

# word AND worship

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COMING  
THIS FALL  
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## We got you, mom!

Are you a mom of young children? Would you like a little break in the week to drop off the kids, relax, and chat with other moms?

Then Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPs) is for you! Come for coffee, connection, solid content, and *adult conversations*.

We'll save a seat for you!

**Begins August 30**  
**Meets every other Thursday**  
**9:30-11:15 AM | Parlor**

Register: [mops.mdpc.org](http://mops.mdpc.org)

**FREE**  
**Childcare!**

Questions?  
Contact Anna Vickers:  
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713-490-9260

**Thursday:** Study begins September 6  
Women | 9:30-11:30 AM  
Childcare (free) for ages 3 months to 5 years

**Sunday:** Study begins September 9  
Co-ed | 9:45-10:45 AM or 11:15 AM-12:15 PM

**Wednesday:** Study begins September 12  
Co-ed | 5:00-6:00 PM; Women | 6:30-7:30 PM

Details and registration: [wordandworship.mdpc.org](http://wordandworship.mdpc.org)

### What to expect at Word and Worship:

Life with God all began in the Garden. To learn how to build lives, create families, and encourage faith, we want to go deep into the stories of those who first walked with God. Throughout this study, we will saturate ourselves with the great stories of Genesis - tales that inspire us to orient our lives around our God, who relentlessly pursues us.

Life shared with others brings greater joy, keeps us honest, and encourages us to persevere when the road gets tough. In Word and Worship, we will share during time together in small groups, while also having opportunities to worship and learn with the bigger, corporate body of Christ.



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June-July 2018



### WRESTLING with SCRIPTURE

A Summer Sermon Series  
by the MDPC Pastors  
and Seminarians

**Do you struggle with Scripture?**  
**Are you perplexed by passages?**  
**Ever tripped up by texts?**

Don't worry: You're not alone. All of us have experienced Biblical stories, parables, events, or passages that are hard to understand or accept. MDPC Pastors heard your topic suggestions, and they're taking on the *tough texts* in this summer sermon series, and in a new podcast (see ad below).

**Sundays, June 3-August 12**

## SUMMER 2018 OUTREACH



Before booking your summer plans, plan to serve! Our local ministry partners need summer volunteers in a variety of ways. From serving a family dinner to facilitating fun activities at a Christian Camp, there are lots of ways for you to make a difference while making an impact for Christ! Visit [summeroutreach.mdpc.org](http://summeroutreach.mdpc.org) to learn more about these bite-size offerings.



Register: [summercel.mdpc.org](http://summercel.mdpc.org)

**Monday-Friday, July 9-13**  
**9:30 AM-12:30 PM**

MDPC's version of Vacation Bible School is for children who have completed Kindergarten through 5th grade.

Preschool children can attend if a parent volunteers.

**More volunteers are needed. Your participation facilitates more children attending this event and meeting Jesus face to face!**

Please sign up to volunteer at [summercel.mdpc.org](http://summercel.mdpc.org).

### Listen to our New Pastor Pods!

MDPC Pastors and other biblical scholars from our staff have paired up for a podcast series that really digs into "Wrestling with Scripture". All five episodes will release in early June. To listen, go to [pastor pods.mdpc.org](http://pastor pods.mdpc.org).



WRESTLING  
with SCRIPTURE

Eps. 1

Eps. 2

Eps. 3

Eps. 4

Eps. 5

SUMMER

Alpha

Alpha is an interactive series for you to explore Christian faith. Whether you're a believer, or you're questioning, or maybe you wouldn't even call yourself Christian, this open, honest, and accepting forum is for you.

**Tuesdays at 6:30 PM**  
Meets weekly, June 5 through August 7

Alpha is **FREE**. Dinner and childcare are provided.

For info and to register, visit: [alpha.mdpc.org](http://alpha.mdpc.org)

**Alpha Runs Here.**



# SUMMER FILM SERIES

Sponsored by Prime Timers

Select Wednesdays  
3:00 PM | Amphitheater



**FREE ADMISSION & POPCORN!**

Visit [movies.mdpc.org](http://movies.mdpc.org) for a listing of upcoming films and their ratings.

## Discover MDPC with Alf

Attend an informal meeting to learn more about the vision and outreach of MDPC. No commitment required. The next event is scheduled for June 3, 10:45-11:10 AM in The Nook.

Learn more:  
[membership.mdpc.org](http://membership.mdpc.org)

## Explore New Member Classes

The usual four-week New Member class series is transformed into a two-day summer intensive, and is taught by the Associate Pastors and Elders. The experience includes a Saturday service project at one of the organizations supported by MDPC.

Friday Evening, June 8 & Saturday Morning, June 9  
6:30-9:00 PM & 9:00 AM-12:00 PM  
In the Parlor

PUBLIC SPEAKING  
COMMITMENT REJECTION  
INTIMACY HURRICANE FAILURE  
SPIDERS SEASON THE DARK  
DEATH FLYING HEIGHTS

# FEAR:

## WHERE IS GOD?

Fear is a normal human emotion. But what do we do with it?

Join us as we seek the answers from a pastor, a professor, and a counselor.

Sundays, July 22 & 29, and August 5  
11:00 AM | Amphitheater

# MARRIAGE is not for WIMPS!

Woodlands Waterway Marriott  
September 29-30, 2018

MDPC Marriage Retreat 2018

Ready to take your marriage to the next level?

Get away for a fun and intentional weekend together, focused on your married life. This special experience will include a comfortable atmosphere, excellent food, a one-on-one date night with your spouse, and expert teaching from long-time marriage educators, Brett and Kellie Hurst of Home Encouragement.

[marriageretreat.mdpc.org](http://marriageretreat.mdpc.org) | \$220/couple

# MAM

MEMORIAL ASSISTANCE MINISTRIES

## June Is MAM Month at MDPC!

MAM stocks a Home Care Closet for their clients that is filled with necessary, but budget-busting, toiletry items. Help eliminate these items from a family's grocery list by purchasing the items below, and dropping them off in the carts around campus:

- ☐ Deodorant
- ☐ Shampoo (full-size and sample)
- ☐ Disposable Razors
- ☐ Toothbrushes
- ☐ Diapers (size 4, 5, & 6)

Contact Jan roe: [jroe@mdpc.org](mailto:jroe@mdpc.org), 713-490-9552

# GOD

Is... Love.  
Light.  
Spirit.  
Fire.

This quick summer series is a must for men. GOD is...

Scripture says in various verses that God is love, God is light, God is Spirit, God is fire. How do we personally see those differing characteristics as we walk with Him? Join us for the Men's Summer Study to dive deeper into some of the most intriguing and personal aspects of God. Ken Harris and other teachers will lead men in exploring the amazing attributes of God that are revealed in His Word! Questions? Contact Anna Vickers at [avickers@mdpc.org](mailto:avickers@mdpc.org) or 713-490-9260

Registration: [godis.mdpc.org](http://godis.mdpc.org)

Tuesday mornings in June, 6:30-7:45 AM | Amphitheater | No Cost

MDPC Friends & Family

KIDS MEALS 4:30 PM

Dinner 5:00 PM

# MOVIE

Night

MOVIE 6:00 PM

June 13

details: [popcorn.mdpc.org](http://popcorn.mdpc.org)

# REACH

Recreation Ministry

Fun and educational summer classes for all ages!

Pick up a copy of the REACH Summer booklet for details, or go online to register today: [reach.mdpc.org](http://reach.mdpc.org)