

During these past few weeks, I have been **STRUGGLING BIG TIME**. I have always been a person who tries my best to please everyone, as fair as the Bible allows me. To the best of my ability, I want to give everyone what they want and need.



On one hand I have a few dear 70 West members who don't have WIFI and don't have a smart phone or tablet. They need me to present **BIBLE STUDY MADE EASY** as a Sunday morning auditorium class.

On the other hand, I have a large number of Christians in India who depend on the JOHN class (the current Sunday morning auditorium class) as their Sunday class. These Christians study our auditorium class, plus additional notes I email them, on the Sunday AFTER it airs on Facebook. Since I only have access once per week to the auditorium, these large group of Christians need me to continue the JOHN auditorium class. The struggle I have been facing was how to give both the Christians in India and our members here what they need, but then a line from a movie came to me.

"The needs of the MANY outweigh the needs of the FEW, or the one."

While it grieves me deeply not to be able to meet the needs of our members who don't have WIFI/smart phone or tablet, the needs of the MANY must be followed.

Thus, **BIBLE STUDY MADE EASY** will be an online daily 5-7 minute video. The online video will preview the next day's reading (e.g. the January 1 reading will air on December 31, the January 2 reading will air on January 1, etc.). These daily online videos will also feature the answers to the QUESTIONS for that particular day.

BIBLE STUDY MADE EASY will also be aided by a Wednesday ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION CLASS in classroom #116 that will dig deeper into the readings plus this Wednesday class will also feature material on how to SHARE OUR FAITH WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS. If you have family & friends who are not NT Christians, this class is a MUST for you. This class will not be aired online.

Notebooks will be distributed on December 21 and 28 and a special preview of BIBLE STUDY MADE EASY will be presented as the auditorium class on December 28.

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.....Tim Wiemer
Song Leader.....Thomas Livingston

R#300 - 'Praise Him! Praise Him!'
R#147 - 'I Stand Amazed'

Prayer.....Jason Powell

R#354 - 'I Gave My Life for Thee'

COMMUNION

Scripture Reading & Prayer
Danny Griffith / Thomas Livingston

R#652 - 'We Have Heard the Joyful Sound'

Scripture Reading.....Michael Cox
Sermon.....Josh Romo

"Becoming a Disciple"
Luke 5:1-11

B#538 - 'Prepare to Meet Thy God'
R#895 - 'I'll Live in Glory'
B#387 - 'Lead Me to Some Soul Today'

Prayer.....Bill Brannon

B=Brown Book ♪ R=Red Book ♪ SC=Screen

6:00 PM Order of Worship

Welcome/Prayer.....Tim Wiemer
Song Leader.....Thomas Livingston

R#8 - 'Let Every Heart Rejoice and Sing'
R#701 - 'My Jesus, I Love Thee'

Prayer.....Ed Courtney

SC - 'How Deep the Father's Love'

COMMUNION

Scripture Reading & Prayer
Danny Griffith / Thomas Livingston

R#641 - 'The Ninety and Nine'

Scripture Reading.....Michael Cox
Sermon.....Josh Romo

"Standing Alone"
II Kings 19:35-37

B#674 - 'There's a Great Day Coming'
R#412 - 'Jesus, Hold My Hand'
B#387 - 'Lead Me to Some Soul Today'

