

# Heartbeat

INDIAN HILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH

August 13, 2017

Welcome. There is no better way to start out the week than by studying the Word and thereby deepening our love and devotion for God.

Nothing is more important than saturating our minds with what the Bible reveals about God. Our entire spiritual life depends on this. Whether it is our worship, prayer, attitudes, desires, or relationships, none of them will ever rise higher than our love for God.

Those who have known God for many years share that striving to know Him better is a lifelong pursuit. Knowing God deeply is surely the most important effort we can make in becoming more like our Savior.

## Welcome Peter Barber

Today we welcome our very own, home-grown Peter Barber to Indian Hills and the pulpit. Peter will be teaching from the Book of John this morning and tonight. He comes to us from Central Bible Church in Kalispell, Montana, where he serves as Senior Pastor. Welcome home Peter!

## Tommy Ice

Thank you to Dr. Tommy Ice

for your rich messages from the Word. We devoured the spiritual food you fed us and we're eager to hear from you again.

## Unity in Christ

The unity we have in Christ truly is miraculous. Although we come from many different backgrounds and walks of life, have differing strengths, weaknesses, and varying personalities—we are united in our love for the Savior.

As we grow, we learn that “love covers a multitude of sins” (1 Peter 4:8) and that God uses each one despite our many failings. How sweet it is to love the ones our Lord holds closely.

We're thankful you're here this morning. As members of God's family, it is a joy to gather with the saints and worship our Lord and Savior with you!

## Key to Victory

The key to a victorious Christian life is obedience. The Lord will faithfully supply us with instructions for each step as we follow Him. His way may not be the easiest or the most comfortable, but it is always the best.

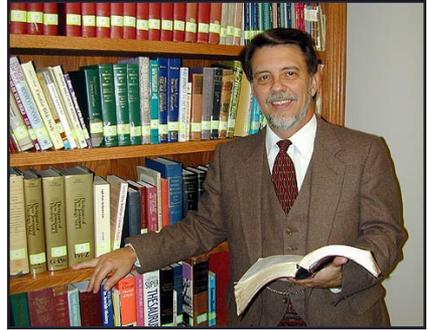
Have a victorious week!

# Learning Truth, Living Truth

Gary Gilley

The centrality and importance of scriptural knowledge and understanding, as well as the directive to teach it clearly and consistently, permeate the Pastoral Epistles. One of the most important things we can do when determining where the Lord wants us to place our emphasis is to study carefully where He places His. Many extremes could be avoided if we would lay aside our own ideas and the popular fads of the moment and simply look at what God did and taught. With that in mind I have found the Pastoral Epistles to be very instructive. Here we are given the final inspired written words of the apostle Paul, a man who had dedicated his life to spreading the gospel, establishing churches and giving instruction to the disciples of Christ. As he neared the end of his earthly life what did he think, as inspired by the Holy Spirit, was most important for those he had mentored to emphasize after he was gone? I believe these letters give us the answer.

Paul said that the Lord had entrusted him with a message and a mission (2 Tim 2:2) and he repeatedly proclaimed he was entrusting the same thing to Timothy and Titus (1 Tim 1:11, 18; 6:20; 2 Tim 1:12, 14; 2:2; Titus 1:3). What was he entrusting to them? While there



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were a number of items he discussed in these three epistles, such as church leadership and finances, the theme he returned to time after time was that of theology. Approximately sixty times in these three little books, through the use of four synonyms, he emphasized the importance of sound doctrine. Without solid theology, drawn directly from the Word of God, the church has no reason for existence. The four synonyms are doctrine, teaching, the faith, and truth. Take a look at the first one:

## **Doctrine**

Paul had left Timothy in Ephesus, while he moved on to Macedonia, for the express purpose of having Timothy provide instruction to the church (1 Tim 1:3). Paul begins with the negative, writing “That you may instruct certain men not to teach strange doctrines” (1:3). The word for

