



## Thank You for Joining Us Today!



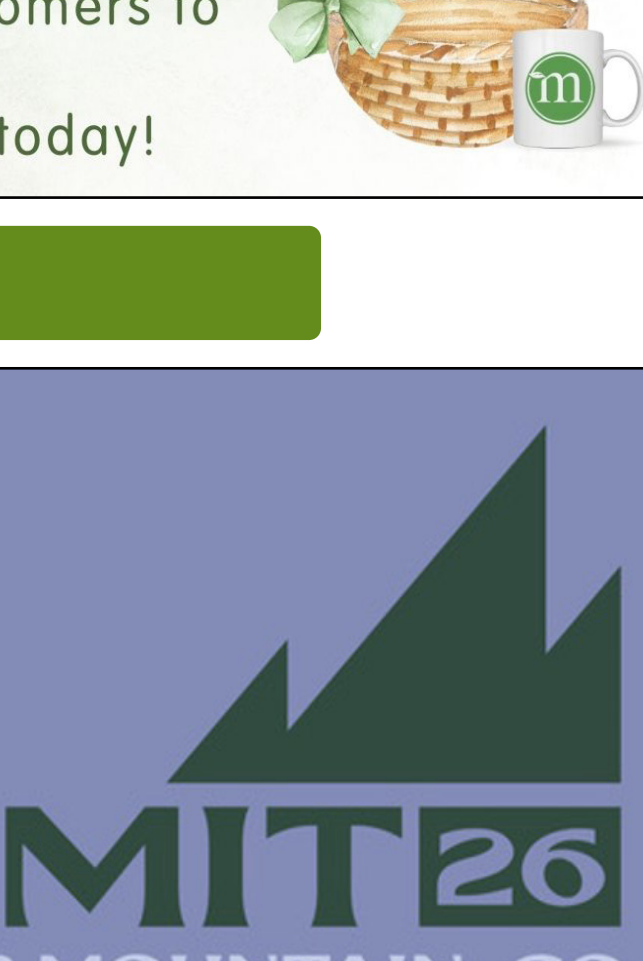
Please take a moment to sign the Welcome Book, located in your pew. Members, please greet any guests seated near you. If you're joining us virtually, sign our digital book at [mrcc.org/welcomebook](http://mrcc.org/welcomebook)

## Please Join Us For First Cup

First Cup is an opportunity for newcomers to learn more about MRCC

Every Sunday at 9:35 a.m.  
in the Welcome Center

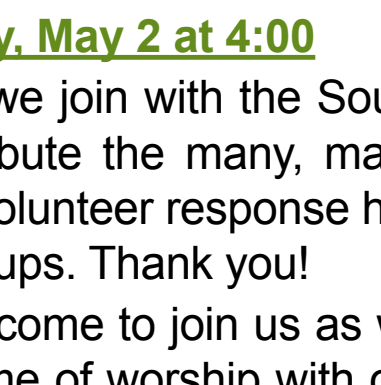
Visit [mrcc.org/firstcup](http://mrcc.org/firstcup)  
for more details



## WELCOME MUGS AND BASKETS

These simple gifts are available at Information Central. Mugs are intended for first-time guests to MRCC, while baskets are for newcomers to your neighborhood.

Deliver a mug or basket today!



### FEATURED ITEM

SUMMIT 26  
COPPER MOUNTAIN, CO  
JULY 20-22

Contact Debbie Carter or the church office. | [mrcc.org/summit](http://mrcc.org/summit)

### MINISTRY UPDATES

#### SONGS FOR THE CITY WORSHIP TIME // Saturday, May 2 at 4:00

We're really looking forward to this weekend, when we join with the South Walker and Serve Midtown congregations to distribute the many, many shoes that you donated for Shoes for the City. The volunteer response has been great and we've now closed the volunteer signups. Thank you!

Whether or not you're signed up to serve, all are welcome to join us as we cap off the project with Songs for the City, a joint time of worship with our sister churches. Here are the details:

4:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 2 at Wiley Post Park (2021 S. Robinson, OKC) Bring your lawn chairs and head to the pavilion in the center of the park. If it's raining, we'll relocate to the Event Center in the southwest corner of the park.