Prayer.....Bill Brannon

DECEMBER ELDERS / DEACONS
BILL BRANNON / RICK PALMER

BAPTISMAL ASSISTANTS:
Pam Shelton & Angie Drennon

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
Lisa Cox

Room#108: 4yrs -K
Martha Dean

Room#107: 3yrs
Christie Landrum

Room#104: 1-2 yrs
Barbara Wells &
Autumn Wells

Room#106: 3-18 months
Cradle Roll
Vicki Cole

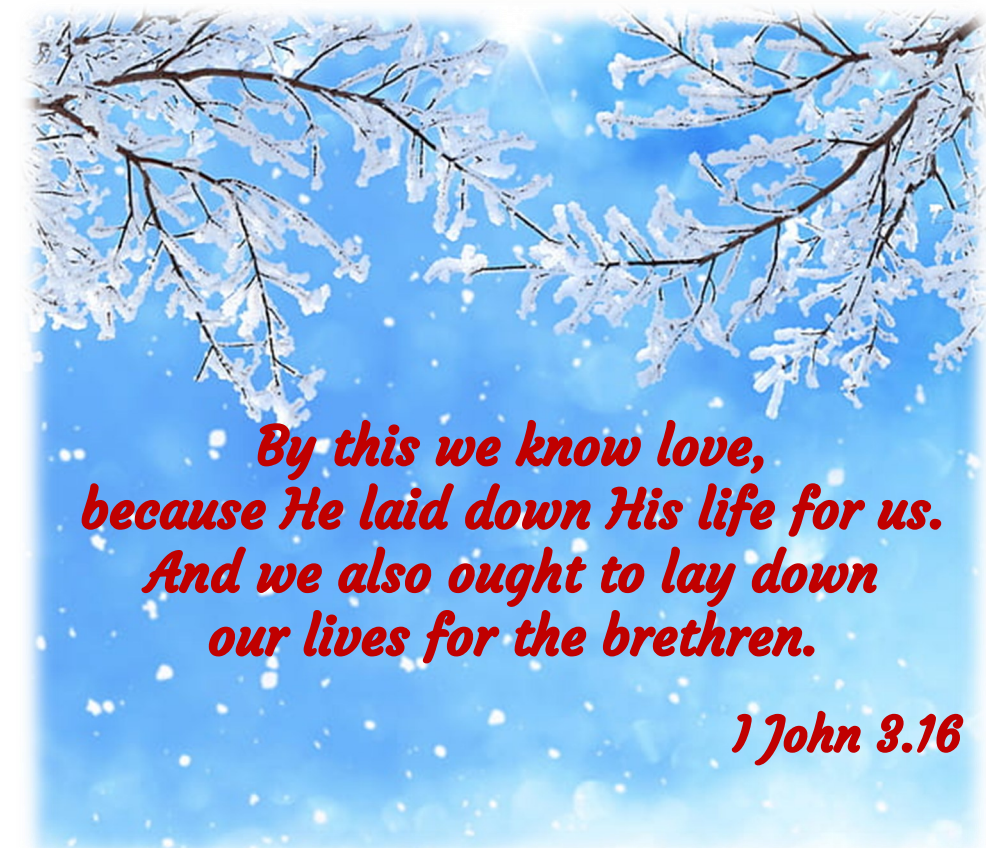
Our Record: 12/7/2025

9:00 AM Bible Class.....125
10:15 AM Worship.....216
PM Worship.....107
Wednesday Bible Class.....104
Contribution.....\$11,177.11

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receiver from the
sound room



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*By this we know love,
because He laid down His life for us.
And we also ought to lay down
our lives for the brethren.*

1 John 3.16

DEALING with GRIEF

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- **SATURDAY, JANUARY 24, 2026**
- **10:00AM: Session 1**
- **12:00 PM: Sandwiches provided in MPB**
- **01:30 PM: Sessions 2 & 3**
- **SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2026**
- **09:00 AM: Bible Class**
- **10:15 AM: Worship**

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Note from Josh: Reading this article, I'm reminded of Paul's words, "But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us. We are hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed – always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body." (2 Corinthians 4:7-10). Paul is reminding us that even when things seem to be at their worst, we still have Christ! We are still in the fight as soldiers of the Cross! This fight we are in, "ain't got any rear!" So, if you're not in the fight, get in it.

THIS FIGHT AIN'T GOT ANY REAR!

Greg Dial

Ephesians 6:10 - Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

Historian Shelby Foote tells of a soldier who was wounded at the battle of Shiloh during the American Civil War and was ordered to go to the rear. The fighting was fierce and within minutes he returned to his commanding officer. "Captain, give me a gun!" he shouted. "This fight ain't got any rear!"

In Ephesians, Paul describes the armor that we should put on daily. Have you ever noticed that every part of the body is covered except for one? The back! The Lord didn't want us to run away and turn our back toward our enemy -- it would leave us vulnerable, with no armor to protect us against his attack! And just as a dog would when he senses fear, if we run from the enemy, he will relentlessly chase us until we are broken. But if we take courage and stand strong in the power of God's might, then the battle will be the Lord's... and He has already won the victory!

The battle is raging! It's time to take up our armor and face the enemy head-on! There's no turning back! We're in this together! There's so much work to be done!

