

ONLINE CLASSES FOUND ON:
facebook.com/airportroad & **YOUTUBE**
 ► **SUNDAY NIGHTS w/MICHAEL @9PM**
 ► **PHILIPPIANS: REJOICE! -Wed.. @9AM** (last one airs 10/1)
 ► **MATTHEW: THE ARRIVAL OF THE KING -Sat.. @9AM**
 ► **ACTS: THEN & NOW -Wed.. @9AM**(Begins 10/8)
 ALL ▲ CLASSES FEATURE STUDY GUIDE - EMAILED EVERY 1-2 WKS
 ► **Bible Investigation @9PM Weeknights**
 ► **2-Minutes for Encouragement @7AM Daily**
 ► **2-Minutes to a Better Family Life @7:07AM Daily**

Jesus asked, "For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?" – Matthew 16:26



The question today from Jesus may be life's ultimate question. WHAT ARE YOU STRIVING TO GAIN FROM YOUR LIFE ON EARTH? Everyone has goals, even if they're as basic as surviving, finding work, and providing for loved ones. Many of us, however, are blessed with dreams and aspirations – higher purposes that drive us. These ambitions consume our time, energy, talents and resources.

Jesus' question in Matthew 16 asks you to reflect on what truly motivates you:

- **What gets you out of bed in the morning?**
- **What are your dreams and aspirations?**
- **What do you pour your energy into?**
- **Are your goals worthwhile?**

Jesus is often misunderstood as being anti-achievement, but nothing could be further from the truth. Jesus is deeply pro-achievement in what really matters. Some pursuits are fleeting & meaningless, while others have eternal significance.

Jesus' concern isn't about achievement in itself but about WHAT you are striving for. You can gain every material success and still lose at life. Jesus challenges you to aim higher and pursue ambitions that matter forever, a heavenly home.

I did not have the opportunity to finish out the Wednesday study on ACTS. I have moved that study online to Wednesday mornings. A free study guide is available and can be picked up by the fake palm tree in the rear of the auditorium or you can have it emailed to you every 7-10 days.

With the approaching winter months, our elders realized that some may have difficulty driving in the dark of Wednesday nights. An alternate Wednesday afternoon devotional service & Bible class will be offered if there is interest. PLEASE INFORM ME IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND.

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.....Tom Shelton
 Song Leader.....Thomas Livingston

R#121 - 'God Is Love'
R#543 - 'Wonderful Words of Life'

Prayer.....Willie Butler

R#337 - 'Hallelujah! What a Savior'

COMMUNION

Scripture Reading & Prayer
 Andy McCormick / Thomas Livingston

R#650 - 'Send the Light'

Scripture Reading.....Bryce Ellis
 Sermon.....Josh Romo

"I WANT TO GO TO HEAVEN BECAUSE..."
Titus 2:11-14

R#927 - 'Why Keep Jesus Waiting'
R#957 - 'This World Is Not My Home'
B#387 - 'Lead Me to Some Soul Today'

Prayer.....Tim Togami

B=Brown Book ♪ R=Red Book ♪ SC=Screen

6:00 PM Order of Worship

Welcome/Prayer.....Tom Shelton
 Song Leader.....Xander Collier

R#415 - 'Back Step I Take'
R#552 - 'Have Thine Own Way'

Prayer.....Charles Hunt

R#376 - "

COMMUNION

Scripture Reading & Prayer
 Andy McCormick / Thomas Livingston

R#480 - 'Love Lifted Me'

Scripture Reading.....Bryce Ellis
 Sermon.....Josh Romo

R#939 - 'There's a Great Day Coming'
B#387 - 'Lead Me to Some Soul Today'

Prayer.....Tim Togami

OCTOBER ELDERS / DEACONS
 TIM TOGAMI / DEREK LANDRUM

BAPTISMAL ASSISTANTS:
 Lynn Dishongh & Kim Nickolson

Adult Bible Classes 9AM:

Auditorium
 Michael Cox

Room#118
"History of the Church"
 -Andy McCormick

Room#112/Library
"First Principles"
 -Danny Griffith

MPB-1st floor
Young Professionals
 - Tim Togami

Children's 9AM BIBLE CLASSES:

MPB-2nd floor: 9th - 12th
 Josh Romo

Room#113: 5th -8th
 Mark Livingston

Room#114: 1st -4th
 Angela Livingston

Room#108: 4yrs -K
 Martha Dean

Room#107: 3yrs
 Christie Landrum

Room#105: 1-2 yrs
 Barbara Wells &
 Autumn Wells

Room#106: 3-18 months
Cradle Roll
 Barbara Pate

Our Record: 10/5/2025

9:00 AM Bible Class.....101
 10:15 AM Worship.....220
 PM Worship.....104
 Wednesday Bible Class.....104
 Contribution.....\$9,114.00

