

**ONLINE CLASSES FOUND ON :**

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► **2-Minutes for Encouragement @7AM Daily;**

► **2-Minutes to a Better Family Life @7:07AM Daily;**

► **Bible Investigation @9PM Week Nights;**

► **MATTHEW: The Arrival of the King on Sat. @9AM**

► **PHILIPPIANS: Rejoice on Wed. @9AM**

This past week was filled with special milestones. Tuesday, August 12<sup>th</sup> I celebrated 46 years of being Lisa's husband. I'm a very fortunate man because I truly don't know why she said YES.

This past Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup> I saw the completion of 48-years of ministry and the start of my 49<sup>th</sup> year. In the past 48 years God has blessed me with the opportunity to baptize 1,094 precious souls and witness a countless number of restorations. All the glory goes to our great God!

Friday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> will be the completion of 8 wonderful years of serving the 70 West family. While I didn't actually move to Hot Springs until the later part of September 2017, I did work the first month here while living in a guest apartment.

Moving to Hot Springs and serving this great congregation has been a true blessing. Thank you for your encouragement, support, and most importantly your love & devotion to God. Please join me every Sunday night @9 for SUNDAY NIGHTS WITH MICHAEL as I answer some of the TOUGH QUESTIONS that have been posed to me during these past 48-years. This evening the question is: "Why don't I get more out of the worship service?"

Also, don't forget our new classes on the books of Matthew (Saturday morning) and Philippians (Wednesday morning) as well as our ongoing 2-minute classes on encouragement and family life, plus BIBLE INVESTIGATION. The study guides for MATTHEW & PHILIPPIANS are located by the fake palm tree in the back of the auditorium or you can have them emailed to you each week.

Now, as I close out all my online Bible classes, it is our hope, it is our wish, it is our prayer that we all live for Jesus 24/7...may God bless YOU!

*~Michael Cox*

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**10:15 AM Order of Worship**

Welcome/Prayer.....Carl Johnson  
Song Leader.....Thomas Livingston

**R#300 - "Praise Him! Praise Him!"**  
**R#47 - "Holy, Holy, Holy"**

Prayer.....Luke Fader

**SC - "Here I Am to Worship"**

**COMMUNION**

Scripture Reading & Prayer  
Tim Togami / Willie Butler

**R#662 - "We Have Heard the Joyful Sound"**

Scripture Reading.....Tim Wiemer  
Sermon.....Josh Romo

**"Conflict Resolution"**  
**Matthew 18:15-20**

**R#538 - "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"**  
**R#539 - "Higher Ground"**  
**B#387 - "Lead Me to Some Soul Today"**

