



Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

Masters of Mimicry



"Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding." - Isaiah 40:28

Though they are only insects, stick insects seem to have an amazing knowledge of their surroundings. They are geniuses at using their

predators' weaknesses for their own protection.

Stick insects are leaf eaters. Many of them look like little twigs. The longest insect in the world is a walking stick from Borneo that reaches a length of 13 inches. A tropical stick is as thick as a finger and the same color as the bamboo on which it is often found. It also has swollen ridges that make it look even more like bamboo. Other types have leafy flaps that match the leaves of the plants they frequent. Some stick insects go even further. They lay eggs that look exactly like the seeds of the plant they feed on. A stick found in New Mexico glues its eggs to grass stems. The position and shape of the long-pointed eggs exactly mimic the seeds of that species of grass.

Some sticks have brightly colored wings that they can rapidly unfurl to startle away birds investigating them for lunch. Sticks will often sway with the breeze to make their illusion more effective. Some sticks sit motionless for hours and will often refuse to move even when being carried away by a bird. This tactic has fooled many birds into thinking it really was a twig and releasing it. Stick insects are clearly not the result of mindless chance. Their intelligence was created by the Creator of all things.

Image: A stick insect in New Zealand, Envato.



Scan the QR code after service to watch a related video!

Memorial Baptist Church



Beware: Death is Around You (Part II)

July 19, 2026

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This Week at Memorial
Sunday July 19, 2026

8:45AM – Discipleship Classes
10:00AM – Worship

Look Ahead

7/27 – 30 – Assoc. Day Camp
8/2 – Breakfast

Thank you for joining us for worship today. If you are a guest with us today, or have any prayer needs, please fill out the MBC Connect Card that is in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

July 19, 2026

Joy Junction

8:45AM – Jamie B
10:00AM Svc: Jennifer E – Cindy S
Wed, July 22 – Cindy S

Junior Church

NO JUNIOR CHURCH

The Way – Wed – July 22

6PM – 7:55PM In the FLC

Usher Ministry

8:45AM - Sunday School – Jim S
10:00AM – Curtiss C – Gary B
Wed, July 22 – Ryan W

July 26, 2026

Joy Junction

8:45AM – Sara W
10:00AM Svc: Kristin C – Tawni J
Wed, July 29 – Linda W

Junior Church

Mike C – Zachariah C

The Way – Wed – July 29

6PM – 7:55PM In the FLC

Usher Ministry

8:45AM - Sunday School – Steve G
10:00AM – Jesse W – Lester O
Wed, July 29 – Tim R

VBS Begins...

We need your help to proclaim the **Good News** and “Provide HOPE to a Fearful Generation.”

July 20-24 8:30AM -11:45AM



In a world filled with worry and confusion, **YOU** can help children need to know there is a God who cares for them. Will you join us to serve the children of our community?

All Workers Meeting TODAY: Immediately AFTER service in the GYM. Lunch provided

How to be Involved at Memorial...
Come Early
Be Engaged
Stay Late



Sunday School: 8:45AM in our Family Life Center

Room 109: Bob Gerling is teaching through the book of Isaiah

Room 110: Ben Schaeffer is currently teaching through “The Peace Maker” by Ken Sande, a guide to resolving personal conflict.

Room 214: Ryan Gerling and Tim Schaffer lead through The Gospel Project quarterly. Currently covering The Son of God, Jesus, entering history to bring salvation to all nations.

*Please ask an usher for any assistance finding a room. They have maroon shirts, a name tag, possibly a slight British accent and an heir of haughtiness, but their hearts are to serve you joyfully.

Life Group: Meet in homes on the 1st and 3rd Sunday Evenings

Chris and Laura Smith	(636) 432-2286	(5PM start)
Ryan and Sara Winters	(573) 680-3103	(6PM start)
Erik and Bekah Houston	(417) 770-3685	(5PM start)

**Please contact our home leaders for more information or directions