

Sharing Our Faith

The sermon series, HE SHALL BE CALLED, will end later this month. Today's article features a name that will not be part of the sermon series, but it's a name of vast importance to me, THE CARPENTER'S SON (Matthew 13:54-55).



The name/title 'CARPENTER'S SON' takes me back to my humble roots. Jesus didn't grow up rich, famous, privilege, or special. He grew up as a CARPENTER'S SON, a run of the mill little boy in a common, everyday village, with few people around Him.

Like Jesus, I grew up away from the big city. Like Jesus, I grew up poor, working everyday with my father on a small farm. Jesus' earthly father, Joseph, apparently died at some point between Jesus' 12th and 30th birthday, and it is assumed that Jesus, being the oldest, took over the care of the family, most likely working hard each day to provide.

Through the eye of faith, I see Jesus' hands as rough and leathery. His skin is bronzed. His days are long. His craftsmanship superb. His accounts honest. I see the CARPENTER'S SON as someone anyone could and should be attracted to as soon as you meet Him.

The irony is there. The tools of His trade (hammer, nails, & wood) became the instruments of His death. Hammer and nail and wood – these implements Jesus possibly handled daily as He built perhaps furniture and such like. He used these tools to build things that lasted.

On the cross, these tools were used to erect something that would outlast the ages...His church.

The CARPENTER'S SON is not through with His work. It is comforting to me to know that He is working daily on me. To make me a better husband, father, grandfather, and Christian. I'm His construction project as He molds my heart to be more like Him. Don't be discouraged, Jesus isn't finished with me! Phil 1:6 "He who has begun a good work in you will complete it..."

~Michael Cox

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10:15 AM Order of Worship

Welcome/Prayer.....Tom Shelton
Song Leader.....Billy Hayes

SC - "We Will Glorify"
B#730 - "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
B#257 - "How Long Has It Been?"

Prayer.....Willie Butler

SC - "How Deep the Father's Love"

Scripture Reading/Prayer
Carl Johnson / Mark Livingston

COMMUNION

R#525 - "He Knows Just What I Need"
SC - "Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

Scripture Reading.....Corben Nickolson
Sermon.....Michael Cox

"HE SHALL BE CALLED
the Judge of the Living & the Dead"
Acts 10:48

B#538 - "Prepare to Meet Thy God"
SC - "Hosanna"

Prayer.....Donnie Pogue, Jr.

B=Brown Book R=Red Book SC=Screen

6:00 PM Order of Worship

Welcome/Prayer.....Tom Shelton
Song Leader.....Billy Hayes

B#610 - "Take My Hand, Precious Lord"
SC - "Break My Heart"
SC - "In Need"

Prayer.....Charles Hunt

R#18 - "Faithful Love"

Scripture Reading/Prayer
Carl Johnson / Mark Livingston

COMMUNION

B#785 - "Wonderful City of God"
SC - "He Paid a Debt"

Scripture Reading.....Corben Nickolson
Sermon.....Michael Cox

"HE SHALL BE CALLED
the Judge of the Living & the Dead"
Acts 10:48

R#911 - "Bring Christ Your Broken Life"
R#865 - "No Tears Up There"

Prayer.....Donnie Pogue, Jr.

OCTOBER ELDER / DEACON:
DONNIE POGUE, JR. / CHRIS NICKOLSON

BAPTISMAL ASSISTANTS:
Lynn Dishongh & Kim Nickolson

Children's 9:00 AM BIBLE CLASSES:

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

5th -8th –room#113
Danny Griffith

1st -4th –room#114
Willie Butler

Kindergarten –room#108
Diana Ward

PreK 3-4 yrs. –room#107
Lynn Dishongh

18 mo.-2 yrs. –room#105
Barbara Wells

3-18 months. -room#106
Martha Dean

Adult's 9:00 AM BIBLE CLASSES:

Adult class - Auditorium
"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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Our Record: 10/1/2023

9:00 AM Bible Class.....153
10:15 AM Worship.....247
PM Worship.....131
Wednesday Bible Class.....105
Contribution.....\$8,963.77

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church of Christ
Welcomes you!

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Many peoples will come and say,
"Come, let us go up to the mountain of
the LORD, to the temple of the
God of Jacob.

He will teach us his ways,
so that we may walk in his paths."

The law will go out from Zion,
the word of the LORD from
Jerusalem.

Isaiah 2:3

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November 3-5, 2023

with Caleb Rutherford



The church and city of Philadelphia

The city of Philadelphia is 25 to 30 miles southeast of Sardis. It is on a plateau extending from The north slopes of the Timolus/Boz Mountains toward the Hermus River, today called Gediz but along this specific stretch, Cogamis. They city was established in the second century B.C. and it was named in honor of the brother of Attalus II, king of Eumenes. The king loved his brother very much and thus one has the city of "brotherly love" or "Philadelphia."

The city stood as a type of crossroads on the Imperial Post Road where the borders of three countries met. They were Lydia, Mysia, and Phrygia. It was the gateway to the East and stood on one of the greatest highways in the world which led from Europe to the East .

History (Secular and Religious):

The city, along with eleven others, was destroyed in 17 A.D. And like Sardis, it was rebuilt with help from Tiberius. It was situated on a broad plain 800 feet in height that sloped gently upward from the valley. This favorable physical terrain provided Philadelphia with good military fortifications. Philadelphia called itself Flavia in honor of the emperor. Its final destruction came at the hands of the Turk and Byzantine armies in the 14th century.