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



70 West
church of Christ
Welcomes you!

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— BE WISE —
 IN THE WAY YOU ACT TOWARD OUTSIDERS;
 MAKE THE MOST OF EVERY OPPORTUNITY.
 LET YOUR CONVERSATION BE ALWAYS FULL OF

GRACE
 SEASONED WITH SALT,
 SO THAT YOU MAY KNOW HOW TO ANSWER EVERYONE
-COLOSSIANS 4:5-6

Blaze 2025



IGNITE

November 7-9, 2025 • Gage Coldwater

HomeBuilders Pumpkin Painting: Saturday, October 25th
@7PM in MPB



Paint supplies, S'mores & Drinks
will be provided.
Please bring your own pumpkins
to paint.
All are Welcome to attend





LIGHT-SWITCH CHRISTIANITY

In the world of sports, there are players in any sport who are said to have a “light-switch” of sorts. These players are the one that never seem to put 100% effort into their game until they feel the need to do so or when it is most convenient for themselves. These players are different from the ones that seem to kick it into high gear when the pressure is on. These “light-switch” players just seem to “turn it on” when they can “show out” or when they might think they can better their own standing with a coach or for other selfish reasons.

Are we, as Christians, like that athlete that has a “light-switch” and only “turn it on” when we feel it will benefit us most? Or do we only live the Christian life when we come to services on Sundays? Or do we only make a show of being a Christian when other Christians can see how righteous we are? Or when we come upon adversity, do we clam up and keep our silence? If you answered YES to any of these questions, I ask you to take a closer look at your relationship with God. I ask you to “re-wire” yourself and get rid of the “light-switch” and be turned on to Christ at all times. During the course of this discussion, we will address three questions. 1.) Do you turn your “light-switches” on and off depending upon the situation? 2.) Does your Christianity depend upon your convenience? 3.) How are you wired? Do you have a switch or will your “wires” have to be cut to shut you down?

First of all, do you turn your “light-switch” on and off depending upon the situation? The “light-switch” Christians says, “I only have to be a ‘Christian’ while I am ‘at church’. When I walk through those doors I can be my own person and do whatever I want and as long as I’m at services next Sunday, I will be fine.” The next day he finds himself at work or at school and his peers are acting and talking in such a way that would not be befitting to a Christian. Because acting like a Christian would cause him to feel awkward and uncomfortable, he decides to participate in the behavior and conversation. As a result, his peers cannot tell the difference between themselves and him, who is supposed to be a Christian. It could be that he attends services faithfully but he regularly goes to bars, attends parties, curses, etc... “But I’m still a Christian. I attend services every time the doors are open.”

The apostle Paul writes, “*For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every-one that believeth;...*” (Romans 1:16). The person that acts like the one mentioned above is ashamed of the gospel of Christ. He wants to be a Christian in name but he wants to be so on his own terms. Jesus calls this kind of person a hypocrite. “*Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are like unto whited sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness. Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity. Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because ye build the tombs of the prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous, And say, If we had been in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets. Wherefore ye be witnesses unto yourselves, that ye are the children of them which killed the prophets. Fill ye up then the measure of your fathers. Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?*” (Matthew 23:27-33). The person that behaves in such a manner puts on an outward show of being a Christian when the fact is he has not repented of his sins and so is living in sin as a wayward member of Christ’s body.

Second, does your Christianity depend upon your convenience? There are those that are only Christians when it is most convenient for them. This person says, “I will pick and choose the times in which I will represent Christ. When my family comes into town for the holidays, I will stay home and visit with them rather than going to services. If my child happens to have a ball game on a Sunday or Wednesday, it will not hurt us to miss one service; God will understand. When a doctrinal subject comes up at work or at school and I do not know much about it, although I know what they are saying is wrong, I will act disinterested or will make up an answer so that I do not feel too awkward.” He will then defend himself by saying, “Well, I don’t drink or do those things that so and so does. I’m a good person.” This person is much the same as the first mentioned, the difference being that this person is not as blatant in his behavior as the first. He simply tries to blend in with everyone. He wants to serve God but only on his own schedule.

Well, what does the Bible say about such behavior? “*Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is;...*” (Heb. 10:25). “*But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:*” (1 Peter 3:15). These two passages address the problem of forsaking the assembling of the saints and being prepared to answer those that ask us questions of our doctrine and faith. If one should come upon a question that he cannot answer, there is nothing wrong with admitting that he does not know and would like the opportunity to study the subject and get back to the person that asked the question. The worst thing one could do is to make up an answer when he really does not know; he could be teaching false doctrine and not even know it.

Finally, how are you wired? Do you have a switch or will your wires have to be cut to shut you down? Some time ago, I was afforded the opportunity to work with an electrical company. I now know that there is a way to wire something that the only way to shut it off is to cut the wire. So I ask, do you have a switch or are you permanently fixed or wired in the “on” position? If you have a switch, lose it. Re-wire yourself so that the only way you will no longer be in service to the Lord is to have your wires cut in death. “*Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.*” (Revelation 2:10). Christ tells us that if we are faithful throughout our lives, even to the point of losing our lives, He will give us a crown of life. Do you turn your faith on and off or is it constant? If you have had that so-call “switch”, make it to where it is turned “on” once and for all.

