

SERVING WITH HONOR

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

MORNING
Opening Prayer Blake Hatcher
Song Director Casey Bearden
Sermon Troy Spradlin
..... "Jesus Loves You. This I Know."
Scripture Reading Matt McReynolds
..... John 15:9-17 (NKJV)
Closing Prayer Rick Bird

Serving Communion (Left - Right):
Sean Andino Luke McReynolds
Jared Lee Pat Mense
..... Richard Baker (Balcony)
Comments Doug Lee

EVENING
Opening Prayer Singing and Prayer
Singing Singing and Prayer
Scripture Reading Singing and Prayer
Comments Singing and Prayer

Worship Service and Preparation:
Make Comm. Bread Raley family
Comm. Prep Elsa Nunes
PowerPoint Matt McReynolds
Secure Building Jak Gallgher

WEDNESDAY EVENING
Song Director Gabriel Lee
Opening Prayer Steve Fulton

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE REPORT:
Table with 2 columns: Service, Attendance
Sunday Bible Class 132
AM Worship 196
PM Worship 127
Wed. Night Bible Class 189

Contribution : \$8,844
Weekly Budget : \$12,029
2025 Avg. Contribution : \$10,555

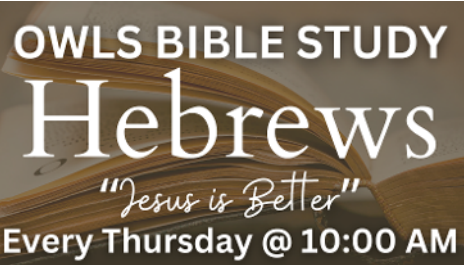
TIMES OF SERVICES:
Sunday AM Bible Class 9:00 am
Sunday AM Worship 10:00 am
Sunday PM Worship 6:00 pm
Wednesday PM Bible Class 6:30 pm

Visitors:
Thank you for coming!
You are our honored guest!
For more information about the church, spiritual topics, our classes, and activities, there is a tract rack at the entrance of the auditorium for your convenience.
Or, ask any member for assistance.
Please take a moment to fill out a visitors card, or sign our guest book so that we might have a record of your attendance. Thank you!

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS
ADMINISTRATION
• Deadline for all bulletin items is Thursday, by noon.
• If interested in utilizing the library, please reserve with Blisse or Lisa.
• Apologetics Press Study Bibles available for purchase - see Blisse.
• Reminder: If you use online giving, please consider covering the processing fees as part of you contribution.



EDUCATION
• Adult and Children Bible classes available on Sundays @ 9 AM and Wednesdays @ 6:30 PM.
• Willing to teach? See Chris Davis!



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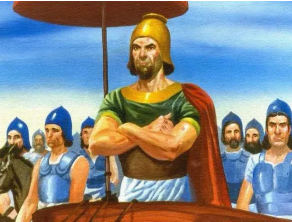
DEACONS* & MINISTRIES
Administration Troy Spradlin
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Building & Grounds Paul Lipford*
Education Chris Davis*
Evangelism Troy Spradlin
Finance Richard McCool
Fellowship Jeff Scott*
Involvement Joe Taylor*
Lads to Leaders David English
OWLS Stephen Fulton
Missions Mike Scott*
Visitation Bob Locklin
Kingdom Kids Dane Harrington*
Worship Blake Hatcher*
Youth & Family Casey Bearden
..... Matthew McReynolds*



Why Not Just Do What He Said To Do?
by Troy Spradlin

Second Kings 5 recounts the story of a Syrian military commander, Naaman, who was afflicted with leprosy. One of his servants gave him a simple message: if he went to the prophet in Israel, he could be healed (5:3). The servant said nothing about going to the king, involving the government, taking gifts, money, or anything concerning wealth. Yet, with just a few snap decisions and actions, Naaman had changed the simple message and perverted it far beyond what had been stated. Thus, he went bearing gifts and more to the king. Later, when he finally did what the servant had said to do, he was given uncomplicated directions by the prophet as to how he could be healed. He must simply dip seven times in the River Jordan. But the commander's response to the instructions reveal much about his attitude. It shows his desire to have things done how he wants it to be.

