykin@mdpc.org) or visit sc.mdpc.org

PLAY with Summer Campers

Bring summer camp inside for young patients at Texas Children's and MD Anderson Hospitals. Join **Camp for All** to bring love, laughter, hope, and healing to the campers - plus fun sports! Application and training are required.

July 11-15 or 25-29 | Full day, 1/2 day, or full week

Contact [Camille Boudreaux at cboudreaux@campforall.org](mailto:camilleboudreaux@campforall.org), or 979-289-3752.

BLESS Homesick Seafarers

Make and wrap "Christmas in July" boxes at home for **International Seafarers**. You can drop them off at MDPC anytime before **July 20**, or carpool with us to bring them to the Seafarers Center at the Port of Houston on July 21.

Trip to the Center: Tuesday, July 21 | 6:30-8:00 PM

Contact [Peter Ham at peterham@sbcglobal.net](mailto:peterham@sbcglobal.net).

ENCOURAGE Teachers

Help teachers at **Housman Elementary** in SBISD prepare for Back to School with lots of on-campus projects: put up bulletin board displays; sort, copy, and laminate materials; assemble parent information packets; etc.

Thursday, August 18 | 8:30 AM-Noon

Contact [Maritza Pujols at mpujols@mdpc.org](mailto:maritzapujols@mpujols@mdpc.org).

For more details, visit sent.mdpc.org.

QUESTIONS

God Asks Of Us

Whom Shall I Send?

Isaiah 6:1-8

Pastor Mauricio Chacón Preaching

Chapter 6 is one of the best-known chapters of Isaiah, and presents another question from God to Isaiah—and to us as well. This chapter has caused debate among Bible scholars because of three problems:

1. The first has to do with the chronological relationship of Chapter 6, containing God's call to Isaiah, to the previous five chapters that speak of judgment and deliverance. What do you think is the right order? For Isaiah to have ministered as a prophet before being commissioned by God? Or is this order chronological, but not logical?
2. The second problem is whom the prophet saw. Isaiah saw "the Lord" (v. 1), whom he called the "King, the Lord of hosts" (v. 5). However, the apostle John wrote that Isaiah saw "Jesus' glory" (John 12:41). It may have looked pre-incarnate Christ who, being God, is also the Lord. The prophet did not see the divine nature, because no mortal can see God (Exodus 33:18; John 1:18; 1 Timothy 6:16; 1 John 4:12), and because the divine nature is invisible (1 Timothy 1:17). Isaiah had no problem in the theophany he witnessed, as happened with Ezekiel (Ezekiel 1:3-28), Daniel (Daniel 7:2, 9-10), and others. What do you think was the vision of Isaiah? Do you think it was Jesus *before* His incarnation?
3. The third problem is that the vision came when he was in the temple. Was he there because he was a priest? Jeremiah was the son of a priest and Ezekiel was a priest, but the book of Isaiah says nothing about the author being from a priestly lineage. If he didn't perform priestly functions, then he could have been there as a worshiper when he had the heavenly vision. Or maybe he, like Ezekiel (Ezekiel 8:1-4), was not physically in the temple, but a vision transported him. What do you think? Was it a vision or was Isaiah physically in the temple?

In these eight verses, we can find five different visions that motivate us. They are:

1. Start at sacred places in our experiences with God, when He appears to us and calls us.
2. They occur at critical moments in our pilgrimage, whether personal or national.
3. Accompany supernatural manifestations, such as a vision of God, miracles, and audible voices in our spiritual hearing.
4. We are led to repentance and confession of sin.
5. The result is a consecration and commitment to service: "Here am I, send me."

Do you have or have had any of these visions? If so your response should be: "Here am I, send me."



QUESTIONS

God Asks Of Us
preguntas que Dios pide de nosotros

¿A Quién Enviaré

Isaías 6:1-8

Pastor Mauricio Chacón

El capítulo 6 de Isaías es uno de los mejores conocidos de todo el libro de Isaías. Aquí nos encontramos con otra pregunta de Dios a Isaías y a nosotros también. Este capítulo ha causado un debate entre los estudiosos de la Biblia. Porque podemos reconocer por lo menos tres problemas que son los causantes de dichos debates.

1. El primero tiene que ver con la relación cronológica del capítulo 6, que registra el llamado de Dios a Isaías, con los cinco capítulos anteriores, que hablan de juicio y liberación. ¿Cual cree usted que es la posición más acertada? ¿Ministraba Isaías como profeta antes de ser comisionado por Dios? o ¿Este capítulo no sigue un orden cronológico sino lógico, de la vida de Isaías?
2. El segundo problema es a quién vio el profeta. Isaías vio “al Señor” (v. 1), a quien llamó “El Señor de los ejércitos” (v. 3) y el “Rey, Señor de los ejércitos” (v. 5). Sin embargo, el apóstol Juan escribió que Isaías vio la gloria de Jesús (Juan 12:41), éste pudo haber mirado a Cristo preencarnado quien, por ser Dios, es también el Señor. El profeta no vio la naturaleza divina, porque ningún mortal puede ver a Dios (Éx. 33:18; Jn. 1:18; 1 Ti. 6:16; 1 Jn. 4:12) porque es invisible (1 Ti. 1:17). No obstante, Isaías no tuvo problema alguno en la visión o teofanía que presencié, como sucedió con Ezequiel (Ez. 1:3–28), Daniel (Dn. 7:2, 9–10), y otros. ¿Qué cree usted que fue la visión de Isaías? ¿Cree que fue Jesús antes de ser encarnado?
3. El tercer problema se refiere a que la visión fue cuando se encontraba en el templo (Is. 6:1). ¿Estaba allí porque era sacerdote? Jeremías fue hijo de sacerdote (Jer. 1:1) y Ezequiel era sacerdote (Ez. 1:3), pero el libro de Isaías no dice nada acerca de que el autor fuera de un linaje sacerdotal. Si no desempeñaba funciones sacerdotales, entonces pudo estar allí como adorador cuando tuvo la visión celestial. O quizá él, como Ezequiel (Ez. 8:1–4), no estaba físicamente en el templo, pero en una visión fue transportado a ese lugar. ¿Qué piensa usted, fue una visión o estaba físicamente en el templo?

En estos primeros 8 versos podemos encontrar 5 diferentes visiones que nos motivan, ellas son:

1. Comienzan en lugares sagrados en nuestras experiencias con Dios, cuando El se nos aparece y nos llama.
2. Acontecen en momentos críticos en nuestro peregrinaje, sea personal o nacional.
3. Acompañan manifestaciones sobrenaturales, tales como visión de Dios, milagros, y voces audibles a nuestro oído espiritual.
4. Nos llevan al arrepentimiento y confesión de pecado.
5. Resultan en una consagración y compromiso al servicio: “Heme aquí, envíame a mí.”

¿Tiene o ha tenido alguna de estas visiones? Si es así su respuesta deberá ser: “Heme aquí, envíame a mí.”