Prayer.....Danny Griffith

**B=Brown Book ♪ R=Red Book ♪ SC=Screen**

**6:00 PM Order of Worship**

Welcome/Prayer.....Carl Johnson  
Song Leader.....Thomas Livingston

**R#147 - "I Stand Amazed"**  
**R#396 - "Follow Me"**

Prayer.....John Tolleson

**R#316 - "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"**

**COMMUNION**

Scripture Reading & Prayer  
Tim Togami / Willie Butler

**R#412 - "Jesus, Hold My Hand"**

Scripture Reading.....Tim Wiemer  
Sermon.....Josh Romo

**"On God's Time"**  
**Exodus 32:1-4**

**R#916 - "Trust and Obey"**  
**R#716 - "Sing to Me of Heaven"**  
**B#387 - "Lead Me to Some Soul Today"**

Prayer.....Danny Griffith

**AUGUST ELDERS / DEACONS**  
**DANNY GRIFFITH / LESSEL COLLIER**

**BAPTISMAL ASSISTANTS:**  
**Pam Shelton & Pennie Garner**

**Adult Bible Classes 9AM:**

**Auditorium**

"Up Close with Jesus"  
Michael Cox

**Room#118**

"History of the Church"  
-Andy McCormick

**Room#112/Library**

"First Principles"  
-Danny Griffith

**MPB-Downstairs**  
Young Professionals  
- Tim Togami

**Children's 9AM**  
**BIBLE CLASSES:**

**9th - 12th - MPB**  
Josh Romo

**5th -8th -room#113**  
Lessel Collier

**1st -4th -room#114**  
Heather Anderson

**3yrs -K -room#107**  
Lynn Dishongh &  
Kerry McCormick

**1-2 yrs -room#105**  
Barbara Wells &  
Autumn Wells

**3-18 months -room#106**  
Martha Dean

**Our Record: 8/10/2025**

9:00 AM Bible Class.....133  
10:15 AM Worship.....248  
PM Worship.....115  
Wednesday Bible Class.....109  
Contribution.....\$10,090.75

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



**70 West**  
**church of Christ**  
*Welcomes you!*

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**For** **Romans 6.23**  
**THE WAGES OF SIN** **is** **DEATH**  
**but** **The Gift of** **GOOD** **is** **ETERNAL LIFE**

**Please Check-In on Lightpost!**

**RSVP for events listed on Lightpost Calendar!**



# Jonah

The man Jonah is a mystery. First alluded to in 2 Kings 14:25, all that is recorded of him there is that he prophesied concerning the restoration of the “territory of Israel from the entrance of Hamath to the sea of the Arabah”; he was the son of Amittai and was from Gath Hepher. Nothing else is recorded of him until we get to the book which bears his name. That he was a real, historical person, there can be little doubt. Jonah would have lived and prophesied just before or during the reign of Jeroboam II circa 820 BC. As we turn to the book of Jonah, it seems that sometime after the

prophecy of the restoration of the territories of Israel, the Lord commissioned Jonah to go and deliver a message to Nineveh, a city of the Assyrians. Jonah’s task, as given in Jonah 1:2, was a simple one: “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against it...” It seems that he had no problem being God’s prophet so long as he, himself, liked the prophecy but when he did not agree with God or did not like God’s plan, he decided to remove himself from God’s service. Herein, is our introduction to the man, Jonah.

As Jonah fled “from the presence of the Lord,” we must not take that as he felt that he could get away from the presence of God. As a prophet of God, he knew better. But rather, Jonah sought to remove himself from God’s service and his responsibility of obedience to God’s words. Jonah’s plan was to go to Tarshish which would have most likely been Tartessus in Spain as the Phoenicians had a great trading partnership with that city (Clarke, Adam; e-Sword). Now, from there has been much debate as to whether the rest of the book is an allegory or whether it is actually factual. The difficulty that most have with the book being factual is a man surviving within the throat or belly of a fish (whether it be a whale or any other marine animal). However, let us not miss the fact that scripture (the wholly and holy inspired Word of God) states that the Lord Himself “prepared a great fish” to carry out this mission (Jonah 1:17). That verse alone should tell me that this fish, whatever type of fish or marine animal it may have been, was like no other fish before or since this episode. Think about what Jonah describes in 2:3-6; it seems that Jonah was able to see the bottom of the oceans from the belly of this fish. Having experienced all of this and seeing now what the Lord has allowed him to see and being reminded of the mercy of God, Jonah prays and the Lord forthwith causes His fish to vomit out Jonah on dry ground.

Now resolute to carry out his mission, Jonah goes to Nineveh and cries out against that great city as he had been originally commissioned. Nineveh repents, God relents, and Jonah vents.

While many lessons can be learned from Jonah, let us learn these three: 1) To remove oneself from the service of God is foolhardy. Just because we may try to remove ourselves from our God-given responsibilities does not mean that the responsibility is not still mine. 2) God’s Word is powerful. At the hearing of the preaching of Jonah, Nineveh repented and God did not destroy them. It would not be until 150 years later that Nineveh would be destroyed. 3) God’s ways are better than man’s ways. Jonah would have had this great city destroyed that included 120,000 innocent children but God would have the entirety of the population come to repentance (2 Peter 3:9). Let us all remember... be of service to our God and fellowman, that God’s Word is powerful, and adhere to the way of God and not man.

