# Sharing Cur Faith

The 'HE SHALL BE CALLED' sermon series will resume September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Meanwhile, I will feature in my bulletin articles a few of the other names & titles of Jesus that will not be covered in the sermon series.

The prophet says in Isaiah 12:2-3 Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid; 'For Yah, the Lord, is my **STRENGTH AND SONG**; He also

has become my salvation.' Therefore with joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

It has been said, 'Unhappy Christians are, to say the least, a poor recommendation for the Christian faith.'

It isn't possible to be happy all the time, and even Jesus Himself wept (John 11:35) but there's never a time when we should lose the joy of the Lord or find ourselves unable to exalt in our God.

After all, the word 'rejoice' appears 287 times in the Bible and the word 'joy' occurs another 181 times. While the shortest verse in our English Bible is "Jesus wept", the actual shortest verse in the original Greek is I Thessalonians 5:16 "REJOICE ALWAYS". Paul noted this apparent contradiction when he described himself as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing (II Corinthians 6:10).

In short, Jesus is OUR STRENGTH AND OUR SONG. He is our salvation as we draw living water from the well of salvation, with joy!

We shout with joy, "He shall be called OUR STRENGTH AND SONG." He puts the song in our hearts! Let's echo the words of the prophet and focus our joy on Jesus!

> ~Michael Cox 501/545.1525 • preachermichaelcox@gmail.com

#### 10:15 AM Order of Worship

Welcome/Prayer.....Donnie Pogue, Jr. Song Leader.....Clayton Wells

R#202-"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" R#230 - "Worthy Art Thou"

Prayer......Mark Livingston

R#319 - "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone?"

Scripture Reading/Prayer Tim Wiemer / Corben Nickolson COMMUNION

B#100 - "He Will Pilot Me"

Scripture Reading......Michael Cox Sermon.....Tyler Lundy

> "Create in me a Clean Heart" Psalm 51:10-12

R#666 - "I Am Thine, O Lord" R#238 - "You Are the Song That I Sing"

Prayer......Alan Dishongh B=Brown Book # R=Red Book # SC=Screen

6:00 PM Order of Worship

Welcome/Prayer.....Donnie Pogue, Jr. Song Leader.....Clayton Wells

R#43-"All Things Praise Thee" R#807-"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

Prayer......Matt McKee

R#366 - "By Christ Redeemed"

Scripture Reading/Prayer

Tim Wiemer / Corben Nickolson COMMUNION

R#390 - "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Scripture Reading......Michael Cox

Sermon.....Billy Hayes

"Psalm 26 –Being Savior Centered" Psalm 26:1-2

## Martha Dean

AUGUST ELDER / DEACON: ALAN DISHONGH / DREW HUDGENS

BAPTISMAL ASSISTANTS: Pam Shelton & Malissa Schuler

Children's 9:00 AM BIBLE CLASSES:

9th - 12th - MPB **Billy Hayes / Tim Wiemer** 

> 7th/8th -room#113 **Mark Livingston**

> 5th/6th - room#115

Danny Griffith

1st -4th -room#114

**Heather Anderson** 

Kindergarten -room#108

**Christie Landrum** 

PreK 3-4 yrs. -room#107 Katé Hudgens

2 yrs. -room#105

Lynn Dishongh

3-18 months. -room#106

11.....August 13,

Adult class - Auditorium



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Psaim 26 –Being Savior Centered Psalm 26:1-2	Our Record: 08/6/2023
	9:00 AM Bible Class110
R#916 - "What a Day That Will Be" R#429 - "Oh, to Be Like Thee"	10:15 AM Worship202
R#429 - "Oh, to Be Like Thee"	PM Worship124
	Wednesday Bible Class112
PrayerAlan Dishongh	Contribution\$9,698.77

~Hearing Assistance Available~ Please ask for a receiver from the sound room

# 70 West church of Christ Welcomes you!

"For He is not a man, as I am, That I may answer Him, And that we should go to court together. 33 Nor is there any mediator between us, Who may lay his hand on us both. Job 9:32-33

### Adult's 9:00 AM BIBLE CLASSES:

"GENESIS: New Beginnings" -Michael Cox

Adult class - Room#112/Library "First Principles" -Carl Johnson

Adult Class -Room#118" "The Church & Christianity from the



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## **The Body of Christ**

What is the body of Christ? This thought is not being directed at the literal physical body of Jesus Christ, but rather the body of Christ that was established on the day of Pentecost. The body of Christ is the church as Paul explains to us in Eph. 1:22–23 KJV "And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all."

The body of Christ is the church of Christ which Jesus Christ bought with His blood. Knowing that there is a body means that there is also a head to the body. If the body is Christ's body, then that means by process of elimination Jesus Christ is the head of the church. We can also make that deduction when we go to scripture and read Col. 1:18 KJV "And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence." It also says that fact in Eph. 1:22-23 as well as in Eph. 5:23 KJV "For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body."

Now that we have an understanding of what the body of Christ is and who is over the church, what does it mean to be a part of the body of Christ? What does it mean to be a member of the church of Christ? It means that as a member of the body of Christ, we care for one another. (1 Cor. 12:25–26 KJV) "That there should be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another. And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honored, all the members rejoice with it."

The things that we go through in everyday life do not only affect us, but they should also affect other Christians. Whether someone triumphs or falls, we should be there beside them to show one another that we care; that they matter to us; that we are not alone in the things they are going through whether it is day-to-day struggles or temptations (Gal. 6:2, 1 Cor. 10:13). We are not the only ones that are going through those trials, and we can help one another through those things.