Access a song book for the event at [www.mrcc.org/shoesworship](http://www.mrcc.org/shoesworship)

Elotes (street corn) and Aqua Frescas (juice drinks) will be available for purchase from food trucks at the park

#### INTERNATIONAL WORSHIP & POTLUCK // This Sunday, May 3

May 3 is the first Sunday of the month, and the final opportunity to join and bless our internationals through international worship and potluck before breaking for the summer. Why not get to know some of your brothers and sisters from other countries among us, as well as many new visitors, by joining us for international worship this Sunday, May 3rd at 11:00 a.m. in A105-106, with potluck lunch at Noon in the Summit gym. All nations welcome!

#### SUMMIT 26 // July 20-22

There's still time to round up your friends and family to register for our return to Copper Mountain on July 20-22, where another round of fun and fellowship in the mountains awaits! Visit [mrcc.org/summit](http://mrcc.org/summit) to get details and see the brochure (or grab a hard copy at the building), then contact Debbie Carter ([debracarterok@gmail.com](mailto:debracarterok@gmail.com)) to ask questions and register. Hope to see you there!

#### SECOND CHANCES NEEDS MEN'S PANTS

Our ministry partner has an urgent need for men's pants in sizes 28-36. All kinds of pants are needed – sweats, jeans, shorts, P.J's, etc. Donations can be taken directly to either Second Chances location (3431 S. Boulevard in Edmond | 2605 N. MacArthur Blvd. in OKC).

#### INSIDE OUT CAMP NEEDS TIN CANS

Inside Out camp is collecting 15 oz tin cans for a craft project. 120 cans are needed. There are drop-off donation boxes at the Journey Land desk and by Information Central.

#### THIS IS MY STORY PODCAST

Wade & Joyce Estes are the latest MRCC members to share their story on the podcast, in an episode that dropped earlier this week. Listen to them describe their foster care and adoption journey, which has led to nine (!) adopted kids in addition to their other three children. It's an awesome testimony of faithfulness and God's providence. LISTEN & SUBSCRIBE on Spotify, Apple Podcasts or on the podcast area of our YouTube channel.

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SUPPORT FOSTER FAMILIES

The Estes' story illustrates a great need that our Foster Care & Adoption Ministry is aiming to address in launching a Foster Family Backup Care program to help foster parents when childcare unexpectedly falls through, such as during sick days, new placements, or emergencies.

We are seeking compassionate, dependable volunteers to provide short-term, flexible childcare. This could be a great fit for: retired teachers, stay-at-home parents, nursing or education students, church/community members, or future foster parents. Background checks required.

To learn more or get involved, contact Ministry Director Janet Irvin at [mrccfoster@gmail.com](mailto:mrccfoster@gmail.com).

#### NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER MEETING // Thursday, May 7

Gary Bodine will lead a prayer gathering from noon to 1:00 in A105-106 on the National Day of Prayer on May 7. All are welcome to invite a friend and join us as we pray for our nation on its 250th anniversary.

#### CARE & COUNSELING MINISTRY UPDATES

ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP will meet Tuesday, April 7 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in A119.

#### WOMEN'S MINISTRY UPDATES

THREADS OF COMPASSION WORK DAY is this Sunday, May 3, 2:30-4 p.m. in A120 to knit and crochet scarves for survivors of sexual violence. All are welcome, and more information may be found at [www.threadsokc.org](http://www.threadsokc.org).

#### MEN'S MINISTRY UPDATES

PRIMAL PATH: RAISING BOYS INTO MEN – Boys don't become men by accident. This training weekend, led by Jeff Lovett, will give dads a practical framework for leading their sons with intention during the teen years. Friday May 15 (6:00-8:00 p.m. in A105-106 - Dads only) | Saturday May 16 (9:00-11:00 a.m. in A105-106 - Dads only) | Sunday May 17 (12:30-2:00 p.m. in A105-106 – spouses invited). [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more or sign up.

## CELEBRATE RECOVERY

### MEETS EVERY FRIDAY

#### 6 PM - DINNER

1ST TIME GUESTS EAT FREE!!!