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LIGHTPOST CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

- ♦ **TEEN DEVO**●5:30PM●MPB

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

- ♦ **SENIOR GAME DAY**●1-5PM●MPB●Bring Favorite Games & Snacks!

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14

- ♦ **TUESDAY LADIES’ VISITATION**●11:30AM●MPB●Bring a lunch!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

- ♦ **JR. YOUTH & TEENS PARENT HOSTED DEVO**●5PM @Gary & Beth Pope’s house ~**798 RAGWEED VALLEY RD, ROYAL**●*Please have Girls bring Frito’s & Boys bring Drinks*

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

- ♦ **TUESDAY LADIES’ VISITATION**●11:30AM●MPB●Bring your lunch!

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

- ♦ **TEEN DEVO**●5:30PM●MPB

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

- ♦ **SENIOR GAME DAY**●1-5PM●MPB●Bring Favorite Games & Snacks!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24

- ♦ **LADIES DIGGING DEEP BIBLE STUDY**●6PM●MPB●Bring Snacks!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

- ♦ **HOMEBUILDERS’ PUMPKIN PAINTING**●7PM●MPB●Paint supplies, S’mores & Drinks will be provided. Please bring your own pumpkins to paint. *All are Welcome to attend*☺

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28

- ♦ **TUESDAY LADIES’ VISITATION**●11:30AM●MPB

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

- ♦ **TUESDAY LADIES’ BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON** ●11:30AM●TBD

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7

- ♦ **BLAZE 2025 “IGNITING the FLAME”**●6-9:30PM●Auditorium & MPB
- ♦ **BLAZE FELLOWSHIP HOMEMADE ICE CREAM**●8:30PM●MPB●(see *Lightpost for Homemade Ice Cream Sign-ups*)
- ♦ **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8**
- ♦ **BLAZE 2025 “FANNING the FLAME**●8:30AM-9PM●Auditorium & MPB
- ♦ **FELLOWSHIP POT-LUCK** ●5PM●MPB●Please bring Cornbread, Crackers, Chips, Shredded Cheese, Desserts & Drinks (*Please see*

Prayer Requests

MEMBERS

Phyllis Allen●Pris Cormier●Debbie Frenzel
Bob Garner●Billie Gregory●Jean Kazimier
Bob Johnston●Walton/Elaine Kyle
Christie Landrum●Carla March
Ricky/Zandra Mendenhall●Glenda Pannell
Karen Pate●Leslie Pate●Lois Pendleberry
Stuart Reeves●Freddie Sharpe●Neva Tharp
Debbie Ugbade●Diana Ward●Ann White

- ♦ Crenshaw, Pauline –NO VISITORS PLEASE –Working w/physical therapy
- ♦ **Richens, Pat –Back pain**
- ♦ Wireman, Patricia –Recovering @home, *NO visitors at this time please*

SHUT-INS

Craig Archer●Mike/Shirley Baka
Henry Cook●LaVonne Depew●Ola Freibolt
Marcelle Green●Lorene Mount
Charles/Virginia Parker●David Pendleberry
Wes Poole●Pat Richens●Judy Walters
Linda Woeppel

- ♦ *Cook, Henry –@Home hospice*
- ♦ *Walters, Judy– Is using walker, but cannot drive. She’s having hip problems & is in a lot of pain (does not want surgery)*

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Kim Butler●Courtland Palmer
Breanna Dishongh●Jenna Duvall
Paula Crippen●Cindy Cunningham
Kristi Ferguson●Austen Johnson
Becky McCombs●Matthew Qualls
Rhonda Rivers●Don Rutherford
Barbara Sickels●John Smith●Mary Sisco
Judy Straut●Bob Troutman●Harrel Walters
Kay Ward

ALL MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS

- * 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

BATTLING CANCER

Jennifer Baker●Gabe Barnhart
Andy Bennett●JL Bice●Jim Blagg
Nona Barton●June Beach●Sherry Daniel
Denise Drennan●Sheree Gallagher
Patti Genow●Jerry Harris●Jack Haywood
Pam Jackson●Alvena Jones●Sandy Land
Brenda Lavender●Daryl Macon
Phyllis Madlen●Delorious Tolleson
Bettie Lou White

- ♦ Horne, Terry –Will begin radiation treatment soon

- ♦ Pipkins, Eugene –*No Visitors Please –to protect his immune system. Taken to ER 10/1*
- ♦ Ward, Kenny –*Home w/hospice (Meal Train on Lightpost –soft easy to eat foods, soup, casseroles...)*

MISSIONS (Matthew 28:18-20)
❖**Kakinada, India-Ronnie Gootam**
❖**Nigeria -Chad Wagner**
❖**Pacific Islands -Randy English**