

REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CHURCH

Sunday 10:00 am.....Bible Classes
 11:00 am.....Worship
 5:00 pm.....Worship
 Wed. 7:00 pm.....Bible Classes

WELCOME, VISITORS!

We are so glad you are here. If this is your first time with us, here’s what to expect. We seek to worship according to the New Testament pattern. As a result, we **sing** without the accompaniment of mechanical musical instruments (Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16). We have a weekly observe the **Lord’s Supper** (cf. Acts 20:7) which consists of unleavened bread and fruit of the vine (Matt. 26:26-29). This memorial is designed for those who have been baptized for the remission of sins to partake (Acts 2:38, 42). There will also be an **offering** collected from our members (1 Cor. 16:1-2). As our guest, you are not expected to make a donation. Feel perfectly comfortable passing the collection plate down the row. You will also hear the **preaching** of a Bible-centered message (Acts 20:7) and men leading the congregation in **prayer** (1 Tim. 2:8). We think you will find our worship meaningful and refreshing as we strive to do it in spirit and in truth (John 4:24). We encourage you to observe carefully and stay a while afterwards so that we can get to know you better and answer any questions you may have.

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ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTION RECORDS

	2019 Goals	Last Week	1 yr ago
Bible Study	60	43	45
Sun AM	80	52	62
Sun PM	40	32	31
Wed	45	36	32
Contribution	1950	1308	1921

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I asked God for strength that I might achieve,
 I was made weak that I might learn humbly to obey.

I asked for health that I might do great things.
 I was given infirmity that I might do better things.

I asked for riches that I might be happy.
 I was given poverty that I might be wise.

I asked for power that I might that I might have the praise of men.
 I was given weakness that I might feel the need of God.

I asked for all things that I might enjoy life.
 I was given life that I might enjoy all things.

I got nothing that I asked for – but everything that I had hoped for.
 Almost despite myself, my unspoken prayers were answered.

I am, among all men, most richly blessed.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer List * Paxton Bloyd * Debbie Bradshaw (lymphoma) * Lula Cheatham * Sharon Cornett * Riley Decker (leukemia) * Matthew Edwards (cancer) * Britany Harden * Willard Holliday * Amanda Jewell (mitral valve stenosis) * Wilma Landis (cancer) * Eli Marcom (brain tumor) * Kenny Perkins * Kara Reed (cystic fibrosis) * Ancil Reynolds * Teresa Yates (cancer)

Medical Updates

- * **Maurice Cheatham** is scheduled to have an MRI on Tue.
- * **Wayne Eastridge** continue to have low blood volume issues.
- * **Janet Farmer**, Paula Bault's cousin, is having heart issues.
- * **Tom Doss**, Steve Doss' father, had a mass found in his colon recently. Further testing is being done.
- * **Richard Harden** continues his therapy at the hospital in Greensburg.

Ladies Service Night - The ladies of the church are asked to meet here at the church building tomorrow, Apr. 22 at 6:30 p.m. for some sprucing up of the place prior to our Friends and Family Day.

Cancer Center Basket - It's time again to bring goodies for the Cancer Center basket. Small packaged snack foods or candy are fine.

Pick Up Your Change Can and Help Out - Potter Children's Home has left change cans for us to fill up. They are due back in by Sept. 22.

Mark the Dates

- * **May 5** is our **Spring Friends and Family Day**. The theme will be on the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus and what it means to us. Fliers and cards have been made up for you to hand/post/send out.
- * Our **VBS** will be on Sat., **June 22**. The following Sunday's evening services will be at the tailwaters at Green River Lake.
- * We will be taking a church wide-trip to the **Creation Museum** on Sat., **July 13**. More details will be given as the date gets closer.

Anniversaries This Week - Vernon & Sharon Cornett (Apr. 25)

Birthdays This Week - Reilly Wells (Apr. 25)

Man's Ways Vs. God's Ways

James and John, brothers, were called by Jesus to be His apostles (Matt. 4:20-21). Mark 3:17 notes of them that Jesus gave them the name "Boanerges, that is, Sons of Thunder." Some commentators speculate that this name was given because of their fervor for the Lord and His gospel, while others hypothesize that it was due to their temper. One incident that may support the latter was a time when Jesus and His apostles entered a certain Samaritan village and they did not "receive" Jesus. This upset James and John to the point that they offered to rain fire down from heaven and consume the unbelievers (Luke 9:51-54). The two brothers were willing to sacrifice the lives of the villagers in order to further the cause of the gospel. Of course, Jesus rebuked them and told them "no" (Luke 9:55-56).

Now fast forward to Acts 8, several years in the future. Jesus has already died on the cross, risen from the dead, and ascended into heaven. The church had begun in Jerusalem and had spread throughout the region. Philip the evangelist has taken the gospel to Samaria (Acts 8:5) and has converted many to Christ (Acts 8:12). Upon hearing this, the apostles in Jerusalem decide to send Peter and John to Samaria (Acts 8:14) to dispense the power of the Holy Spirit. John, who had once been willing to destroy the Samaritans, was now sent because they were obeying the gospel!

How differently men and God view matters! God's purpose had not been to destroy those people as John once desired, but to save them. God chose not to rain down fire on the village, but to shower it with His Holy Spirit. What must have gone through John's mind as he possibly saw some of the same people whom he had once been ready to destroy, now rejoicing in their salvation! How grateful he must have been that Jesus had prevented him from carrying out his plans!

What an enormous contrast between man's thinking and God's! Man's thinking would have resulted in the destruction of an entire village. God's plan brought salvation to the entire land. Let us always remember that people will always benefit from God's ways. Let us always try to view people through the lens of the Bible and what God wants for them. Let us learn to be patient with people, knowing that God's ways are always best!