

**ONLINE CLASSES FOUND ON:**

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**SUNDAY NIGHTS w/MICHAEL @9PM**

**MATTHEW: THE ARRIVAL OF THE KING -Sat., @9AM**

**ACTS: THEN & NOW -Wed., @9AM**

**ALL A 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**

**BULLETIN QUESTION #9**

Luke 18:7-8 *And shall God not avenge His own elect who cry out day and night to Him, though He bears long with them? I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?"*

The questions found in verses 7 & 8 are part of a unique parable by Jesus that starts in verse 1. Here Jesus is teaching about PERSEVERANCE – the determination to keep going even when the odds feel stacked against us. His parable of the persistent widow reminds us that giving up too soon can rob us of victories worth fighting for.

WHY DO WE OFTEN GIVE UP TOO SOON? Modern life conditions us to expect instant gratification. We live in a world of microwaves, high-speed internet, and next-day delivery. When something takes longer than expected, it feels like eternity. Impatience isn't limited to small inconveniences like slow traffic or lines at the ticket office, it can also creep into the church.

The widow in the parable didn't give up. She kept on knocking, day after day, until the judge finally acted – not because he cared about her, but because of her persistence. Persistence doesn't guarantee immediate results, but without perseverance, success is impossible. The widow's persistence was an act of faith, a belief that justice was worth fighting for.

What is worth fighting for today? How about a family member who is not a faithful Christian. Is his/her soul worth the effort? Is it worth the extra prayers each day for a friend who is battling a disease? Prayer can & will make a difference but only if we believe and keep on praying.

Faith & perseverance are inseparable. Faith is the belief that something will come to fruition, while perseverance is the active pursuit of that belief. Never forget Philippians 4:13!

Human nature often tempts us to quit when things get difficult. Let's not fall victim to temptation. Let's keep on believing ...keep on praying ...& keep on serving!

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.....Clayton Wells

**R#66 - 'Doxology'**  
**R#67 - 'For the Beauty of the Earth'**  
**R#508 - 'A Wonderful Savior'**

Prayer.....Andy McCormick

**R#315 - 'When I Survey the Wondrous Cross'**

**COMMUNION**

Scripture Reading & Prayer  
Tim Wiemer / Willie Butler

**R#112 - 'Wonderful Grace of Jesus'**

Scripture Reading.....James Bonde  
Sermon.....Chad Wagner

**"3 THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW  
FROM HEBREWS"**  
**Hebrews 1:1-4**

**R#934 - 'Softly and Tenderly'**  
**B#387 - 'Lead Me to Some Soul Today'**

Prayer.....Festus Ugbade

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

**6:00 PM Order of Worship**

Welcome/Prayer.....Tom Shelton  
Song Leader.....Thomas Livingston

**R#589 - 'Leaning on the Everlasting Arms'**  
**R#827 - 'Sweet Hour of Prayer'**

Prayer.....Alan Dishongh

**R#382 - 'Why Did My Savior Come to Earth?'**

**COMMUNION**

Scripture Reading & Prayer  
Tim Wiemer / Willie Butler

**R#528 - 'I Know That My Redeemer Lives'**

Scripture Reading.....James Bonde  
Sermon.....Josh Romo

**"ARE CHURCHES OF CHRIST  
A DENOMINATION?"**  
**Matthew 16:13-19**

**R#927 - 'Why Keep Jesus Waiting?'**  
**R#539 - 'Higher Ground'**  
**B#387 - 'Lead Me to Some Soul Today'**

Prayer.....Festus Ugbade

**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: 11/9/2025**

9:00 AM Bible Class.....186  
10:15 AM Worship.....265  
PM Worship.....115  
Wednesday Bible Class.....112  
Contribution.....\$8,018.67

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



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**Bring Back the Erring One**

**<sup>19</sup> Brethren,**  
**if anyone among you wan-**  
**ders from the truth, and**  
**someone turns**  
**him back,**  
**<sup>20</sup> let him know that he**  
**who turns a sinner from**  
**the error of his will**  
**save a soul from death**  
**and cover a multitude**  
**of sins.**

**James 5:19-20**

**SUNDAY: BIBLE CLASS @9:00 AM; WORSHIP @10:15 AM; WORSHIP @6:00 PM;**



### Keeping Bible verses in Bible Context (Part 2)

Someone also made the statement that the Bible "endorsed cannibalism." Surprisingly, an Old Testament verse was used in making that statement. Let's examine the verse and its context. Deuteronomy 28:53, 57: Vs. 53 - "And thou shalt eat the fruit of thine own body, the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters, which the LORD thy God hath given thee, in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee:" Vs. 57- "And toward her young one that cometh out from between her feet, and toward her children which she shall bear: for she shall eat them for want of all things secretly in the siege and straitness, where with thine enemy shall distress thee in thy gates." First, we must understand that this entire chapter is dealing with prophecy, which can be easily seen from the very first statement in Deuteronomy 28:1, "And it shall come to pass..." So rather than God endorsing what is found to be written here, God is simply causing Moses to speak and to write what will happen if and when Israel ever departs from the commandments and statutes of God. God never, in any way, ever endorsed or will endorse cannibalism. Second, since this is dealing prophecy, we need to try and find where this prophecy came to fruition. We see the fruition of this prophecy in 2 Kings 6:24-29: "And it came to pass after this, that Benhadad king of Syria gathered all his host, and went up, and besieged Samaria. And there was a great famine in Samaria: and, behold, they besieged it, until an ass's head was sold for fourscore pieces of silver, and the fourth part of a cab of dove's dung for five pieces of silver. And as the king of Israel was passing by upon the wall, there cried a woman unto him, saying, Help, my lord, O king. And he said, If the LORD do not help thee, whence shall I help thee? out of the barnfloor, or out of the winepress? And the king said unto her, What aileth thee? And she answered, This woman said unto me, Give thy son, that we may eat him to day, and we will eat my son to morrow. So we boiled my son, and did eat him: and I said unto her on the next day, Give thy son, that we may eat him: and she hath hid her son." We could also include the atrocities committed by the Jews under the siege of the Romans in AD 70 (See Josephus). So, once more we see that by noticing the context in which this was written that God never did nor will He ever endorse cannibalism.

