

# The HeartBeat OF MOUNTAINSIDE

A weekly newsletter for Mountainside Church members



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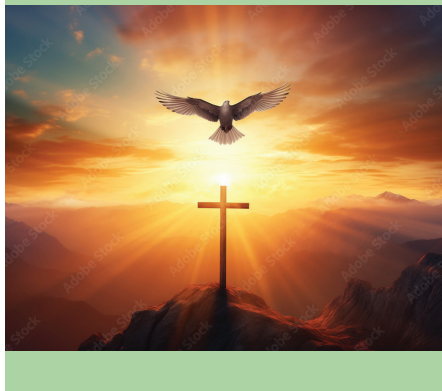
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## This Sunday at Mountainside

### “Promise Kept” Acts 2:1-13



## “Impossible Barriers”

One of the things I hated hearing when I was growing up was, “Doug, you can’t do that!” Was it because people didn’t think I was good enough, or maybe smart enough, or maybe it was just beyond my capabilities? Whatever it was, it just made me try just that much harder. Why? Was it to prove people wrong or was it to prove something to myself? Whatever it was, it was a powerful driving force!

What if we listened to people when we are told things are impossible? For years, runners tried and failed to run a mile in less than four minutes. Gunder Hagg of Sweden set the world record for the mile in 1945 at 4 minutes and 1.3 seconds. The world thought a sub-four minute-mile was a physical impossibility. For years people tried and failed to break the barrier. It wasn’t until a young English runner by the name of Roger Bannister, who had researched training methods and mechanics. He had won the British mile championships in 1951 and 1953, and in 1954, as a medical student at Oxford University, he applied his research to break what was once thought to be an impossible barrier by running the mile in 3 minutes, 59.4 seconds and became the first sub-4-minute miler in the world.

The same is true for the sound barrier. Once thought to be an invisible, impenetrable wall came crashing down in 1947, and aviation history was made. On October 14, 1947, U.S. Air Force test pilot Chuck Yeager flew the Bell X-1 rocket plane, the Glamorous Glennis, to a speed of approximately 700 miles per hour, or 1.06 times the speed of sound (Mach 1.06) over the Mojave Desert in southern California.

It is said the fastest growing sector or area in the global church today is the



southern church. It is the church below the equator such as in southern Asia, southern Africa, and in South America. But what is driving this rapid growth.

When Jesus was in the upper room, spending His last evening with the apostles, He was teaching them about many things, assuring them not to worry. John 14:12-13 says, “Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.” Was Jesus telling them that they would be able to do greater miracles than He had been doing? I believe so. After they had received the Holy Spirit, they conducted many miracles. Both Peter and Paul even raised individuals from the dead through the power of the Holy Spirit, glorifying the Father and the Son.

Is our faith an invisible barrier that is holding us back from the possible? Do we call it the “impossible” as an excuse? The same Holy Spirit who worked through Peter and Paul is the same Holy Spirit who waits to work through us every day. All we have to do is make ourselves available. What is your plan for today?

# OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT & ENGAGE



## Upper Room

Join us **Wednesday, June 10 at 5 p.m.** in the Sanctuary for food, fellowship and songs! Call the office at (501) 922-2626 to let us know if you are bringing a dish (salad, side dish or dessert).



## Honoring America's Heroes

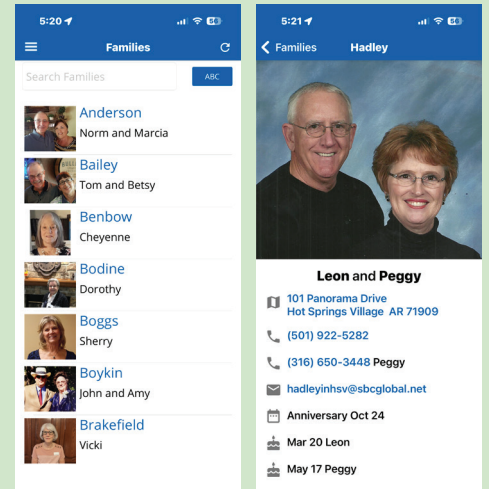
The church offices will be closed Monday, May 25 in honor of Memorial Day. This federal holiday is a day of remembrance for the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. Continue to pray for our active service members and their families.

## Mountainside Members at Your Fingertips

Did you know you can add the Mountainside Church Directory to your Smart Phone? You can also edit your information in the app. The directory includes church member details such as address, phone number, anniversary dates, birthdays, neighborhoods and photos.

1. Go to the App Store or Google Play on your phone and search for "Instant Church Directory." The icon is a pea-green icon with a white church.
2. When you launch the app, enter your email address (must be the same one the church has) and create your password.
3. You're in!

You can edit your profile in the app, including your photo, or you can email your updates to Stacey at [mountainsidechurch@gmail.com](mailto:mountainsidechurch@gmail.com) and she will update it for you.



## Hospitality Team

This Sunday's Hospitality Team is JD & LouAnn Walker and Mike & Liz Clarno. Thank you serving!



## Seeking Your Photos

Have photos from a recent church event, Bible study or activity? We want to add it to the Mountainside website gallery. Send your photos (limit 5 per email) to Ken Guzel at [auroablue.kgg@gmail.com](mailto:auroablue.kgg@gmail.com).

# PRAYERS



## Prayers Needed

Jesus said “WHEN you pray...” not “IF you pray” (Matt. 6:5). Please add these people to your prayers this week.

- Mary Justina Ackley
- Matthew Baker
- Brenda Blaylock
- Jeff Boor
- Lundy Colvert
- Joey Dean
- Joy Dressler's Family
- Shawn Foster
- Jeff Fox
- Debbie & Perry Garcia
- Don Heitz
- Danielle Herron
- Donna Ibbotson
- Brian Karriger
- Roy Lang
- Brian Little
- Renee McKinley
- Jeff & Melissa Owen
- Elaine Pool
- John Randolph
- Lisa Riddick
- Mallory Seibert
- Becki Tetu
- LouAnn Walker
- Marcia Wanner
- Carol Willson
- Richard Wood

## Other Prayers

- The people of Ukraine
- The entire Middle East
- Our state & national leadership
- Mountainside Church & leadership
- Active Military and Family Members

If you would like to make additions/corrections/deletions to the prayer list, please call the church office at **(501) 922- 2626** or email Stacy at **[mountainsidechurch@gmail.com](mailto:mountainsidechurch@gmail.com)**.

