

Building Bridges

The college professor who described himself as an atheist but grew up attending his parents' home congregation has certainly put me to the test. For almost a year I have conducted a late night online study with this very intelligent but misguided man. The main topic of our study was my attempt to refute his original paper he emailed me, his '100 Reasons Why I Don't Believe Now in a God'. That study has made some progress as this past December he surprised me by saying that he now believes in God's existence plus he gave me permission to share our study with you, my 70 West family. His '100 Attacks Upon God' (for that's what I called it) has some very deep questions like:



- What makes you so sure that God exists at all – especially when you can't see, hear, or touch Him?
- How could a good God allow so much pain & suffering? Does He not care?
- Didn't evolution put God out of business? Science is all we need.
- Why would God send people He created to hell?
- Why trust the Bible since it has so many mistakes & contradictions?
- Wasn't Jesus just a good man? Why call Him the Son of God?
- Why is abortion wrong? It's a women's right.
- Why condemn homosexuality? People have a right.
- Why are Christians so judgmental?
- Churches are full of hypocrites. Prove me wrong.

Join me on Wednesdays beginning in March as I share this faith building study (at least for me it has been a major faith building experience & I hope it will be for you). **WHAT WE BELIEVE & WHY WE BELIEVE IT** will begin on Wednesday as soon as **GENESIS: NEW BEGINNINGS** wraps up.

As a way to encourage Wednesday night attendance, there will be **BONUS MATERIAL** given out, but only to those in attendance on Wednesdays. There will also be a notebook given to those in attendance. Be looking for the new Wednesday class, **WHAT WE BELIEVE & WHY WE BELIEVE IT**, coming in March.

Speaking of March, the new class of **BUILDING BRIDGES Basic Course** will begin March 3rd. You must signup in the foyer to guarantee you will receive a notebook for this class.

~Michael Cox

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10:15 AM Order of Worship

Welcome/Prayer.....Matt McKee
Song Leader.....Billy Hayes

SC-"We Will Glorify"
B#660 -"There Is a Habitation"
B#716-"Walking Alone at Eve"

Prayer.....Andy McCormick

SC-"How Deep the Father's Love"

Scripture Reading/Prayer
Tim Togami or Thomas Livingston

COMMUNION

R#716 -"Sing to Me of Heaven"
SC-"Ancient Words"
SC-"Listen to Our Hearts"

Scripture Reading.....Gaige Bernard
Sermon.....Michael Cox
"Phenomenal Power of Prayer-Daniel"
Daniel 6:10

B#538 -"Prepare to Meet Thy God"
SC-"Hosanna"
B#387 -"Lead Me to Some Some Soul Today"

Prayer.....Bob Cole

B=Brown Book ♪ R=Red Book ♪ SC=Screen

6:00 PM Order of Worship

Welcome/Prayer.....Matt McKee
Song Leader.....Clayton Wells

Prayer.....Luke Fader

Scripture Reading/Prayer
Tim Togami or Thomas Livingston

COMMUNION

Scripture Reading.....Gaige Bernard
Sermon.....Michael Cox
"Phenomenal Power of Prayer-Nehemiah"
Nehemiah 2:4-5

Prayer.....Bob Cole

FEBRUARY ELDER / DEACON:
BOB COLE / RICK PALMER
BAPTISMAL ASSISTANTS:
Rebekah Tolleson & Lynn Dishongh

Adult Bible Classes 9AM:

Auditorium
"Questions God Asks"-Billy Hayes

Room#118
"Building Bridges Advanced Course"
Michael Cox

Room#116
"History of the Church"
Andy McCormick

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

MPB-Downstairs
Young Professionals - Tim Togami

Children's 9AM BIBLE CLASSES:

9th - 12th - MPB
Tim Wiemer

5th -8th -room#113
Danny Griffith

1st -4th -room#114
Lisa Cox

Kindergarten -room#108
Kim Nickolson

PreK 3-4 yrs. -room#107
Jennifer Pogue

18 mo.-2 yrs. -room#105
Barbara Wells

3-18 months. -room#106
Martha Dean

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Our Record: 2/11/2024

9:00 AM Bible Class.....124
10:15 AM Worship.....192
PM Worship.....128
Wednesday Bible Class.....110
Contribution.....\$10,490.29

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70 West
church of Christ
Welcomes you!

*The sacrifice of the
wicked is an abomination
to the LORD. But the
prayer of the upright is
His delight.
Proverbs 15:8*



A Song on my Lips

We often sing this lyric: "I will cling to my Savior and never depart -I will joyfully journey each day. **With a song on my lips and a song in my heart**, That my sins have been taken away." Many times we get caught up in the idea that I want the musical side of the song to sound great. In doing this we sometimes overlook the wording. As faithful children of God we ought to live with a song on our lips and a song in our hearts. That is the express reason why I published certain song lyrics for a few weeks.

Why did you choose those songs preacher? Well, I choose those songs for a few reasons. Probably the biggest reason is to remind us about the Holy God we worship and serve. The last song was "Here I am to Worship". What a great song. Here, geographically speaking, our congregation gathers here 4 times a week to worship God. We also gather to encourage each other to stay strong and remain faithful unto the God who has saved me. What a great privilege given to us by God!

