



MAR MISSION FOCUS

Our mission focus for *March is CarePortal*. CarePortal is a ministry that brings together local churches and the Department of Child Services to help strengthen families in our community and build relationships between them and the Church. In an effort to address the foster care crisis in our state, CarePortal seeks to keep kids with their biological families where such a situation is safe. They do this by working with DCS to learn of specific needs among families in Vanderburgh County, and making church partners aware of those needs. Financial donations collected this month will help us respond to those needs. You can find a basket at the back of the Worship Center, or you may give online at [bluegrass.church/give](http://bluegrass.church/give). If you'd like to get involved with the CarePortal Response Team here at Blue Grass, email Blue Grass member and CarePortal coordinator Rachel Riggs at [marariggs@aol.com](mailto:marariggs@aol.com). As needs arise, you may have the opportunity to respond to specific requests for items & other forms of aid.



CONNECT

**GUESTS & BG FAMILY TEXT BGCONNECT to 94000** to let us know you are here each week **OR** you can fill out the Connection Card below, detach & place in offering plate as you leave.

**Service Attended:** ☐ 8:30am ☐ 9:45am

Name(s) of those attending with you:

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THE MESSAGE

**Disciple-Makers: The Delegation**  
Acts 6:1-7

- Growth often creates conflict.**
- The leaders took the complaint seriously.**
- The leaders created a plan of delegation.**
- They prayerfully commissioned the ministry.**
- Ephesians 4:11-12**, “It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up.”



*March 17, 2024*

*Celebrating 200 years*

*of Building Progress*

**Today’s Message:**

**Disciple-Makers:**

***The Delegation***

Acts 6:1-7

Rev. Doug Heiman

Lead Shepherd

*2024 is a special year in the life of Blue Grass Church as it marks our 200th anniversary as a church. To mark this special occasion, we have four themed celebrations planned throughout the year. Today marks the first observance, as we take a historical look back at Blue Grass’ evolution of growth and building.*



## NEWS & EVENTS

### LENTEN PRAYER GATHERINGS

This Lenten season, we're offering a weekly prayer time. We will meet in the Hospitality Room on **Wed., March 20 at 6:30pm and on Thursday, March 28 at 6:15pm.** Along with our own personal needs, we'll have a prayer theme each week. This week's theme is: *Praying for Spiritual vitality.*

### MCGARY SCHOOL GARDEN CLEAN UP

In an effort to support McGary Middle School, a Blue Grass school partner, we are looking for volunteers to help with some garden and greenhouse cleanup. Join Blue Grass members and McGary Garden Club students on **Fri., March 22 from 2-4:30pm** as we prepare the greenhouse and garden beds for spring planting. Sign up online at [bluegrass.church](http://bluegrass.church).

### GUYS SMALL GROUP

**TODAY from 1:30-3:00 pm**, all 7th—12th grade boys are invited to meet in the Chapel Campus youth room to hang out, enjoy a Bible Study, fellowship, and of course, food! Don't miss out!

### BLUE GRASS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Blue Grass Scholarship Program was established for Blue Grass Church members through a generous memorial gift to the church. This year we are again offering two scholarships of \$1,000 each. **Applications are due by May 1st.** For all the details and an application, go to our website at [bluegrass.church](http://bluegrass.church).



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### MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

Please join us in-person or online on **March 28th at 7:00pm** as we commemorate the Last Supper, the meal that Jesus shared with his disciples on the night before He was crucified. It will be a service to prepare us to join Jesus at the table in Holy Communion.

### EASTER WEEKEND CELEBRATION

On Easter Weekend, we'll gather together to celebrate the Risen Lord who claims victory over sin & death. **We will have three services which will be held on Sat., March 30 at 5:30pm, and Sun., March 31st at 8:30 and 9:45am.** In order to allow us to plan accordingly for worship and childcare, please pre-register at [bluegrass.church](http://bluegrass.church). All services will be available online.

### BG KIDS EASTER PROGRAMMING

During all three services on Easter weekend, we will have special BG Kids and Preteen programming called a *Sense of the Resurrection!* Children, ages preschool-6th grade, will get to experience Easter using each of their senses. They'll get to **smell** Mary's perfume, **hear** Hosanna, **taste** the bitterness of sin, **feel** the nails, and **see** how our sins can disappear when we are **saved** by Jesus Christ! Register your kids at [bluegrass.church](http://bluegrass.church) at the same time as you make your Easter reservation.

### AD COUNCIL SUMMARY

Our Administrative Council met on January 18th for a scheduled quarterly meeting. You can find a summary and highlights of the meeting in the March 14th edition of the weekly enews.



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### LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR DAY

Join your Blue Grass Church family and volunteers from around our community on **Sat., April 20th from 9am to 1pm** in the Tepe Park neighborhood as we join in the work of our ministry partner, Community One. Volunteer activities include housing restoration and outdoor projects in the park and around the neighborhood. **Register online at [bluegrass.church](http://bluegrass.church) by Friday, April 12th to reserve your spot!**

### MENS SMALL GROUP

Ned Wilson & Paul Brodzik are kicking off a new small group for the men of Blue Grass! If you've been looking for an opportunity to meet up with other guys to talk about your faith as you learn what it looks like to be the man of faith you were created and called to be, then this is the group for you! The group will listen to the 'Drivetime Devotions' podcast from Saddleback Church throughout the week, and get together to discuss those lessons when they gather. You can download the Drivetime Devotions app, or subscribe to the podcast in your favorite podcast app, or listen to it directly on the website at [drivetimedevotions.com](http://drivetimedevotions.com). **The group will meet on Thurs., April 11 at 6:30pm in rooms 1007-1008.**

### GIRLS SMALL GROUP

All 7th-12th grade girls are invited to a Pizza Party **TONIGHT from 6 to 7:30pm in the Youth Room at our Chapel Campus.** Join us as we eat, fellowship, & grow closer to Christ together. Bring a friend and be entered for a prize giveaway!



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### BICENTENNIAL MISSION FOCUS

Blue Grass has been a ministry partner with Mishpael Fountain Ministry since before it's official launch. One of the key ways Mishpael Fountain Ministry pursues their mission is through the construction of water wells in underserved communities. As we celebrate our 200th year as a congregation, we want to take the opportunity to continue to show our support for this ministry in a way that honors our church legacy of community, connection, and care. To that end, ***in 2024, we're challenging the congregation of Blue Grass to fund as many water wells as we can through Mishpael Fountain Ministry.*** Every \$3500 donated to the 'Bicentennial Wells' fund represents a community that will receive the gift of easily accessible, clean drinking water, and all the opportunities that come along with access to such a fundamental resource. You can donate online at [bluegrass.church](http://bluegrass.church) or you can find a basket at the back of the Worship Center. Be sure to either select or note Bicentennial Mishpael Wells with your gift.

### NEXT GEN MISSIONS PROJECT

***Next Gen Ministries, Nursery through 12th grade students, is also setting a goal this year to raise \$7000 for two water wells*** for Mishpael Fountain Ministry as a part of our 200th year as a church. The \$7000 goal represents each ministry—BG Kids and BG Students. See the full article online at [bluegrass.church](http://bluegrass.church) on how the kids can participate in this fun challenge.