Naaman became furious, and went away and said, "Indeed, I said to myself, 'He will surely come out to me, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and wave his hand over the place, and heal the leprosy.' Are not the Abanah and the Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" So he turned and went away in a rage. (2 Kings 5:11-12) Instead of just doing what he was told to do, he rejected the simple plan and pontificated a completely different method for what he thought should have been done. He had in his mind and heart what he would accept. When he heard something other than what he wanted, he became angry and went away. His pride and anger became an obstacle to being healed!

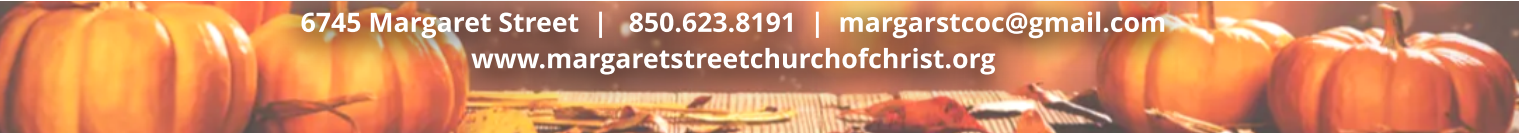


Naaman's angry response his how many respond to the plain and simple Gospel message of, "Arise and be baptized and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord!" (Acts 22:16) Many want to alter and pervert the simple message by rejecting what is stated so clearly in Scripture. Not only is it bluntly declared, but it is also exemplified multiple times by those who desired to become Christians! (cf: Acts 2:38-41, 8:12-13, 8:38, 10:48, 16:15,33, 19:5 and Romans 6:1-6) They all simply obeyed the command without hesitation.

Fortunately for Naaman, another one of his servants courageously stepped forward with yet another simple message, "My father, if the prophet had told you to do something great, would you not have done it? How much more then, when he says to you, 'Wash, and be clean?'" (2 Kings 5:13) In other words, why not just do what he said to do? Naaman wisely heeded the words of his servant, and when he had done exactly as he had been instructed, he was healed of his leprosy. It happened precisely as the prophet (and those two servants) had said it would!

- Therein lies the lesson for us. How much more so should we hear and follow the words of our Creator?
- His simple worship - not some elaborate pomp and flair. There's no need for instrumental music, bands, or choirs. Just simply gathering together to praise Him with a cappella singing (Eph 5:19; Col 3:16).
 - His simple memorial meal - not some elaborate ritual. The Lord's Supper is an uncomplicated request to remember each week what Jesus did for us and to proclaim His death until He returns (1 Cor 11:23-29).
 - His simple plan of salvation - not some elaborate, complicated process, or what we think and want. Honestly, how hard is it to just get in the water - to do what the apostles instructed to do? It's simple!

Don't take away or add to what is plainly stated. If Naaman had stopped at five, or even six times, it would not have been enough to heal him. God is very specific about what we must do to be saved. Why not just do it?



MSYG EVENTS & INFO

MSYG

Parent / Teen Meeting

November 23 | 4:30 pm | Fellowship Hall

Kingdom Kids

CHRISTMAS PAJAMAS PARTY

DECEMBER 7

4-5:30 PM

FELLOWSHIP HALL

MEMBERS ONLY. CHRISTMAS COOKIES AND MILK PROVIDED!

YG BIRTHDAY NIGHT

Wed. Dec. 10th

4:30 pm in the FH

GULF COAST AREA WIDE 2025-2026

MIRAGE

IN THE MESSAGE

JANUARY 11 @ SPANISH FORT

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE:
"Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven."
(Matthew 18:3)

Lads 2 Leaders

Faith Works

L2L SCHEDULE

12/3: BB Pre-Test #2

12/14: Workshop (Puppets & Oral Bible Reading begin)

MSYG PROGRESSIVE DINNER 2025

Friday, December 19

WAR ROOM

YG Prayer Night

DEC. 10

TEEN ROOM

GULF 2026 sign-up by October 30th \$150/person

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JANUARY 16-18, 2026

Digital access to our Calendars on your computer or personal device.