Notice the next word-I. My gathering with my brethren is personal. I am required to gather. What if no one else gathers? I am still obligated to gather and worship. The only person I can control is the one who saves me. The worship of God should be a deeply personal practice for us.

And then there is the word- am. Am is defined as the 1st person singular-present tense of be. If you caught the idea, it is that I am to be somewhere. Here I AM! Not only am I here; I am here for a specific purpose. I am here and all that I have is here. My heart, my soul, my mind, my intention, my desire is HERE!

The next phrase is – to worship. Worship is defined as an expression of reverence and adoration toward the Holy One. It is God's Word that tells us how He expects us to worship. Not just anything nor anyway is acceptable unto God as worship. Since God is the complete audience of worship and since He is the authority, we, as His servants, are obligated to worship God His way.

Today is the first day of the week. As we gather to worship let's remember some things. Our God is holy and mighty. He is our provider. Due to all those facts, let's give God everything we have in our worship unto to Him. **"Here I am to worship-Here I am to bow down-Here I am to say that You're my God. You're altogether lovely-Altogether worthy-Altogether wonderful to me."**

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Please Check-In on Lightpost & RSVP for events listed on Lightpost Calendar

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

TODAY! SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

♦ **L2L SPEECH & SONG LEADING PRACTICE**●4:30-5:30pm ●Room 118

♦ **L2L BIBLE BOWL PRACTICE**●7-8:30pm●MPB

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

♦ **TUESDAY LADIES' VISITATION** ●11am●MPB●Bring your lunch!

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

♦ **TEEN DEVO**●5:30-6:30pm●MPB

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

♦ **L2L SPEECH & SONG LEADING PRACTICE**●4:30-5:30pm ●Room 118

♦ **L2L BIBLE BOWL PRACTICE**●7-8:30pm●MPB

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

♦ **TUESDAY LADIES' VISITATION** ●11am●MPB●Bring your lunch

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

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

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

♦ **L2L SPEECH & SONG LEADING PRACTICE**●4:30-5:30pm ●Room 118

♦ **L2L BIBLE BOWL PRACTICE**●7-8:30pm●MPB

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

♦ **TUESDAY LADIES' BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON** ●11:30am

Camp Ida, Maud, TX

(If riding van - please sign-up in foyer)

Session 5 with Kevin Cauley & Steven Ford:

June 30-July 5

Immediately after Worship - Eat lunch or bring it with you - Van will leave MPB @12pm -Pay camp fees

when you register online @:

www.campida.org/session-five/

PRAYER REQUESTS

MEMBERS

Sherry Dale●Ola Freibolt●Sally Lingo

Walton Kyle●Carla March

Zandra Mendenhall●Glenda Pannell

Karen Pate●Leslie Pate●Stuart Reeves

Freddie Sharpe●Ken/Donna Wedsted

Ann White

- Gordon, Nancy-prayers for her health & diminishing eyesight & prayers for her husband, Roger in Benton
- Martin, Neil-Health
- Mount, Lorene -@CHI Encompass Rehab., Higdon Ferry, Rm#321-Visitors Welcomed!
- Watson, Roger-Cataract eye surgery 2/19. To have other eye done 2 wks. later

FAMILY/FRIENDS BATTLING CANCER

Nona Barton●June Beach●Elbert Bollinger

Matt Gilmore●Barbara Gross●Cindy Hayes

Kari Hulien●Phyllis Madlen●Daryll Malone

Nevaeh Newcomer●Mitzi Robinson

Cindi Flories Rossetti● Carl Rutledge

Ray Stansberry●Danna Rhodes

Charlene Thompson●Delorious Tolleson

Kerry Tuttle●Joe/Betty Varner

Bettie Lou White

- Dahlman, Robin (S.Reeves niece) long battle with cancer is coming to an end, her Dr.'s say that she might have 4 weeks (maybe less) of life left. She is in Alaska with her husband & children; 2 boys under 13 & her daughter who postponed a year of college to be with her
- Roth, Micah-undergoing breast cancer treatment over next few months
- Tuttle, Kerry-(T.Wierner's sis) Diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer
- Wall, David (A.Bonde's dad) diagnosed with Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma

SHUT-INS

Janice Archer●Craig Archer

Mike/Shirley Baka●Norman/Joyce Bonde

Henry Cook●Bill Crow●LaVonne Depew

Nancy Gordon●Marcelle Green

Robert Knight●Lorene Mount

Virginia Parker●David Pendleberry

Wes/Sue Poole

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, C (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

Paula Crippen●Jerry Crow●Linda Golden

Jenna Griffith●Sam Palmer●**Matthew Qualls**

Don Rutherford●Barbara Sanders

Judy Straut●Barbara Sickels●Harrel Walters

Kay Ward●Michael Wedsted

- **Francisco, Tonya (L.Pendleberry's friend) Several illnesses & needs total shoulder replacement**
- James, Kim (J.Garner's sister) Now in rehab.
- Morvant, Emily (Thomas' aunt) Diagnosed w/multiple myeloma
- Smith, John (E.Morvant's dad)Diagnosed w/CIDP- chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyneuropathy. He's a physical therapist & had to go on short term disability. He's having a lot of trouble getting around & in a lot of pain. He's getting infusions but they haven't helped yet. He's an elder at Westside church of Christ, Searcy

MISSIONS (Matthew 28:18-20)

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