As with most of these Asian churches, we have a disappointingly small amount of information about the origin of the church at Philadelphia. In that great part of Asia Minor came under the dynamic influence of Paul's Ephesian ministry, and from Ephesus the Word went out into many adjacent cities, it is proper to assume that Philadelphia owes its origin to that period. It was apparently established as a radiating center for Greek culture in Asia, and in this role it was successful.

Culture (Business):

Located near where Lydia, Mysia and Phrygia met and on an important highway which made it a commercial success, it was established to spread Greek culture throughout that entire area.

The city had three things it was primarily known for which are: It was called "Little Athens" because of the many temples and public buildings that were in it. One thing of note that is vital to the understanding of the things within the book of Revelation is, after Tiberius helped rebuild the city of Philadelphia, he helped it found a cult of Germanicus, the adopted son and heir of the emperor. This would later develop into the imperial cult. The city would be renamed "Neocoros", which means "warden of the temple". This is due to the city's close proximity to the temple. Therefore one can see the development of Emperor Worship in the city.

Two, due to the very good climate, it was known for its massive productions of grapes. Therefore, the commercial success of the city was great and it's reputation in the first century as being one of the wine producing hubs drew many worshipers of the Greek "god" Dionysus, the god of wine. Three, the city was known for its being in an "earthquake zone. This was one of the churches of Asia that were written by John in the book of revelation which is very important to know about when studying that church and the letter to them.

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

BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE: facebook.com/airportroad

Every weekday morning @7AM, Monday-Friday

'Fundamentals of the Faith -an online Bible study with Michael Cox

Every weekday evening @9PM, Monday-Friday

'Bible Investigation' -an online Bible study with Michael Cox

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10

- ♦ **TUESDAY LADIES' "THREADS OF COMPASSION" • 10:30am • MPB • Bring your Lunch!**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

- ♦ **BLAZE T-SHIRTS! LAST DAY TO SIGN-UP FOR T-SHIRTS IN FOYER**
- ♦ **'CAJUN' FELLOWSHIP POT-LUCK • 11:30am • MPB • Please bring your favorite Cajun Creations (or Crockpot Stews), Sides, Desserts, & Drinks!**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

- ♦ **TUESDAY LADIES' VISITATION • 11:30am • MPB • Bring your Lunch!**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

- ♦ **JR. YOUTH & TEEN DEVO (AGES 9 YRS OLD—TEENS) • 5:30pm • MPB • Bring your Bibles!**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

- ♦ **TUESDAY LADIES' VISITATION • 11:30am • MPB • Bring your Lunch!**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27

- ♦ **LADIES' DIGGING DEEP BIBLE STUDY • 6pm • MPB • Bring Snacks!**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31

- ♦ **TUESDAY LADIES' VISITATION • 11:30am • MPB • Bring your Lunch!**

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

JR. YOUTH & TEEN DEVO (AGES 9 YRS OLD—TEENS) • 5:30pm • MPB

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3

- ♦ **BLAZE 2023 'UNDER CONSTRUCTION' • 6-9:30pm • Auditorium/MPB**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4

- ♦ **BLAZE 2023 'UNDER CONSTRUCTION' • 8am-8pm • Auditorium/MPB**



PRAYER REQUESTS

SYMPATHIES EXTENDED TO

The Tyler & Plant Families, Luke Tyler passed away on Wednesday, October 4th.

MEMBERS

Louise Honeycutt • Alvena Jones
Walton Kyle • Carla March
Zandra Mendenhall • Glenda Pannell
Karen Pate • Leslie Pate • Wes/Sue Poole
tuart Reeves • Carolyn Scott • Freddie Sharpe
Ken/Donna Wedsted

- ♦ Cook, Henry-Home now, cardioversion went well & heart is back in rhythm
- ♦ Mitchell, Linda -10/6 out-patient cholecystectomy went well, home now
- ♦ Wedsted, Donna -Condition seems to be slowly degrading. Tests pending

FAMILY/FRIENDS BATTLING CANCER

June Beach • Robin Dahlman • Jenna Griffith
Cindy Hayes • Phyllis Madlen
Nevaeh Newcomer • **Mitzi Robinson**
Carl Rutledge • **Ray Stansberry**

- ♦ **Berry, Don (S.Pipkins' brother) PET this wk to see if cancer has spread. Oncologist has suggested hospice care**
- ♦ Gilmore, Matt (McKee's friend) Cancer
- ♦ Tolleson, Delorious (John's mom) rushed to ER 10/3 w/multiple blood clots in the lungs. Sugery removed the clots, home on 10/6

SHUT-INS

Janice Archer • Mike/Shirley Baka
Norman/Joyce Bonde • Henry Cook • Bill Crow LaVonne Depew • Marcelle Green
Charlie Pate • David Pendleberry (in VA Rehab. LR)

BAPTISM ~Rejoice!

We have a new sister in Christ: **Susan McCurdy** was Baptized for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38) & added to the body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:12) on Sunday, October 1st

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

Jerry Crow • Sam Palmer • Don Rutherford
Barbara Sickels • Kay Ward
Michael Wedsted

- ♦ Dishongh, Zadine (Alan's mom) Health issues
- ♦ Evola, Mary (L.Dishongh's mom) Health issues
- ♦ **Golden, Linda -Tests, home now**
- ♦ **Job, Caleb/Kara (McCormick's friends) Baby born w/serious heart condition & will need surgery soon**
- ♦ Mike (Burn's neighbor's FIL) Doing much better & moved out of ICU
- ♦ Sanders, Barbara (K.Grisham's mom) In hospital in TX

MISSIONS (Matthew 28:18-20)

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