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## Learning Truth

“strange” is an unusual word in the New Testament, found only here and in 1 Timothy 6:3. It means “different, or of another kind.” Some at the church were engaged in teaching things that did not come from Christ or the apostles. Worse yet, they were claiming their teachings were as authoritative as those of the inspired apostles. Timothy was instructed to refute and expose these teachings for what they were: myths and false pronouncements (v. 4). Titus was given similar instructions in his selection of elders. Elders were to be men who could “refute those who contradict” sound doctrine (Titus 1:9). On the positive side, both men were charged to preach the Word (2 Tim 4:2), and exhort in sound doctrine (Titus 1:9). At the close of 1 Timothy, Paul writes, “O Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to you” (6:20). And what had been entrusted to Timothy that he was to guard? Sound doctrine. What happens when instructions concerning guarding and teaching biblical theology are neglected? We have a people who claim to be Christians yet have no idea what they believe. And because they do not know what they believe they ultimately do not know how to live. As Paul wrote, “The goal of our instruction is love from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith” (1 Tim 1:5). Doc-

trinally sound instruction leads to biblical living.

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**Dr. Gary Gilley** has been pastoring at Southern View Chapel in Springfield, Illinois, since 1975. He is author of six books, *This Little Church Went to Market*, *This Little Church Stayed Home*, *I Just Wanted More Land—Jabez, Is That You Lord?*, *This Little Church Had None*, and *Out of Formation*. He has also contributed to five other books, *Reforming or Conforming*, *Biblical Sufficiency Applied*, *Practical Aspects of Pastoral Theology*, *Dispensationalism Tomorrow & Beyond*, *a Tribute to Charles Ryrie*, and *An Introduction to the New Covenant*.

Gary is a frequent speaker at Bible conferences in America and internationally. He also writes the study paper, *Think on These Things* which examines important contemporary theological issues and trends. He is a board member of IFCA International, Brazil Gospel Fellowship Mission and the Personal Freedom Outreach, serves on the Board of Reference for New Tribes Missions and is the Book Review Editor for the *Journal of Dispensational Theology*.

Gary will be speaking at The Hills on August 20. His morning message will be “Discipline for the Purpose of Godliness” from 1 Timothy 4:7-10. The evening message will be: “You Are What You Eat” from 1 Timothy 4:1-6.

# 8:00 p.m., August 25 at Tower Square Worship Night

We have a unique opportunity on Friday, August 25, to worship at Tower Square, beginning at 8:00 p.m.

Located at 13<sup>th</sup> & P Streets, Tower Square is a nice, affordable place to have a band, speaker, and seating for people enjoying an evening downtown.

One of the best things about this location is that it is a busy intersection and we expect to have lots of people walking by, listening to our band, and listening to the message of salvation.

“Let the word of Christ

richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms *and* hymns *and* spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God” (Colossians 3:16).

We are to be encouraging other believers and we hope to build up believers that come our way. Since the music can be heard from blocks away, we expect even more people will be drawn to see what’s happening.

Mike Jeffers will share how a sinner can be saved. This may be the first time some have heard that there is a sin penalty, or that Jesus died to pay for the sins of the world. It is astounding, but many people have not even considered that they will die one day. But for God’s grace, this could be each one of us and we are compelled to reach them with the good news of Jesus Christ.

Many workers will be needed that evening as we anticipate a lot of opportunities to share the Truth with people milling about. Please be praying for hearts ready to embrace the gospel and for wisdom, kindness, and boldness for our workers. May each one go out in the strength of the Lord.

The evening has a simple purpose—to worship God. Since



*Tower Plaza at night.*

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## **Worship Night**

praising God through music is worship, sharing the gospel is worship, and praying is worship, we're calling it worship night.

Be sure to invite your friends and neighbors to this special evening downtown. Invitations are available at the entrances. You can also share worship night with friends online. See our ad at [facebook.com/IndianHillsCommunityChurch](https://facebook.com/IndianHillsCommunityChurch).

Let us be good stewards  
of the Lord's blessings

# No Food or Drink

in the Auditorium or  
Chapel

## **Newbie Night**

**Monday, August 28 at 6:15 PM**

**The TOP 3 Ways**

**To Be Involved in Door 2 Door Evangelism**

**Talk:** Come out to "open your mouth" (Acts 8:35) and be involved in the conversations.

**Observe:** Come out to observe and learn. Your experienced partner will plan to do all the talking.

**Pray:** Commit to pray for the outreach effort that night.



## Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting

August 16

August 23

August 30

Come pray with the brethren in room 1414 at 7:00 p.m.

