



Youth Grind Week

August 15th-17th
6-9 PM (Leave OBC by 5:50 PM)

Worship, games, prizes, live music,
fun & free food! (Bring a mask!)

Euto Baptist Church
6019 Hwy 205 in Marshville
www.grindweek.com

UBA Sunday School Conference

Tuesday, August 31st 7-9 PM

Lakeview Baptist Church
4602 Concord Hwy in Monroe



The conference will consist of a time of praise & worship, a time of reflection, and a time of refocusing. There will also be breakout sessions for all Divisions (Senior Pastors, Pastoral Staff, Sunday School Directors, Division Directors, Classroom Teachers).

Igniting the Hearts of Men Conference

Saturday, September 11th

8:00 AM to 5:00 PM (Doors open at 7:45 AM)

Lee Park Baptist Worship Center: 2491 Morgan Mill Road in Monroe

This event is a one-day equipping conference designed to help men deepen their relationship and strengthen their walk with Christ!

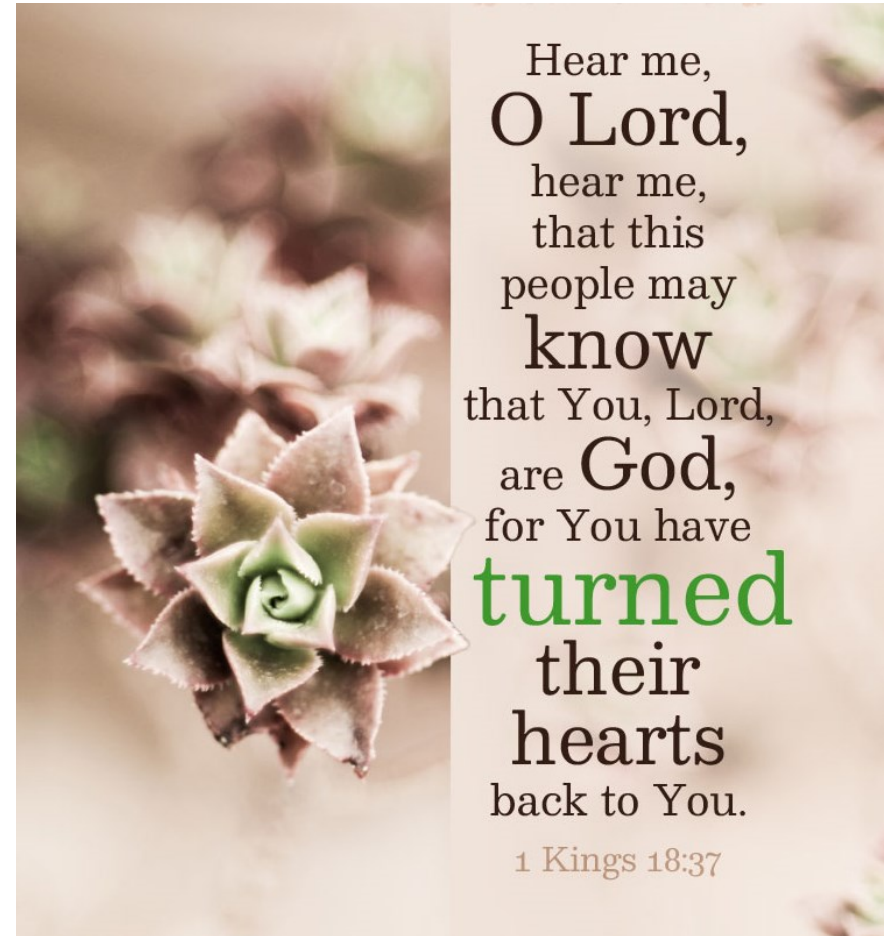
Tickets are \$39 per person (\$35 per person for groups of 10+).

Lunch is \$5 per person.

Let the Church Office know you're going by Sunday, August 29th.



August 15, 2021



Hear me,
O Lord,
hear me,
that this
people may
know
that You, Lord,
are **God**,
for You have
turned
their
hearts
back to You.

1 Kings 18:37

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Sunday, August 15 2021

Serve with Loyalty (1 Kings 18:20-26, 31-39)

The Point: God deserves our loyalty and service.

The Bible Meets Life: *Semper Fidelis*, Latin for “Always Faithful,” has been the U.S. Marine Corps motto since 1883. It expresses the Marines’ pledge to remain faithful always, no matter what.

Marine Corporal Matthew Bradford (Ret.) exemplifies this motto. Serving in Iraq in January 2007, Bradford was on patrol along the Euphrates River when he stepped on an improvised explosive device (IED). Shrapnel blew into Bradford’s eyes, took off one leg, severely mangled the other, damaged his left arm and right hand, and caused serious internal injuries.

Three weeks later, he woke up from a coma to discover he was blind and had lost both legs. Yet incredibly, in April 2010, Bradford reenlisted in the Marine Corps, becoming the first blind, double amputee ever to do so. *Semper Fidelis*.

Marines understand the importance of loyalty. The prophet Elijah has shown us what unwavering loyalty to God looks like. In 1 Kings 18, we find Elijah embroiled in a battle of sorts. His loyalty to God was on display, and he challenged others to that same loyalty. His challenge confronts us still today.

Live It Out: List. What idols tempt you from making God your first allegiance? List them, and choose to relinquish them. Pray and ask God to help you turn from any idols. **Study.** Study further to defend your belief in God as the only true God. Books such as *Mere Christianity*, by C.S. Lewis; *The Reason for God*, by Timothy Keller; *Jesus Among Other Gods*, by Ravi Zacharias; or *The Case for Case*, by Lee Strobel are great resources to study. **Stand.** If there is a dividing issue in your church or community, determine to stand for God. This means standing on solid biblical teaching and principles even when it’s not popular to do so.

Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

Elijah: Living Outside the Comfort Zone

Sunday, August 22 Serve Even When Discouraged
(1 Kings 19:1-5a, 11-18)

Sunday, August 29 Lead Others to Serve
(1 Kings 19:19-21; 2 Kings 2:6-14)

**BIBLE
STUDIES
FOR LIFE**

Opportunities for Ministry & Service

Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Indoor Worship

10:00 AM Online Worship

Wednesday

6:30 PM Youth

6:30 PM Online Worship

Thursday

Jail Ministry

Service Attendance

Sunday, August 8

Indoor: 40

Online Reach: 135

Wednesday, August 11

Online Reach: 56 Youth: 8



Sunday School Material

The Sunday School material for the Fall quarter will be available in the Sunday School classrooms starting August 22nd!

Monthly Budget & Offerings

Budget Needs:

\$18,566.08

August Offering

To Date: 7,091



Prayer Requests

Eddie & Candy Anderson

Elise Byers

Kent Chapman

Brandy Eudy’s Mother

Cindy French

Sam & Wanda Goodwin

Nan Helms

Renay Moore

Bob Murray

Irene Welch



Blood Drive @ UBA

Wednesday, August 18th

2:00 PM to 6:30 PM

UBA Conference Center: 1744

Williams Road in Monroe

You can schedule an appointment
at RedCrossBlood.org



**American
Red Cross**

Backpacks of Hope

The Fall semester is starting soon for UCPS, so that means the backpacks ministry will be kicking off soon! Please pray for this ministry and for the students who will receive food each week.

