

Termite Assassin

Genesis 1:25

"And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that [it was] good."



The assassin bug uses a combination of camouflage and baiting which is totally unknown to any other creature.

The assassin bug glues bits of termite nest to himself using fluid from special glands in his body. This termite nest material is his camouflage as he performs his work at the nest. By the time he is done, no part of his body will be showing.

Sneaking, unnoticed, to an opening in the nest, the assassin bug waits for some hapless termite to come by. Having captured his first victim and drained it of body fluids, the assassin bug now takes his victim and waves it near the nest opening. Seeing the corpse, a worker moves forward. As he does so, the assassin bug slowly draws his bait back, luring the worker further from the protection of the nest. Suddenly, the assassin bug grabs his new victim and discards the old one. Victim number two will become bait for victim number three. In one such operation, researchers watched as one assassin bug continued this for three hours, killing 31 termites!

The gruesome way in which the assassin bug makes his living demonstrates a great deal of intelligence. The assassin bug is yet another example of the fact that intelligence doesn't have anything to do with evolution – rather, it is a gift of the Creator to His creatures.

Notes:

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Memorial Baptist Church



May 15, 2022

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This Week at Memorial

Sunday, May 15, 2022

8:00am - Worship
9:30am - Discipleship Groups
10:40am - Worship
Senior Recognition Luncheon following
10:40am Service

A Look Ahead

5/22 - Usher Luncheon following 10:40am Service
5/22 - Family Fellowship Night
5/25 - Student 7Up Party
5/29 - Sunday School Promotions
6/1 - Summer Video Series Begins
6/25 - Father/Child Fishing Day
6/26-7/1 - Youth Camp
7/9 - Smith Picnic
7/24 - Ghana Run
7/25-29 - VBS
7/31 - VBS Celebration

Week of May 15, 2022

Joy Junction

9:30am Sunday School - Ben & Kim S.
10:40am Svc. - Robin G., Jamie B.
Wed. - May 18 - Chris S.

Junior Church

Brenda K. - Beleta P.

Wed. May 18 - Kids' Connection

Megan B. - Ryan G.

Usher Ministry

8:00am - Gary S., Joe G.
Sunday School - Gary S.
10:40am - Chris S., Lester O., Sue R.
Wed. - May 18 - Dave M., Juanita H.

Church League Softball

If you are interested in playing church league softball this summer, please sign up at the Welcome Center. If you have any questions, please contact Zach Kosark at 573-259-0235.

Family Fellowship Night

Family Fellowship Night is May 22 on the grounds at 6:00pm. We will have food, bounce house, and games. Please bring a side dish if you are able, such as potato salad, slaw, baked beans, pasta salads, chips.

Usher Luncheon

There is an usher luncheon on May 22 in the Family Life Center at 12:00pm for all current ushers and those interested in the usher ministry.

7 Up Party

All upcoming 7th graders and current students are invited. The party will be May 25 from 6pm - 8pm at the Smiths' house, 3692 Grant School Rd., New Haven. Please contact Nathan if you plan to attend. The bus will leave the church at 5:45pm.

VBS Volunteers Needed

We still need the following volunteers:

- preschool workers (2)
 - registration (2)
 - photographer (1)
 - crew leaders (2 over 18 yrs. old) and youth crew leaders
- If anyone wants to work, we will find a place for you to serve. If you have questions, please contact Amy Johnson at 573-237-2699 or amy.rick.johnson@gmail.com.

Summer Video Series

Starting June 1 we will have a summer video series on Wednesdays at 6:45pm. There will be snacks and the video and discussion will begin at 7:00pm. Kids' Connection and students will meet separately after eating. There is a signup sheet at the Welcome Center for providing snacks.

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

May 8, 2022

SundaySchool	64
Sunday AM Worship	185
Last Year	174
Virginia Mines Campus	35
Last Year	42

Weekly Budget

Needed weekly	\$	7,638.09
Received	\$	6,208.56
Over (Under)	\$	(1,429.53)
Y-T-D Over (Under)	\$	(13,059.99)
Missions/FPG	\$	15.00
B.T.I.F.	\$	50.00

Week of May 22, 2022

Joy Junction

9:30am Sunday School - Laycie K.
10:40am Svc. - Chris S., Laura S.
Wed. - May 25 - Cindy S.

Junior Church

Robin G. - Lydia S.

Wed. May 25 - Kids' Connection

Megan B. - Ryan G.

Usher Ministry

8:00am - Kevin M., Steve G.
Sunday School - Kevin M.
10:40am - Jim S., Jesse W., Beleta P.
Wed. - May 25 - Duane B., Kathy M.