# Summer Pulpit Speakers

**Today! August 13**

Peter Barber Speaking  
(AM & PM)

**August 20**

Gary Gilley Speaking (AM & PM)

**August 27**

Duane Nelsen Speaking (AM)  
Adam Flaugh Speaking (PM)

**September 3**

Duane Nelsen Speaking (AM)  
Ed Daly Speaking (PM)

## Church Leadership

### Board of Elders

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Taysha Slade  
Andrew Thomas  
Zach Wheat

# Bible Fellowship Hour

## **Children' Sunday School**

Visit the Sunday school coordinator's desk for class locations.

## **Junior High** (Grades 6-8)

Studying Acts  
Team Taught  
Cornerstone House

## **Senior High** (Grades 9-12)

Topical Study  
Team Taught  
Room 1430

## **Alpha Omega** (18-25)

Studying 1 Corinthians  
Duane Nelsen Teaching  
Room 2311

## **EDGE**

Studying Philippians  
Jimmy Pelton Teaching  
Rooms 2211

## **Common Bonds**

Studying Acts  
Jim Mooberry Teaching  
Room 1404

## **HIS**

Studying Deuteronomy  
Scott Bailey Teaching  
Room 1423

## **LOGOS**

Studying Second Samuel  
Greg Thomas Teaching  
Room 1422

## **180<sup>0</sup> Fellowship**

Studying Luke  
Bill Cooley Teaching  
Room 1100 (Chapel)

## **One Heart**

Studying Matthew  
Dick Bergt Teaching  
Room 1112

## **LIFE**

Studying Matthew  
Jim Pelton Teaching  
Room 1419

## **The Father Knows Best**

Studying "Taking the Mystery Out of Revelation"  
Don Goertzen Teaching  
Room 1414

## **Prime Time**

Studying Selections from Daniel  
Duane Leach Teaching  
Room 1417

Classes begin at 8:45 a.m. but everyone is welcome to come at 8:30 a.m. for a cup of coffee and fellowship.

For more information about any of these classes, contact Duane Nelsen at 483-4541, visit the class, or stop by the information center in the south lobby.

## **Information Center**

We would love to meet you! Please stop by and pick up your visitor/newcomer gift bag. We're located across from Sound Words.

"Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much" (James 5:16).

## Family News

**Death.** Richard Goodding, Sr. died August 3, 2017.

**Hospitalized.** Eudean Springer was a patient at St. Elizabeth Hospital.

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## Children's Studies

**Children's Sunday School.** The children studied John 18:-19 and learned Jesus died for our sins.

**Summer Church.** Matt Marra and the AO group will be teaching our kindergarten through fifth grade children through September 3 (while our Children's Church workers take a much-deserved break).

The children will be studying Ephesians 4–6 and learning about a different aspect of walking with the Lord each week. On September 3 they will study the Armor of God.

## Information

**A Teacher** is needed the first Sunday of the month at The Waterford (South 48th St.); and the third Sunday at Sumner Place (near 20th and South). Also, up to six other teachers could be used in this ministry. Contact Tom Price at 792-9331 or [mathmanprice@gmail.com](mailto:mathmanprice@gmail.com).

**Hospitality Ministry** needs two workers. One person is needed to help at the information desk and one is needed to greet others at the southwest doors on Sunday mornings. Please let Brian Willet ([brian.willet@outlook.com](mailto:brian.willet@outlook.com)) know if you're interested.

**Teacher Needed** at The Arbors in north Lincoln on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please e-mail Tom Price at [mathmanprice@gmail.com](mailto:mathmanprice@gmail.com) or call 402-792-9331.

**Teacher Needed** on the first Sunday of the month for a Bible study at Homestead Alzheimer's Unit. Please e-mail Tom Price at [mathmanprice@gmail.com](mailto:mathmanprice@gmail.com) or call 402-792-9331.

