

What Is Life?

Every so often it's worth asking a simple but profound question: What is life? The world tells us it's about success, comfort, or pleasure. But God's Word points us to something much deeper.

Life begins with God. In Genesis 2:7 we see Him forming Adam from the dust and breathing into him the breath of life. Isaiah 64:8 reminds us that He is the Potter and we are the clay. You and I are not accidents, we were carefully shaped by God's hands, made with purpose, and filled with His breath.

Life is not just about the physical. Jesus said in Matthew 6:25 that life is more than food and the body more than clothes. Those things matter, but they do not define us. True life comes from trusting the One who provides.

Scripture also reminds us that life is brief. James 4:14 describes it as a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. That truth may sound sobering, but it should stir us to live each day intentionally, with gratitude and with eternity in mind.

And here's the hope we cling to: real life is spiritual and eternal. Jesus said in John 14:6, *"I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life."* Eternal life is not simply endless existence, it is knowing God personally through Jesus Christ, just as He prayed in John 17:3. By His grace, we are made alive with Christ, even when we were dead in sin, as Ephesians 2:4-5 declares.

Finally, life in Christ is full. Jesus promised in John 10:10, *"I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."* That doesn't mean longer days or easier years, but deeper joy, lasting peace, and eternal purpose.

So, what is life? It is God's gift; brief, precious, eternal, and fulfilled in Christ alone. Let's live each day gratefully in Him.

Gary

THE MONTH OF

September

Calendar of Events

- Join us for these upcoming events.
- 1 - Youth Pool Party, 5pm
 - 7 - Membership Class, 9:15am
 - 8 - Youth Group begins, 6:30pm
 - 10 - Evening of Prayer, 7pm
 - 14 - Baptism Sunday
 - 15 - Women's Pool Party, 6:30pm
 - 20 - Men's Breakfast, 7:30am
 - 20 - Ladies' Prayer Breakfast, 7:30am

September 8

7pm

Evening of PRAYER

Take that next step of involvement at BBC!

Commitment To The Community

Sept. 7 & 14 - 9:15am

membership CLASS

YOU'RE INVITED



BAPTISM SUNDAY

September 14



Youth Pool Party!

Students (7-12 grade) and families come swim with us on

Sept. 1, at 5:30pm at the home of Ken and Robin Allshouse

Contact Phillip Ridlen for more info!

MATLACK Community Group

The Book of

J A M E S

meets every other monday night at 6:30pm

beginning september 22



Women's Pool Party

September 15, at 6:30pm at Verna Matlack's home



LABOR DAY

SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<i>1 * Sandy Arnall Neva Dick</i> 	2	3	4 * <i>Jaris Roth</i>	5	6
7  9:15AM Bible Classes 10:30AM Worship 4:00PM AWANA Club 6:30PM Youth Group	8 	9	10	11	12	13
14  9:15AM Bible Classes 10:30AM Worship 4:00PM AWANA Club 6:30PM Youth Group	15 * <i>Charlie Brown</i> 	16 * <i>Bill Fiocchi</i>	17	18	19	20  
21 * <i>Jeremy Caywood Phillip Ridlen</i> 9:15AM Bible Classes 10:30AM Worship 4:00PM AWANA Club 6:30PM Youth Group	22 	23	24	25	26 * <i>Lynda Kersen</i>	27
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