Being a part of the body of Christ does mean that we cannot live like the world and do what we want. It does mean that we need to serve God! We have rules we must follow, roles we must fill, people we must teach, and struggles we must endure! Being part of the body of Christ means that our lives will not be easy, but the reward will be much greater at the end of this life (Mat. 5:5-12). We get to love one another as God loves us (John 13:34; 15:12, 17). We get to strengthen one another to contend for the faith (Jude 3). We get to see each other grow as we strive to further the kingdom of God.

We get to teach others that Jesus did not die in vain for us, but that we are striving to do what He has commanded us to do which is serve God because of the hope we have in Him and the promises He has made to His people. Let's ask this question: "What do you want to be when you grow up?" If the answer is anything but a Christian, a change needs to happen. Let's do our best to help the body of Christ grow!

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# Involve Yourself, Contribute, Take Part, Share...

BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE: facebook.com/airportroad

**Every morning @7AM, Monday-Saturday** - 'Fundamentals of the Faith -an online Bible study with Michael Cox

**Every evening @9PM, Monday-Saturday** - 'Bible Investigation' -an online Bible study with Michael Cox

#### **TUESDAY, AUGUST 15**

Tuesday Ladies' Visitation ● 11:30am ● MPB ● Bring your lunch!

#### **AUGUST 16-24**

#### **TUESDAY, AUGUST 22**

◆ TUESDAY LADIES' VISITATION • 11:30am • MPB • Bring your lunch!

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

◆ TUESDAY LADIES' VISITATION • 11:30am • MPB • Bring your lunch!

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Tuesday Ladies' September Birthday Lunch ●11:30am

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

LADIES' DIGGING DEEP BIBLE STUDY ● 6pm ● MPB ● Bring Snacks!
 (Please see or text Kate Hudgens if you want a new 'DD' study book-\$17.50)

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

#### MEMBERS

Janice Archer
Pauline Crenshaw
Ola Freibolt
Louise Honeycutt
Tina Jeffcoat
Alvena Jones
Walton Kyle
Carla March
Zandra Mendenhall
Mark Myers
Glenda Pannell
Karen Pate
Leslie Pate
Wes/Sue Poole
Stuart Reeves
Carolyn Scott
Freddie Sharpe
Paul Wallace
Ken/Donna Wedsted

- Hayes, Emma –Outpatient knee surgery @NPMC, 7/17 -lengthy rehabilitation process
- Jones, Alvena –Neuro block on 7/24
   @the Pain Treatment Ctr worked for 5 days, headaches returned –follow up on 8/9
- ♦ Parker, Charles-Is home with covid
- Parker, Virginia-in CHI St. Vincent's in very serious condition due to her poor lung condition
   – she is in isolation with covid/pneumonia & flu-NO VISITORS PLEASE
- Pendleberry, David –fell & fractured left hip. Surgery 8/11, CHI St.
   Vincent's rm#521

#### FAMILY/FRIENDS BATTLING CANCER

June Beach●Don Berry●Robin Dahlman Linda Estes●Jenna Griffith●Karen Haywood Linda Herrington●Phyllis Madlen Nevaeh Newcomer●Steve Rynder●Gary Taylor Jane Taylor●Delorious Tolleson

Robinson, Mitzi (Heath Larner's sis)
 Has metastatic breast cancer that has spread to her lungs, lymph nodes & liver

#### SHUT-INS

Mike/Shirley Baka 

Norman/Joyce Bonde
Henry Cook Bill Crow LaVonne Depew
Marcelle Green 

Charlie Pate
David Pendleberry

#### **ALL MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS**

- Bernard, Heidi -GCSO/Investigator
- Crow, Jake, (Army) Fort Sill, OK
- \* Pianalto, Nick (Navy) Japan
- \* Schuler, Tommy (Army) Fort Jackson, SC
- \* Schuler, Tracy (Navy)
- \* Spellings, Randy (Army Nat'l Guard)
   Jackson, TN
- \* Vincent, Tyler (VF) Garland County
- Wethington, "A.J" Anthony (AF)
   Whitman AFB, MO
- Wells, Andrew GCPD/HSPD

#### FAMILY & FRIENDS

Ben Beach
David Blagg
Lori Blagg
Kalli Brashears
Gerry Brown
Alan Cook
Paula Crippen
Johnny Jay Davis
Tina Hill
Kim James
Kenneth Johnston
Beth McCollum
Adam McKee
Sam Palmer
Gaylon Ross
Lee Ratcliff
Barbara Sanders
Judy Straut
Gladys Taylor
Larry
Taylor
Trent Trooth
Sally Vitale
Kay Ward
Kim Weatherford
Michael Wedsted
Herbert White

- Hilton, Steve (H.Cook's friend) Has been given 3-6 weeks to live
- Hudson, Summer (K. Grisham's daughter) Hand surgery 8/10, home now doing well
- ◆ Ramos Family (Pianalto) Prayers
- Rubier, Michelle (S.Brooks' friend)
   Severe back pain
- Rutherford, Don (R. Rutherford's brother)
   Trying to meet criteria for heart pump & heart transplant-may take several months
- ◆ John (G. Pannell's brother) Heart attack 8/6, open heart surgery 8/11
   -all went well, doing great

#### MISSIONS (Matthew 28:18-20)

- ⇒ Kakinada, India-Ronnie Gootam
- ⇒ Nigeria -Chad Wagner
- ⇒ Pacific Islands -Randy English