#### 7 PM - LARGE GROUP

A TIME OF WORSHIP FOLLOWED BY PERSONAL TESTIMONY OR RECOVERY LESSON

#### 8 PM - OPEN SHARE GROUPS

GENDER AND ISSUE SPECIFIC SMALL GROUPS

#### 9 PM - COMMON GROUNDS

FELLOWSHIP, COFFEE & DESSERT

PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE

**FREE CHILDCARE 6:45-9:15**

[MRCC.ORG/CR](http://MRCC.ORG/CR)

[celebraterecovery@mrcc.org](mailto:celebraterecovery@mrcc.org)

### SERMON INFO

*The Promise of*  
**HOPE**

This Sunday, we explore a powerful truth woven throughout Scripture, God's desire to dwell with His people. From his giving of the tabernacle, from the birth of Jesus to His sending of the Holy Spirit, God has been moving heaven and earth back together. Join us Sunday morning as Phil continues, *The Promise of Hope*.

*Sunday Evening*

Life can be full of joy and beauty, but it can also leave us wounded and overwhelmed. What do you do when fear rises, when heartache lingers, when pain feels too heavy, or hope seems out of reach? Join us Sunday night as we explore practical, faith-filled steps not just to survive adversity, but to rise above it in our lesson, *Conquering Adversity*.

### OTHER NOTES

Sunday Morning Sermons

Looking for a new podcast? We have a few to choose from! Check out **This is My Story** or **Young Adult World** to hear stories from our members. Missed a message or want to hear it again? Check out **MRCC Sunday Morning Sermons**. All podcasts are available on major podcast platforms!

### HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Assistive listening devices are available for use in the auditorium at every worship service. Request a receiver at the AV booth.

## BUILDING SCHEDULING FORMS

If you would like to request a room in the building(s) for an activity:

- Go to [mrcc.org/buildingreservation](http://mrcc.org/buildingreservation) to request space for an activity or event
- Go to [mrcc.org/teampractice](http://mrcc.org/teampractice) to request gym space for team practice

Contact [mackenzi.verner@mrcc.org](mailto:mackenzi.verner@mrcc.org) with any questions.

### STAY CONNECTED & INFORMED

- Watch live or previous broadcasts of worship, sermons, or WOW at [YouTube.com/memorialroad](http://YouTube.com/memorialroad).
- Download the MRCC App (for iOS and Android) for easy access to all our resources. Check it out today!

### FAMILY UPDATES

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*Washed Anew*  
**We Celebrate The Following Baptism:**  
Tanna Godwim, wife of Blaze Godwin, who was baptized on Sunday, April 26.  
*Welcome to the Family*

Information for the Updates can be directed to [sally.massey@mrcc.org](mailto:sally.massey@mrcc.org).

### HOSPITALIZED

Jan Bost's new heart is doing well; however, she is experiencing some difficulty from infections. Prayers are appreciated as she continues to recover.

### PRAYER LIST

Matt Walters was removed from one trial group and is now in regular chemo until he matches a new trial group.

### SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to...

The family of **Lisa Conklin** on the passing of her father, John Ronald (Ron) Blue, on Sunday evening, April 26. His service will be Thursday, May 7 at 2:00 p.m. at Central Bible Church (8001 Anderson Blvd., Fort Worth, TX 76120).

### BIRTHS

We rejoice with...

**Ryan & India Jones** on the birth of their daughter, **Sage Ember**, born April 27. Grandmother is **Montine Jones**.

**Bryce & Darci Pickard** on the birth of their son, **Clyde Scott**, on April 22. Grandparents are **Darrell & Gaylia Pickard** and great-grandparents are **Billy & Glenn Nell Hester**.

**Devin & Heather Sikes** on the birth of their daughter, **Ember Jeanne**, on April 18.

### THANK YOU

Dear Memorial Road family, thank you so much for all the love we felt while there with you. Thank you for all the wonderful meals, the encouraging visits, the hugs in the hallways, and the talks on Wednesdays and Sundays. We came back to Brazil refreshed, renewed and reenergized. Please pray for Valinhos, our family and the 40 new souls God will add to His church. We love you, **Allen & Robin Dutton**

### Ways to give

[mrcc.org](http://mrcc.org)  
mrcc app  
text amount to:  
884.311.2333

### Prayer Requests

We would love to pray for you. Submit your prayer requests at [mrcc.org/prayer](http://mrcc.org/prayer), or on the MRCC App.

Weekly Budget: \$120,053 | Avg Weekly Offering: \$122,055 YTD Budget Surplus: \$34,039

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