All Scripture references are from the New King James version unless otherwise noted.  
McClintock and Strong, *Cyclopedia of Biblical, Theological, and Ecclesiastical Literature*, Volume IV, p. 989, 1981.  
Clarke, Adam, e-Sword, *Adam Clarke’s Commentary on the Bible*, public domain.

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## TUESDAY, AUGUST 19

- ♦ TUESDAY LADIES’ VISITATION•11:30PM
- MPB •Bring a Lunch!

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 26

- ♦ TUESDAY LADIES’ VISITATION•11:30PM •MPB
- Bring a Lunch!

## Thursday, August 28

- ♦ Senior Game Day•1-5PM•MPB•Bring your favorite Games, Cards, Dominoes,...& Snacks!

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

- ♦ TUESDAY LADIES’ BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON•11:30PM•MPB•All Ladies’ Welcome to attend!•Place TBD

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

- ♦ LADIES’ DIGGING DEEP BIBLE STUDY•6PM•MPB•All Ladies’ Welcome to attend!•Bring a Snack!

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

- ♦ TUESDAY LADIES’ VISITATION•11:30PM•MPB•Bring a Lunch!

## Thursday, September 11

- ♦ Senior Game Day•1-5PM•MPB•Bring your favorite Games, Cards, Dominoes,...& Snacks!

## Friday, September 15

- ♦ PTP –Sevierville, TN

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

- ♦ TUESDAY LADIES’ VISITATION•11:30PM•MPB•Bring a Lunch!

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

- ♦ TUESDAY LADIES’ VISITATION•11:30PM•MPB•Bring a Lunch!



## Prayer Requests



### MEMBERS

Pauline Crenshaw•Ola Freibolt  
Debbie Frenzel•Bob Garner•Billie Gregory  
Jean Kazimier•Walton/Elaine Kyle  
Christie Landrum•Carla March  
Ricky/Zandra Mendenhall•Glenda Pannell  
Karen Pate•Leslie Pate•Stuart Reeves  
Freddie Sharpe•Neva Tharp•Diana Ward  
Patricia Wireman

- Cook, Henry –Home now
- Davis, Mary –Home now
- Grisham, Karin –Home now
- Johnston, Bob -Home now
- March, Carla –Home now
- White, Ann – Home now

### BATTLING CANCER

Jennifer Baker•Gabe Barnhart  
Andy Bennett•Jim Blagg•Nona Barton  
June Beach•Sherry Daniel  
Sheree Gallagher•Jack Haywood  
Pam Jackson•Alvena Jones•Sandy Land  
Brenda Lavender•Daryl Macon  
Phyllis Madlen•Eugene Pipkins  
Delorious Tolleson•Kenny Ward  
Bettie Lou White

### SHUT-INS

Craig Archer•Mike/Shirley Baka  
**Henry Cook**•LaVonne Depew  
Marcelle Green•Lorene Mount  
Charles/Virginia Parker•David Pendleberry  
Wes/Sue Poole•Pat Richens•Linda Woeppel

### ALL MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS

- \* Crow, Jake (Army) Fort Lewis, WA
- \* Schuler, Tommy (Army) Fort Johnson, LA
- \* Schuler, Tracy (Navy) Meridian, MS
- \* Spellings, Randy (Army Nat’l Guard) Jackson, TN
- \* Tombs, Levi (AF) Home now
- \* Vincent, Tyler (VF) Garland County
- \* Wethington, “A.J” Anthony (AF) Whitman AFB, MO
- \* Wells, Andrew & Madison-GCPD/HSPD

### FAMILY & FRIENDS

Kim Butler•Matt Coble•Courtland Palmer  
Breanna Dishongh•Jenna Duvall  
Paula Crippen•Cindy Cunningham  
**Becky McCombs**•Matthew Qualls  
Rhonda Rivers•Don Rutherford  
Barbara Sickels•John Smith•Judy Straut  
Bob Troutman•Harrel Walters•Kay Ward

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

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

*Rejoice always,  
Pray without ceasing,  
In everything Give Thanks;  
For this is the will of  
God in Christ Jesus  
For you.  
I Thessalonians 5.16-18*