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## LIGHTPOST CALENDAR

**TODAY! SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16**

- ♦ L2L BIBLE BOWL PRACTICE • 7PM • MPB

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18**

- ♦ TUESDAY LADIES' VISITATION • 11:30AM • MPB • Bring a lunch!

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19**

- ♦ TEENS' DEVO • 5:30PM • MPB

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23**

- ♦ L2L BIBLE BOWL PRACTICE • 7PM • MPB

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25**

- ♦ TUESDAY LADIES' VISITATION • 11:30AM • MPB • Bring a lunch!

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30**

- ♦ L2L BIBLE BOWL PRACTICE • 7PM • MPB

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 1**

- ♦ ORNAMENT & COOKIE EXCHANGE – ALL GIRLS/LADIES' WELCOME!  
• 6:30PM • @the Powell's House ~ 897 MCCLENDON RD

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2**

- ♦ TUESDAY LADIES' VISITATION • 11:30AM • MPB • Bring a lunch!

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3**

- ♦ TEENS' DEVO • 5:30PM • MPB

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5**

- ♦ JR YOUTH/TEEN PARENT HOSTED DEVO & GIFT EXCHANGE @BILL & CAROLYN BRANNON'S HOUSE • 5:30PM • 232 SOUTHSORE DR • Bring YOUR Bibles & a wrapped/bagged gift to exchange!
- ♦ LADIES' DIGGING DEEP BIBLE STUDY • 6PM • MPB • Bring Snacks!

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6**

- ♦ YOUTH/TEEN GIFT BOX DELIVERIES TO SHUT-INS • Meet @9AM @MPB
- ♦ DECEMBER DINNER PARTY & GIFT EXCHANGE • 5:30pm • MPB  
• Catered Dinner - Each person please bring a wrapped/bagged gift to exchange (\*\*\*Please RSVP in Foyer & Lightpost – this is needed in order to have correct head count for caterer-Thank you!)

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7**

- ♦ TEEN'S 1<sup>ST</sup> PRINCIPLES • 4:30PM • Room 118
- ♦ L2L BIBLE BOWL PRACTICE • 7PM • MPB

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9**

- ♦ LADIES' ANNUAL FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON & GIFT EXCHANGE – ALL

**WEDNESDAY: BIBLE CLASSES @7:00 PM**

# ChatCYC

"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me." — John 10:27

hearing God in a digital age...

Dallas  
Jan 16-18  
**Sheraton DFW**  
4440 W John Carpenter Fwy  
Irving, TX 75063



# CYC

## Prayer Requests

### MEMBERS

Phyllis Allen • Pauline Crenshaw • Bob Garner  
Billie Gregory • Jean Kazimier • Bob Johnston  
Walton/Elaine Kyle • Christie Landrum  
Carla March • Ricky/Zandra Mendenhall  
Karen Pate • Leslie Pate • Stuart Reeves  
Pat Richardson • Freddie Sharpe  
Neva Tharp • Debbie Ugbade • Diana Ward  
Ann White • Patricia Wireman

- ♦ Dean, Martha – Heart issues & severe pain w/sciatica flare up
- ♦ Pannell, Glenda – Health

### 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 Woepel

- ♦ Cook, Henry – @Spring Red Oak  
Respite off of Carpenter Dam Road

### 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

### FAMILY & FRIENDS

Sheila Bird • Kim Butler • Courtland Palmer  
Breanna Dishongh • Jenna Duvall  
Paula Crippen • Cindy Cunningham • Lim Elek  
Kristi Ferguson • Austen Johnson • Suzie King  
Becky McCombs • Matthew Qualls  
Rhonda Rivers • Don Rutherford • John Smith  
Mary Sisco • Judy Straut • Bob Troutman  
Harrel Walters • Kay Ward

- ♦ Ault, Marty (Brannon's friend) in ICU @CHI St. Vincent's w/possible stroke  
Member of the Oppelo church of Christ
- ♦ Dugan, Derek & Regina (Rutherford's former neighbors) Regina is on oxygen & is alert & talking – continued prayers please!

### BATTLING CANCER

Jennifer Baker • JL Bice • Jim Blagg  
Nona Barton • June Beach • Sherry Daniel  
Denise Drennan • Ella Fisher  
Sheree Gallagher • Patti Genow • Jerry Harris  
Jack Haywood • Terry Horne • Kirsten James  
Alvena Jones • Sandy Land  
Brenda Lavender • Daryl Macon  
Phyllis Madlen • Eugene Pipkins  
Delorious Tolleson • Kenny Ward  
Bettie Lou White

- ♦ Frenzel, Debbie – diagnosed with cancer, doctor says it is treatable

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

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

•••**ELDERS:** Bill Brannon; Bob Cole; Ed Courtney; Alan Dishongh; Danny Griffith; Donnie Pogue, Jr; Tim Togami; Festus Ugbade•••**DEACONS:** Jonathan Bonde; Lessel Collier; Drew Hudgens; Derek Landrum; Chris Nickolson; Rick Palmer; Tom Shelton•••