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CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER LIST

Recent/Urgent Requests

- Doug Barker - outpatient back surg. (Jak G.*)
- Louise Bond* - hospice called in
- Wendy Booker fam.-loss of Wendy(Cent.CoC)
- Barbara Conley - heart surgery (Lester*)
- Kyle Croom - venous insufficiency (Spradlin*)
- Myrna Fuller*- sick, health
- Ashley Gingerich-scleraderma disease
- Gloria Martin* - PT for speech/throat
- Mary McGriff* - recovery, XRAY
- Brittany Parker* - foot pain
- Jon Raley* - mother in hospice, travel
- Angela Ramsey* - back procedure, recovery
- Lee Roberts - open heart surgery (T.Russell*)
- Melody Samborn-surgery, recover (Burnham)
- James Stripling - recovery (Judy's* father)
- Stephanie Wilson* - surgery, recovery

Other Requests / Health Issues

- Patricia Ann* - health
- Gerry Baldwin - health (J.Pace sister)
- Wilson Barnes - diabetes complications (Jak*)
- Cassie Buchanant*- future surgery, pelvic pain
- Janice Carter* - sprained her neck, recovery
- Angela DAlessandro - health issues
- Allen Davis - (C.Davis'* father)
- Louis deLange* - prayers and encouragement
- Keturah Dickey - MS (K. Longmire*)
- Torrie Finney - medical (Jak's niece)
- Mike Frahm* - health, prayers
- Dixie Gorham - heart failure
- Edwina Harris - health (J.Pace* sister)
- Barbara Helms*- daily infusions
- Kenna Jackson - (Kristina P's* friend)
- David Jones - Alzheimer's (Kenya*)
- Jacob & Kylie Jones - car accident (Kenya*)
- Windie Jones* - pinched nerve in neck
- Joe Lewis - lupus
- Yvonne Loomis-recovery, healing (Nunes*)
- Matthew Malinowski - prayers, encourage
- Connie Moore - declining health (S. Fulton)
- Jeffery Norman - transplant list (Nunes*)
- Trish Powell - wayward (Jak*)
- Kara Ritchie - blood disorder (M.Scott*)
- Mary Lee Smith - heart issues (McGriff*)
- Edwina Sumrall - continued prayers
- Ryan Turner - heart issues (Rob's* brother)
- Roxy Wishum - respiratory issues

Cancer

- Rick Bartanen* - upcoming surgery
- Ron Bartanen* - lung
- Misty Bray - (Bird*)
- Lilly Cain - bladder (R. Locklin* sister)
- Jimmy Calhoun - (Mike Scott*)
- Micki Clopton - (former member)
- Sheryl Downy - (Burnham*)
- Keith Echols - (L.Lester*)
- David English*
- Geodee Fred - (C.Bartanen*)
- Ambia Kitchen - (Pantry)
- Mari Krussow - (Overton*)
- Tierney Lancaster - rare blood (Baxley*)
- Greg Lewis*
- Connie Moore - (Fulton*)
- Donald McGriff* - new treatment
- Dee Mulligan - lung (Crystall's* mom)
- Angelica Rapson - Stage 4 (Smith*)
- Benjamin Russell - (Susan St.)
- Lewie Joe Smith - (Jeanna E.*)
- Maedell Palmer - (Hatcher*)
- Amy Prince - (Burnham*)
- Angela Southerd - breast
- Meg Stojanik - (Hatcher*)
- Joe Taylor*
- David Walther - brain (English*)
- Lawanna Wishum - (T.Baxley*)

