

Good morning and welcome to services! We had a great promotion day last week in our Bible classes. If you are not attending Bible class we hope you will make it a point to be in class soon. We are digging deep into God's word and growing each week. We hope everyone stays for today's dinner! It should be a great time of fellowship. It's a busy day today as we resume Bible Hour. Please be reminded that there will also be a class for students in 5th through 7th grade. Please note that we will be visiting TruCare Nursing Home this Wednesday at 5:30 and will get a quick dinner together before Bible class. Hope everyone has a great week! DOUG

"Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

II Timothy 2:15 NKJV

A PRAYER WE ALL SHOULD PRAY

Dear Father, we are so grateful for the joy and strength that we have in Christ regardless of our struggles. Forgive us for our lack of faith as we place ourselves fully in Your hands. Make us overcomers. Help those who are hurting. We ask this in the name of Christ, our Strength. Amen.

CAN YOU FIND 16 BOOKS OF THE BIBLE?

I once made a remark about the hidden books of the Bible? It was a lulu. Kept people looking so hard for facts and for others it was a revelation. Some were in a jam, especially since the names of the books were not capitalized, but the truth finally struck home to numbers of leaders. To others, it was a real job. We want it to be a most fascinating few moments for you. Yes, there will be some really easy ones to spot. Others may require judges to help them. I will quickly admit it usually takes a minister to find one of them and there will be loud lamentations when it is found. A little lady says she brews a cup of tea, so she can concentrate better. See how well you can compete. Relax now, for there are really sixteen names of books of the Bible in this story. **List them below.**

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

Sun: 9:30 AM Class
 10:30 AM Worship
 6:00 PM Evening
 Wed: 7:00 PM

“As A Thief In The Night”

"For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night" (1 Thessalonians 5:2). A thief does not call you on the phone and tell you that he is going to rob you tonight. When he robs you, you wake up in the night and he is there. The same will be with the appearance of the Lord at His second coming. No one knows when our Lord will come again. It will be a total surprise. Jesus says, "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of Heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father" (Mark 13:32). When our Lord comes, it will happen in a split second. "In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed" (1 Corinthians 15:52). We must constantly be prepared for the Lord's coming again. We will not have any time to get ready or change after He does come. "Therefore if you will not watch, I will come upon you as a thief, and you will not know what hour I will come upon you" (Revelation 3:3). We must be ready now. "Behold, I am coming as a thief. Blessed is he who watches, and keeps his garments, lest he walk naked and they see his shame" (Revelation 16:15). "Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect" (Matthew 24:44). Our Lord's coming will be a great and wonderful day for those who are prepared, but for those who are not prepared it will be horrible and beyond description (Revelation 1:7). DAN

Fellowship Luncheon Today Following Worship. Bible School Promotion Goes Smoothly.

From Dan's desk:



The month of September has arrived and it could not come too quickly for those of us who have been battling the Summer heat. Meteorologists state that this is one of the hottest summers we have experienced. They also say that this last summer is the hottest the earth has ever been. As Christians, we know that it will get a lot hotter based on what Jesus taught. Peter the Apostle stated that the "earth and the works that are therein will be burned up and dissolved", in other words "you ain't seen nothing yet". We are grateful to God for the brief reprieve from the heat. All Bible school classes saw new faces at they all promoted. The transition went smoothly and we are so grateful and encouraged by our youth and the wonderful Bible school teachers who do an excellent job in presenting God's Word each Sunday and Wednesday evening. Please be reminded that the Annual back to school fellowship luncheon will take place today after the morning worship service. It is always a blessing to be with each other and enjoy the delicious food prepared by those in the congregation. Please plan to stay. You will be blessed. Continue to pray for the families of those who have suffered death in their families. We have had several recently. Thanks to our visitors for coming today. We hope to see you all tonight at 6 P.M.

DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

LANOVA MITCHELL suffered a fall at her home injuring her knee. She is improving following hospital treatment.

BRYCE STEWART, nephew of Virginia Stanaland and Doug Lowe has brain cancer.

