

Frog Pharmacists



He also that receiveth seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful. (Matthew 13:22)

Some frogs are regular little drug factories. Their skins produce a wide range of powerful alkaloids, which are a large family of chemicals usually produced by plants. Familiar alkaloids include quinine, caffeine and morphine. Different alkaloids have different effects, usually on the nervous system.

The poison-arrow frog may be the most famous alkaloid-producing frog. South American natives simply rub their arrows or darts on the frog's back. One species of this frog contains enough poison to kill 100 people! Another frog, native to Ecuador, produces an anesthetic more powerful than morphine. South American natives rub another frog on their wounds. Researchers discovered that the frog's skin makes a powerful antiseptic. Yet another frog alkaloid will change the colors on parrot feathers. Some of the alkaloids produced by frogs are so complex that it takes years of study, using modern science's most sophisticated equipment, to discover the active chemical.

Researchers in this field are only beginning to learn about the alkaloids produced by frogs. They have yet to research a frog that natives claim to use to heighten their senses for the hunt. What puzzles scientists who believe in evolution is that the frogs' exotic skin chemistries don't follow the patterns they anticipated based upon expected evolutionary relationships.

This means that these frogs have one more exciting purpose. They provide evidence against evolution and for the Creator.

Ref: Pennisi, Elizabeth. 1992. "Pharming frogs." Science News, v. 142, July 18, p. 40. Photo: Blue Poison Dart frog. (PD)

Memorial Baptist Church



December 10, 2023



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This Week at Memorial

Sunday, December 10, 2023

8:45am - Discipleship Classes

10:00am - Worship

12/13 - 7pm - Search Committee Questions and Answers.

A Look Ahead

12/20 - Youth Christmas Party

12/24 - Christmas Eve Svc. 8pm.

12/27 - NO SERVICE

12/31 - Youth Bowling and Lock in

1/7 - Breakfast

1/8 - Upward practices begin on Monday, Thursdays and Fridays.

1/10 - Business Meeting

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.

December 10, 2023

Joy Junction

8:45am - Cindy S.

10:00am Svc. - Julie C. - Thomas S.

Wed. - December 13 - Linda W.

Junior Church

NO JUNIOR CHURCH

Kids Connection - Wed.

NO KIDS CONNECTION

Usher Ministry

8:45 - Sunday School - Kevin M.

10:00am - Curtiss C., Jesse W., Ben S.

Wed. - December 13 - Ryan W.

December 17, 2023

Joy Junction

8:45am - Cindy S.

10:00am Svc. - Ben S. - Kim S.

Wed. - December 20 - Cindy S.

Junior Church

Lisa R. - Levi J.

Kids Connection - Wed.

Amy Johnson - Ryan G.

Usher Ministry

8:45 - Sunday School - Joe G.

10:00am - Gary S., Jesse W., Jim H.

Wed. - December 20 - Tim R.

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

The International Missions week of prayer is December 3 - 10. Please help support our international missionaries with prayer and a generous offering for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Help us surpass our goal of \$500.

Pastor Search Committee Schedule

Wednesday, December 13th 7pm---Question and Answers for Search Committee during service time. No youth Bible Study or Kids Connection.

Saturday, December 16th Pastor Meet and Greet schedule.

- Noon-2pm, deacons meeting
- 2pm-3pm, Sunday School teachers meeting.
- 3pm-4pm, Committee leaders meeting
- 5:30pm, Dinner
- 6:30pm- 8pm, Question and Answers for the church

Sunday, December 17th—view of call, Pastor Preaching. Vote immediately after service.

Preschool Teacher Position

The Light Academy Preschool has an opening for a teacher on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:30am - 5:30pm. Pay is \$12.50 per hour and you must be a member of a Baptist church. Substitute teachers are also needed. The preschool follows the New Haven School term and closes in the summer. Free tuition for one child 2 yrs old through pre-K.

Please contact the church office if you are interested.

Let everything that has breath
praise the Lord
Psalm 150:6