

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.....Scott Griffith
Song Leader.....Nathan Bonde

R#989 - "Soon and Very Soon"
R#968 - "Oh, They Tell Me of a Home"

Prayer.....Jason Powell

R#342 - "We Saw Thee Not"

Scripture Reading/Prayer
Tim Togami or Thomas Livingston
COMMUNION

R#18 - "Faithful Love"

Scripture Reading.....Michael Cox
Sermon.....Billy Hayes

"Why is it so Hard?"
Romans 7:1-3

R#904 - "Have You Been to Jesus?"
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.....Scott Griffith
Song Leader.....Nathan Bonde

B#589 - "Sowing the Seed of the Kingdom"
B#619 - "Take Time to Be Holy"

Prayer.....Jim Pate

B#312 - "I'll Be a Friend to Jesus"

Scripture Reading/Prayer
Tim Togami or Thomas Livingston
COMMUNION

B#799 - "You Never Mentioned Him to Me"

Scripture Reading.....Michael Cox
Sermon.....Billy Hayes

Ephesians 2:19-20

B#95 - "Burdens Are Lifted at Calvary"
B#387 - "Lead Me to Some Some Soul Today"

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: 2/18/2024

9:00 AM Bible Class.....143
10:15 AM Worship.....238
PM Worship.....139
Wednesday Bible Class.....112
Contribution.....\$8,383.18

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



70 West
church of Christ
Welcomes you!

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*I have called upon
You, for You will
hear me, O God;
Incline Your ear to
me, and hear my
speech.*

Psalms 17:6

⇒ **2/29 Blessing our community by providing Breakfast for HABITAT for HUMANITY workers...Please see Michael Cox for details**

⇒ **'It's a Boy! Basket Shower in foyer' for Nick & Allie Atkin's baby boy, 'Miller Layn'. Registered @: babylist.com**

⇒ **ATTN ALL PUZZLERS: Puzzle Exchange to begin in Library. "Bring a Puzzle Take a Puzzle"**



What is Zeal?

We are commanded to be zealous, but what is zeal? We'd love to follow this directive of God, but we may not know exactly what it is. The Greek word used here is *zelos* (ζelos). Its meaning is to boil over; to be hot; fervor; passion.

Notice a few of these verses:

1. Commanded to be Zealous-

a. *Colossians 4:13, Titus 2:14, Revelation 3:19, Galatians 4:18, Ecclesiastes 9:10*

2. Biblical Examples of Zeal-

a. *Numbers 25:11-13, 27-29, Exodus 2:12, 11:8, Judges 6:11-32, John 1:41-46, Acts 22:3, Romans 16:1-2, Colossians 4:13*

3. Zeal Demonstrated-

a. *1 Kings 22:14, Isaiah 62:1, Acts 4:13, 18-21, Jude 3, 2 Peter 1:12*

4. Zeal without Knowledge-

a. *Romans 10:1-4, Acts 21:20, Philippians 3:6, Galatians 1:13, Philippians:15-18, 2 Samuel 21:2*

5. Practical guides for a Zealous life-

- a. *Long for, pursue and seek zeal*
- b. *Hunger and thirst for Christ like qualities*
- c. *Associate with zealous people- fervent elders, passionate preachers, godly teachers*
- d. *Study and pray for zeal.*

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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 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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

- ♦ TEEN DEVO●5:30-6:30pm●MPB
- ♦ L2L SPEECH & SONG LEADING PRACTICE●4:30-5:30pm ●Room 118
- ♦ L2L BIBLE BOWL PRACTICE●7-8:30pm●MPB

TUESDAY, MARCH 12

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

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

- ♦ L2L SPEECH & SONG LEADING PRACTICE●4:30-5:30pm ●Room 118
- ♦ L2L BIBLE BOWL PRACTICE●7-8:30pm●MPB

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

- ♦ TEEN DEVO●5:30-6:30pm●MPB

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

- ♦ WIDOWS/WIDOWER'S DINNER●5-8pm●MPB●Please RSVP on Lightpost

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

SYMPATHIES EXTENDED TO

Carlton & Pris Cormier, their daughter passed away some time ago but they only just learned about it this month, **Dana Kim Cormier Hall**, passed away June 10, 2020. She was married, (no children) she was 58 years & 5 weeks old

MEMBERS

- Sherry Dale●Ola Freibolt●Sally Lingo
- Walton Kyle●Carla March●Zandra Mendenhall
- Glenda Pannell●Karen Pate●Leslie Pate
- Stuart Reeves●Freddie Sharpe●Ann White
- Martin, Neil-Health
- Mount, Lorene -@CHI Encompass Rehab., Higdon Ferry, Rm#321-Scheduled to go home on 2/23. Visitors Welcomed!
- Watson, Roger-Cataract eye surgery 2/19. Other eye scheduled for 3/4
- Wedsted, Donna-She fell & broke the same hip (on 2/10)that she had broken in June of 2023. She had surgery on 2/15 & is still in the hospital. her potential release date is Monday, 2/19. This experience has greatly exacerbated all of the other health problems she has.
- Wireman, Patricia -Continued prayers as she continues to recover

FAMILY/FRIENDS BATTLING CANCER

- Nona Barton●June Beach●Elbert Bollinger
- Matt Gilmore●Cindy Hayes●Kari Hulien Phyllis
- Madlen●Darryl Malone●Nevaeh Newcomer
- Mitzi Robinson●Cindi Rossetti●Carl Rutledge
- 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
- Gross, Barbara-Cancer is shrinking
- 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
Lorene Mount●Virginia Parker
David Pendleberry●Wes/Sue Poole
Donna Wedsted

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●Tonya Francisco
- Jenna Griffith●Kim James●Sam Palmer
- Matthew Qualls●Don Rutherford
- Barbara Sanders●Judy Straut
- Barbara Sickels●Harrel Walters●Kay Ward
- Michael Wedsted
- Knight, Robert (friend of M. Cox) In hospice care @CHI St. Vincent's – recently restored to the church
- 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**