CECIL STANALAND will have back surgery on Tuesday in Jacksonville. Those that have been ill with Covid-19 are all improving.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

The Ladies Bible Class will resume this Tuesday morning here at the building. All the ladies are invited to attend. Please plan to join us at 9:30 A.M. for class. Our thanks to all the ladies who help encourage this class by attending and giving your support. Thanks to Cheryl Ellis for teaching the class during the summer months.

CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations to **CHLOE COLLINS** who graduated from Trinity Valley Community College this last week with an Associate in Science degree. We are happy for her upon this achievement in her life.

We Must Give Our Best To The Lord

God expects our best to be offered to Him and not our leftovers. God is asking the Jews in Malachi 1:8, "And when you offer the blind as a sacrifice, is it not evil? And when you offer the lame and sick, is it not evil?" It is also evil and sinful when we don't give our best to God. In the Old Testament, God commanded the Jews to give to Him "the first-fruits of your harvest" (Leviticus 23:10). God demands our best be given to Him today. We are to "present your bodies as a living sacrifice" to the Lord (Romans 12:1). We are to "seek first the kingdom of God" (Matthew 6:33), and "Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth" (Colossians 3:2), if we expect to go to heaven. If our treasure is in heaven, "there will your heart be also" (Matthew 6:21). But when we have given our best to the Lord, we haven't earned our salvation. Jesus says, "So likewise you, when you have done all those things which you are commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants. We have done what was our duty to do'" (Luke 17:10). We can never do too much for the Lord, but we can do too little. **SELECTED**

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Please be reminded that we will have a fellowship luncheon *this morning* following the morning worship service. Please stay and invite visitors seated next to you today.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER
September 10th

Cecil Stanaland will have back surgery this Tuesday in Jacksonville, Texas.
Lanova Mitchell is recovering from a fall at her home injuring her knee. She is better.

Rick Giles has prostate cancer and has started radiation treatment.

Doug Sumrall is still undergoing treatment in Tyler.

Kenneth and Ann Holland both continue to have issues with COPD and eye issues.

Dale Sparks undergoing tests for dizziness.

Mark Thornton, brother of Cindy Thornton, had hip replacement and is recovering

Ed Compton is recovering from hip surgery at home. .

Jerry Sturgess prayers in the death of Gwynetta.

Alexis Wright daughter of Kristi Brunson Wright is better and at home recovering.

Jo Ann Morton, sister of Jane Davis is in Christus Mother Francis Hosp. in serious condition.

Ann Tillman niece of Mary Stech is having copd problems and asked for our prayers.

Gerald Wilcher and Diane Wilcher both continue to have health issues.

James, Angela and Anthony Birdow. All have health issues and need prayers.

Bob Monroe former member has prostate cancer and is undergoing treatment.

Trent Barrett, son of Pat Barrett is recovering from an accident.

Angela Buddin , niece of the Cartwrights, has a brain tumor and having health issues.

Shelia Thompson's granddaughter, Kymber (10 months old) cancer family request our prayers.

Becky Barnes' great grandson had a bone marrow transplant. He is under observation.

Bob Watts, Kimberly Hawkins uncle had been placed with Hospice care.

Tina Teetz, daughter-in-law of Pat Baird, is better.

Bryce Stewart, former member, is still undergoing tests and cancer treatment.

Deborah Hagemeyer (former member) has cancer and short time to live and they requests prayer.

Remember those in nursing homes and the homebound in your prayers.

Courtney Bell, Patsy Bush, Mary Chambless, Opalene Chapman, Mary Ann Colling, Ed and Kathleen Compton, Ruth Cox, Blackie Foreman, George Wooden, Sue Grubbs, Gerry Hahn, Bobby Johnson, Jessie Kraus, George Lester, Joyce Matlock, Annie Lee Birdow, Lanova Mitchell, David Mitchell, John Mottern, Lorelee Reeder, Martha Sims,

Monty Todd, Marlene Thompson, Gary and Emalie Tuschoff, Charlie Young, and Frances Lowe.

NOTE: We try to update the prayer list each week. When people are improving and doing better we remove their names and add new ones who have asked to be on the list. We need those of you who are acquainted with those on the prayer list to let us know when they are improving. please notify us in the church office. THE ELDERS