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LIGHTPOST CALENDAR

TONIGHT! SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

- ♦ L2L BIBLE BOWL PRACTICE • 4:30PM • MPB
- ♦ FELLOWSHIP POT-LUCK FOR HUDGENS' FAMILY "SO LONG, FAREWELL, AUF WIEDERSEHEN, GOOD-BYE, ADIEU, ADIEU..." • 7PM • MPB • Please bring Soups, Salads, Sandwiches & Desserts!

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17

- ♦ TEENS' DEVO • 5:30PM • MPB

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

- ♦ L2L BIBLE BOWL PRACTICE • 7PM • MPB

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28

- ♦ L2L BIBLE BOWL PRACTICE • 7PM • MPB

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

- ♦ TEEN NEW YEAR'S EVE HANG OUT • 8PM-12AM • MPB

SUNDAY, JANUARY 4

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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8

- ♦ SENIOR'S GAME DAY • 1-5PM • MPB • Bring Snacks!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10

- ♦ HOME BUILDERS - GAME NIGHT! • 6:30-8:30PM • MPB • ALL are Welcomed to attend! Please bring your favorite cards, dominoes, board games & favorite snacks to share!

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13

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

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14

- ♦ TEENS' DEVO • 5:30PM • MPB

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16-18

- ♦ CHAT CYC (CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE) DALLAS • Vans leave MPB @ 12PM

Congratulations to new Arkansas State University graduate: William Livingston

~William graduated on Saturday, December 13 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Creative Media Production



Prayer Requests

SYMPATHIES EXTENDED TO

- ⇒ **Kathy Pate & Family**, her Aunt Patricia Wacaster of Bonnerdale passed away on Tuesday, December 2nd
- ⇒ **Diana Ward & Family**, her husband & our brother in Christ, **Kenny Ward** passed away on Tuesday, December 2nd. Memorial Service was on Tuesday, December 9th

MEMBERS

- Phyllis Allen • **Charlie Burns** • Bob Garner
- Billie Gregory • Jean Kazimier • Bob Johnston
- Walton/Elaine Kyle • Christie Landrum
- Carla March • Ricky/Zandra Mendenhall
- Glenda Pannell** • Karen Pate • Leslie Pate
- Freddie Sharpe • Neva Tharp • Debbie Ugbade
- Diana Ward • Patricia Wireman
- ♦ Dale, Sherry - Having a lot of hip/leg pain, - total hip replacement Friday, 12/12 in L.R.
- ♦ Dean, Martha - Still dealing w/a lot of pain - MRI has now been delayed until January
- ♦ Reeves, Stuart - had heart surgery 12/10 & is in rm#401 @ CHI St. Vincent's HS
- ♦ Wedsted, Kenneth - Surgery scheduled for Tuesday, 1/9 @ CHI St. Vincent's in Hot Springs
- ♦ Wireman, Patricia - Hip revision surgery scheduled for Tuesday, 1/16

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

MISSIONS (Matthew 28:18-20)

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

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

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Marty Ault • Sheila Bird • Kim Butler
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
Judy Straut • Bob Troutman • Harrel Walters
Kay Ward

- ♦ **Butler, William (Willie's son) Prayers for health**
- ♦ Haight, Jim (Vicki Cole's BIL) Failing health in St. Bernard's Hospital, Jonesboro, AR
- ♦ **SYMPATHIES EXTENDED TO FAMILY & FRIENDS OF Riley Jones (Ken Wedsted's friend & son of Eldon & Becky Jones of Donaldson) Riley passed away on Thursday, 12/11 after being hit by a car**
- ♦ Miller, Gloria (Denise Wiemer's mom) Heart racing episodes -undergoing tests
- ♦ **Reeves, Jerry (Stuart's brother) patient at hospital in Salt Lake City, UT**

BATTLING CANCER

- Jennifer Baker • **June Beach** • **JL Bice**
Jim Blagg • Nona Barton • 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 • Bettie Lou White
- ♦ Frenzel, Debbie - Now in CHI St. Vincent's Little Rock, rm#4060, recovering from surgery
- ♦ Janus, Jeff (Craig Dale's brother) PET scan didn't show any additional cancer. He will receive immunotherapy once a wk to address cancer in one of his lymph nodes