Grieving a Loss

- Mary Lou* & family - loss of mother, Annie
- Davis/Napier families - loss of Jack Davis
- Jeanna English & fam. - loss of mom, Faye
- Myrna Fuller - loss of her daughter
- Good family* - loss of daughter in law, Mary
- Scott Graham* family - loss of Scott
- Hatcher family* - loss of grandmother, Edith
- Jennings* family - loss of brother/uncle, Dale
- Rhonda Locklin* and family - loss of her sister
- Peggy Masoner family - loss of Peggy*
- Joe Martin* - loss of his brother
- Ina Ruth Miller* family - loss of Ina Ruth
- Sharon & Brittany Parker - loss of Tim Parker
- Renee Ray* - loss of her brother, Willard
- Andrea Spradlin* - loss of mother, Joyce
- Lisa Webb* - loss of father, James Richard

Students in College

- Jackson Davis
- Stephen English
- Caitlyn English
- Judsen Jennings
- Jackson Lash
- Ayla Napier

- Hannah Raley
- Lily Weathersbee
- LizAnn Webb
- Elliot Wilson
- Reed Wilson
- Lexi Wildes

Expectant Mothers

- Brooklyn Bostwick* - November 2025
- Andrea Weekley - December 2025 (Avalon)
- Kaelie Hancock - January 2026 (Mense*)
- Holly Andino* - February 2026
- Hannah Newcomb* - February 2026
- Caroline Locklin* - April 2026
- Lauren Godwin* - April 2026
- Emily Hutcheson - April 2026 (Lipford*)

Assisted Living / Shut-Ins / Rehab

- Ron Bartanen* - Victorian Manor
- Viola Burgess* - South FL
- Sherryn Canniff* - Shut In
- Sherry Davis*-The Residence(Davis/Napier*)
- Donna Dudley-Life Care Center (S. Davis*)
- Laura Elliot - homebound (S. Lee* mom)
- Bobbie Garcia*- Fort Walton Beach
- Larry Lester - Eden of Crestview
- Lillian Raines* - Victorian Manor
- Lee Smith- Arcadia, rm.236 (ELipford mom*)
- Marlene Smith - (Fulton*)

Military

- John Bartell - Washington, DC
- Javanta Johnson - NAS Jacksonville Airforce
- Amya Huey* - Italy
- Cody Fulmer-Shaw - Kuwait (A.Turner*)
- Anthony Turner - Saudia Arabia (R.Turner*)

Mission Works

- Shanahans* - Mission Italy
- Eliezer Perez - San Lorenzo, Paraguay
- Trevor Smoot - Domestic Missions
- Sebastain Garcia - Brazil
- SRC Correctional Institute

2025 Recently Baptized/Restored/Identified

- Eddie and Alicia Lynn - Baptized, 1/4/25
- Mathew Zimmerman - Baptized, 3/8/25
- Makayla Armand - Baptized 3/10/25
- Cain Baker - Baptized 3/10/25
- Philip Carnathan - Baptized 3/29/25
- Bella Hudgens - Baptized 5/9/25
- Elena Hudgens - Baptized 5/9/25
- Corrie Davis - Baptized 6/13/25
- Avie Napier - Baptized 6/13/25
- Ainsley Napier - Baptized 6/13/25
- Tim Luker - Baptized, 6/26/25
- Tucker Davis - Baptized, 7/13/25
- Brian Richards - Baptized, 7/25/25
- Daniel Musk - Baptized, 8/10/25
- Bob & Gail Mantie - Identified, 1/12/25
- Tim & Caroline Locklin - Identified, 4/13/25
- Sean & Holly Andino fam.- Identified, 5/4/25
- Rob and Brittany Turner - Identified, 6/22/25
- Angela Fradejas - Identified, 10/12/25
- Ashley Luker - Restored, 6/26/25

FIFTH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL

NOVEMBER 30TH RIGHT AFTER AM SERVICE

Soups & Salads fellowship Bring one or both!

YOU ARE INVITED TO ADULT CHRISTMAS Dinner party

FRIDAY | 12/5 | 6:30 PM FELLOWSHIP HALL

Tickets are \$15 Sign up @ Information Station to attend or decorate a table.

Ladies', You're Invited! CHRISTMAS ORNAMNET EXCHANGE

December 13 10 AM

Fellowship Hall