**Music Camp** meets at 6 p.m. tonight. All children going into first through eighth grade in the fall are encouraged to attend.

First–third graders will begin the evening in the Family Center.

Fourth–eighth graders will begin the evening in the choir room. For more information about Music Camp contact Andrew Thomas at [andrew.thomas@ihcc.org](mailto:andrew.thomas@ihcc.org) or visit [www.ihcc.org/smc](http://www.ihcc.org/smc)

**Missionary Prayer Group** will meet on Wednesday, August 16 at 1:30 p.m. in the Lending Library. All women are encouraged to join us.

**Door 2 Door Evangelism** (in the neighborhoods of Lincoln) meets each Monday at 6:15 p.m., weather

permitting. Meet at the north entrance of IHCC (by the security desk). Everyone is welcome to attend. If you've never been out before, we will pair you up with someone who has experience and you can learn by observing.

**Nursery Workers** are needed for the second hour. Please contact Cheryl Slade, 402-770-3055, if you would like to help.

**Gardening** meets Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. If you'd like to help with the church flower gardens, we'd love your helping hands. Experience and green thumbs are not required. We provide the tools. Please come and enjoy the fresh air and fellowship. Meet in the south parking lot.

**Rainout Gardening.** When Wednesday gardening gets rained out, the workers meet on Thursday at the same time they were scheduled to work on Wednesday. If you would like to help on a rainout Thursday, please come! Tools are provided.

**Creative Sewers** will meet Tuesday, August 15, at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and sewing.

**Substitute Nursery Workers** are needed for all three services on Sunday. If you're available for one or all three services, call Stephanie Dowding, 402-416-9868, and she will put you on the list.

**Hospitalizations.** Please call the church, 402-483-4541, and notify

Pastor Aaron Nicholson or Curt Kuster of all hospitalizations and births.

**Nursing Home Door-to-Door Evangelism.** If you'd like to help, call Adam Flaugh, 402-310-2070.

**Weddings & Funerals.** Please call the church, 402-483-4541, and ask for Pastor Duane Nelsen or Pastor Aaron Nicholson for wedding and funeral arrangements.

**Lending Library.** This is a great time to introduce your kids to the church Lending Library. We have all kinds of books for both children and adults.

**Home Bible Studies.** If you are looking for a Home Bible Study, or are interested in hosting a study in your home, contact Adam Flaugh at 402-310-2070 or Jeff Horn at 402-483-4541.

**Used Book** section is available at Sound Words. You may contribute to or make purchases of discounted and hard-to-find books. Our shelves are growing and the stock is constantly changing in both the fiction and non-fiction categories.

## Last Week's Message

August 6 AM. Tommy Ice. TI 17.  
*Is America Under the Judgment of God?* Romans 1:16-32

August 6 PM. Tommy Ice. TI18.  
*The History of Zionism.* Selected Verses

# This Week's Events

## Sunday

Sunday Night Church 6:00 p.m.

Baptism

Summer Music Camp 6:00 p.m.

Sunshine Kids 6:30 p.m.

## Monday

Door 2 Door 6:15 p.m.

Sisters 7:00 p.m.

## Tuesday

Creative Sewers 11:30 a.m.

## Wednesday

Missionary Prayer 1:30 p.m.

Gardening 9:00 a.m.

Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

## Thursday

Alpha Omega Study 7:00 p.m.

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# Future Events

## August 20

Gary Gilley Speaking

## August 25

Worship Night (13th & P)

## August 27

Duane Nelsen Speaking (AM)

Adam Flaugh Speaking (PM)

## September 3

Duane Nelsen Speaking (AM)

Ed Daly Speaking (PM)

Summer Music Camp Finale

## September 4

Labor Day (Offices Closed)

## September 10

Fall Kickoff

## September 12

Titus Tuesday Resumes

## September 13

Girls' Choir Resumes

Choir & Orchestra Resume

Awana Resumes

Junior High Study Resumes

Issues in our Contemporary World

Wednesday Night Bible Study

## October 1

Baptism

## October 6, 7

Deaf Conference

## October 24

Intermission 6:15 p.m.

## November 7–10

Branson Tour