

The Bible's Age for the Earth

Genesis 1:1

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth



Just when was the "beginning" when God created the heavens and the earth, as spoken of in Genesis 1:1? In these days when scientists talk about billions of years, the question of what the Bible says on the matter of origins becomes even more important.

Few people doubt that the Bible intends to teach that the creation is young. The genealogies of the Old Testament are actual reproductions of the calendar system used in most ancient times.

While the subject is very complicated, we can share with you the calculations done by some well-known Christians. You are probably familiar with Bishop Ussher's calculation that creation took place in 4004 B.C. But did you know that no less than the great scientist Kepler calculated that creation took place in 3877? Martin Luther calculated that creation took place in 3961 B.C. The very oldest ages arrived at through calculations based on Scripture say the creation is about 7,500 years old.

For the Christian, the question of the age of the creation can only be answered on the basis of Scripture. There is no question that Scripture gives us more than enough information to conclude that the creation is young and that God wants us to know it. After that, it is simply a matter of whether we accept Scripture's authority.

Notes:
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Memorial Baptist Church



March 20, 2022

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This Week at Memorial

Sunday, March 20, 2022

- 8:00am - Worship
- 9:30am - Discipleship Groups
- 10:40am - Worship
- 12:00pm - Membership Class
- 2:00pm - NH Care Center
- 3/26 - MBC Loves New Haven Service Projects
- 3/27 - GAP Mission Meetings

Look Ahead

- 4/1-7 - GAP Mission Trip
- 4/17 - Easter Breakfast
- 4/22 - (New Date) Yesterday's Kids - Long Row Lavender Farm
- 6/26-7/1 - Youth Camp
- 7/24 - Ghana Run
- 7/25-29 - VBS

Week of March 20, 2022

Joy Junction

- 9:30am Sunday School - Ben/Kim S.
- 10:40am Svc. - Rachel S. Lydia S.
- Wednesday - March 23 - Chris S.

Junior Church

- Chris S. - Laura S.
- Wed. March 23 - Kids' Connection

Wendi N. - Linda W.

Usher Ministry

- 8:00am - Joe G., Gary S.
- Sunday School- Joe G.
- 10:40am - Lester O., Curtiss C., Chris S.
- Wednesday - March 23 - Dave M., Juanita

MBC Loves New Haven Service Projects - New Date

Come serve our community with us. We will do community cleanup at schools, trash pickup, and other things on March 26 at 9:00am. (This date was rescheduled.) Let's show that MBC loves the community.

GAP (Kentucky) Mission Trip

There will be GAP mission trip meetings on March 27 following both the 8:00am and 10:40am services in the sanctuary.

Easter Worship Invitation

Please take the devotional books from the Welcome Center and pass them out as invitations to our Easter worship and free breakfast following the 8:00am service.

Easter Egg Hunt

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt on April 17 following the 10:40am service. We need lots of candy for this event. Candy must be individually wrapped, fit into an Easter egg, and not melt. We will be collecting candy in the barrel in the lobby.

I am God Designed Ladies' Conference

The conference is April 29-30 at Central Baptist Church in Eureka. Please pick up a registration form at the Welcome Center.

Upcoming Mission Trip Opportunities

Please pray about participating in one of our 2022 mission trips!

Madison, Wisconsin - June 26 - July 2. VBS, block party, outreach and other projects (joint with Franklin Baptist Association) Approximate cost is \$400.

Freeport, Bahamas - July 9-16, 2022 - Work with Shiloh Baptist Church to do construction (many repairs from Hurricane Dorian), VBS, evangelism. The approximate cost is \$1,300 - \$1,500. Fundraising and scholarships available.

Thank you for joining us for worship today. If you are visiting or have any prayer needs, please fill out an MBC Connect Card and place it in the offering plate.

VITAL SIGNS

March 13, 2022

Sunday School	63
Sunday AM Worship	170
Last Year	185
Virginia Mines Campus	41
Last Year	31

Weekly Budget

Needed weekly	\$	7,638.09
Received	\$	12,867.56
Over (Under)	\$	5,229.47
Y-T-D Over (Under)	\$	(5,343.46)
Missions/FPG	\$	10.00
B.T.I.F.	\$	0.00

Week of March 27, 2022

Joy Junction

- 9:30am Sunday School - Ben/Kim S.
- 10:40am Svc. - Rachel S. Lydia S.
- Wednesday - March 30 - Chris S.

Junior Church

- Linda Warner - Jesse Warner
- Wed. March 30 - Kids' Connection

Brenda K. - Beleta P.

Usher Ministry

- 8:00am - Steve G., Kevin M.
- Sunday School- Steve G.
- 10:40am - Jim S., Ed S., Beleta P.
- Wednesday - March 30 - Duane B., Tim R.