

What happens at a MOPS meeting?

At MOPS, we provide a friendly and fun place for mothers to relax, encourage and learn from one another.

At a typical MOPS meeting, moms can enjoy delicious refreshments, adult conversation, fabulous speakers, and fun crafts. It's a great place to re-energize and connect with other moms.



*"...he lives
with you and
he will be in
you..."
John 14:17*

What do my children do?

While moms are enjoying a morning of rest and relaxation, children are being cared for in a loving environment called MOPPETS. They are divided into age appropriate groups and are involved in planned activities such as games, stories, crafts, music, and physical play.

If you would like to volunteer in our MOPPETS classrooms, please contact Kris at 522-3432 or Gwen at 355-0747.



What is MOPS?

MOPS stands for Mothers of Preschoolers, an international non-denominational Christian organization that exists to encourage mothers with children aged newborn through kindergarten.

It is a place where moms have the opportunity to make new friends, laugh together, and learn trusted principles pertaining to womanhood, marriage, and parenting from a biblical perspective. MOPS also provides opportunities for social outings geared specifically for preschool aged children and their mothers.

For more information about MOPS international, go to www.mops.org.

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mothers of
MOPS
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2007-2008

"the HOME factor"



Is MOPS for me?

If you are a mom who...



Is pregnant or has a child aged newborn through kindergarten...



Enjoys making new friends...



Wants to share the joys and challenges of motherhood...



Is looking for opportunities for personal growth through trusted resources...

Then, **YES**, MOPS is definitely for you!

"What MOPS has provided for me is a welcome break; a chance to make new friends; the opportunity to know that I'm not the only woman who goes through the struggles and joys of raising young children."

- MOPS Member

The Home Factor

This year's theme is "the HOME factor: BEGIN HERE...GO THERE." In our homes during childhood, many of us learned the deepest lessons about relationships, developed life routines and acquired our tastes and preferences. And now, as moms, we long to create homes where our families can thrive and grow — and we can too.

We will explore how our homes are a place where we bond, cocoon and build inwardly, and a place where we refuel so that we can live fully in the world beyond.



Where & when is MOPS?

MOPS meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Baraboo from 9:00-11:00 am, September to May.

What is the cost?

Your annual \$50 membership fee* includes:

- Meetings, speakers & crafts
- MOMSense magazine
- MOM E-mail
- Children's DVD
- Quality childcare (MOPPETS)
- Playgroups on the Thursdays MOPS does not meet

* Cost of additional fieldtrips not included.

* Scholarships are available for membership fees, please contact us for details.

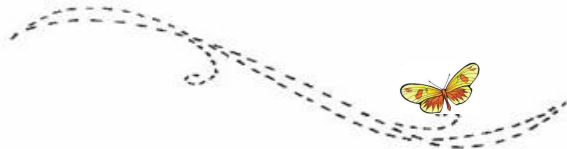
How do I join?

Pre-Registration will be held from 9-11am at the following locations:

- August 16 Prairie du Sac, Marion Park
- August 23 Baraboo, Max J. Hill Park
- August 30 Reedsburg, Webb Park

Newcomers are welcome to join any time of the year. Membership fees are prorated.

Your first visit is free!



2007-2008 Schedule

(All dates and topics subject to change – check website for updates)

MNM – Mommy 'n Me Field Trips
MNO – Mom's Night Out

FO – Family Outing
CO – Couple's Outing

Meeting time: 9 – 11am

Date	Topic	Craft / Outing
Sept 6	"Make Yourself at Home"	Life Maps
20	"Let's Talk Books" (Speaker from the Library)	Bookmarks
27	Bees & Baskets	MNM
Oct 4	"Building Your Foundation" (Speaker on Spiritual Gifts)	Decorative Journals
7	Family Picnic	FO
18	"Make Room in Your Heart" (Outreach Project)	~
Nov 1	"My Bathtub is Overflowing, But I Still Feed Drained!" (Book Discussion)	Altering Candles
15	"Building Family Traditions" (Speaker on Rituals & Traditions)	Frames
17	Holiday Open House	FO
Dec 6	"Blueprint for Healthy Eating" (Speaker on Nutrition)	Soup in a Jar
10	Christmas Party	MNO
20	"Home Sweet Home" (Speaker on Family Time)	~
Jan 3	"Getting Your Room in Order" (Speaker on Organization)	Clipboards
17	"Bringing Down the House" (Speaker on Joy & Laughter)	Paperbag Albums
Feb 7	"Honey, I'm Home" (Speaker on Love Languages)	Cardmaking
9	Comedy Club	CO
21	"House Rules" (Game Day)	Coaster Frames
23	KG and the Ranger	FO
Mar 6	"Greenhouses in Bloom" (Speaker on Gardening)	Flower Pots
13	Police Station	MNM
Apr 3	"The Broken Pieces in Your Closet" (Speaker on Grief & Loss)	~
17	"Going Green, Practically" (Speaker on Environmentalism)	Enviro-Safe Home Products
24	Peck's Farm Visit	MNM
26	Walk America 2008	Outreach
May 1	"Finding Your Wiggle Room" (Belly Dancing!)	~
9	Dinner & A Movie	MNO
15	"Home At Last" (Graduation Day)	~