

October 5, 2025



Church of Christ
Walk and Work Together in the Light

Saul the Sour, or Paul the Pure?

FOCUS 2025

By Christian Frans

“This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering, as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life” (I Timothy 1:15-16).

Saul, later known as Paul, is one of the most fascinating figures in Scripture. His zeal for God shaped his entire life, but at first that zeal was tragically misguided. As a Pharisee trained under the great teacher Gamaliel, Saul was passionate about protecting the purity of the Jewish faith. Yet when we first meet him in Acts, he is approving the death of Stephen and leading the persecution of the church.

On his way to carry out this mission of destruction, Saul encountered Jesus on the road to Damascus. In that moment, he discovered that the very one he persecuted was in fact the Lord he claimed to serve. Blinded for three days, he was taught what he must do and was baptized to be made pure. From then on, the same passion that once fueled hatred now fueled a mission of grace, forgiveness, and truth.

Paul never lost his zeal—but now it was guided by love for Christ. His life became a testimony that no one is too far gone for God’s mercy. The grace that was bestowed upon him now became his mission and his message.

Like Paul, we were once enemies of God. But through Christ’s blood, we are made new and sent to share His grace with the world. The question for us then becomes, will we live like Paul the Pure, or Saul the Sour?

My prayer is that we all choose to live like Paul and live out the Mission and Message of grace.

Sunday: Worship 10:30am & Class 5:00pm

Tuesday: Benevolence 9:00–10:00am & Young at Heart Class 10:30am

Wednesday: Class 6:30pm

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Blinded by the Light

Scripture Reading: Isa. 35:5-6

Biblical Examples: Spiritual _____ & Physical _____

Introduction:

Conversion of Saul: Acts 9:1-31; Acts 22:6-16; Acts 26:12-18

- Zeal without Knowledge is _____ without _____ (Acts 9:1-2).
 - Rom. 10:2; Prov. 19:2
- Blindness Can Bring _____
 - We need to be _____ before we can truly see.
- Transformation requires _____
 - _____ & trust unlock God's power in our lives.
 - "Calling on the Name of the Lord" = _____.
 - Joel 2:32; Acts 2:21; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16; Rom. 10:13
- God can use _____!
 - _____ to a King
 - _____ defeats a warrior
 - Boy's _____ feeds 5000.
- Radical Encounters Change Your _____.
 - Saul did a _____.
 - Acts 9:20; Matt. 6:24; James 4:4

Conclusion:

Will you allow the _____ of the Gospel to transform your life?

Cegado por la luz

Lectura bíblica: Isaías 35:5-6

Ejemplos bíblicos: _____ espiritual y _____ físico

Introducción:

Conversión de Saulo: Hechos 9:1-31; Hechos 22:6-16; Hechos 26:12-18

- El celo sin conocimiento es _____ sin _____ (Hechos 9:1-2).
 - Romanos 10:2; Proverbios 19:2
- La ceguera puede traer _____
 - Necesitamos ser _____ antes de poder ver verdaderamente.
- La transformación requiere _____
 - _____ y la confianza liberan el poder de Dios en nuestras vidas.
 - "Invocando el Nombre del Señor" = _____.
 - Joel 2:32; Hechos 2:21; Hechos 2:38; Hechos 22:16; Romanos 10:13
- ¡Dios puede usar _____!
 - _____ a un rey
 - _____ derrota a un guerrero
 - El _____ del niño alimenta a 5000.
- Los encuentros radicales cambian tu _____.
 - Saúl hizo un _____.
 - Hechos 9:20; Mateo 6:24; Santiago 4:4

Conclusión :

¿Permitirás que la _____ del Evangelio transforme tu vida?

DOES GOD REALLY CARE?

The Lectures at Westhill
October 12-15, 2025

Sunday

10:30 About What I believe about Him? (Jeremy Pate)
5:00 About Science? (Jeremy Pate)
6:00 About Me? (John Gooch)

Monday

10:30 How to be Joyful in Trials (John Gooch)
6:00 About Grieving and Suffering? (John Baker)
7:00 About Addiction? (Cory Waddell)

Tuesday

10:30 How to Submit to God (John Baker)
6:00 About Active Membership? (Jeremy Pate)
7:00 About Active Worship? (John Baker)

Wednesday

10:30 How to Overcome Sin (Cory Waddell)
6:00 About Evangelism? (Jeremy Pate)
7:00 About Our Salvation? (Cory Waddell)

Church Leadership & Westhill Works

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Staff

Jay Mahoney - 903.467.9093 (Office)

Community Outreach

Addiction [Recovery](#) Counseling
Benevolence Program

Food for Fitness

Forever His

Wed. Night Focus Groups

Spanish ESL Classes

Local Missions

Apologetics Press - Jeremy Pate
Bear Valley - Wayne Jones
Cherokee Children's Home
Disaster Relief
The Jenkins Institute
Memphis School of Preaching
WVBS school.wvbs.org

U.S. Mission Points

Tilton, NH & Mesa, AZ

Foreign Missions

Cameroon Preacher Training
India Preacher Training

Prayer Needs:

Carl Max Bennett – Completed first round of chemo and will continue treatment at Medical City over next 3 weeks.

Martha Dowdle – Completed radiation and chemo; CT scheduled next week; monitoring blood counts.

Jim Bess – Recovering from open-heart surgery last week.

Naomi Martinez (sister of Sam Ramirez) – Successful surgery; recovering at home.

Beverly Heathcote – Recovering from broken ribs.

David Mahoney – Upcoming medical procedure on Oct. 9.

Our Sympathy to those who lost loved ones:

- Robby Thomas and Dan Thomas family in the passing of **Barney Thomas**.

- **Gerry Harris** family (Kerens Church of Christ).

- **Becky Loosier** family, including the Russell, Smith, Heathcote, and Thomas families.

Continue to remember: Bronny & Ruth Watson, Dan & Rita Dominy, Eula Henry, John Braly, Louie & Patty Williams, Nick Tooley, Becky Loosier, Barbara Gould, Bill & Beverly Abercrombie, Alan Stewart, Mike Wylie, Martha Dowdle, Percell Milton, Jon Compton, Larry Hartsell, & Martha Olsen

Announcements:

We rejoice that **Jordan Anderson** obeyed the Gospel and was baptized into Christ!

Westhill Lectureship - 10/12 - 10/15
“Does God Really Care???”

Singing to the Shut-ins - Sun 10/19 meet in the Family Room after evening service.

Clothing Exchange/Giveaway - Ladies, start clearing out your family's closets! The fall Clothing Exchange/Giveaway date will be announced soon.

English Second Language Classes (ESL) - 3rd & 4th Wed. Nights of each month @6:30pm.

Spanish Bible Classes Sun & Wed. Night.

Young at Heart Class meets on Tues. @ 10:30am.

Westhill ARC (Addiction Recovery Counseling) meets weekly - contact Jay Mahoney

Dear brothers and sisters at Westhill, Thank you all for the prayers for minimal pain and quicky recovery for my shoulder surgery. - **Donna Brooks**

Staffed nursery available for babies up to 2 yr old.
Nursery Attendant this week: **Kristin Haden**

This Week's Birthdays

October 5 - Deylon Drain

October 7 - Joanne Newton

October 10 - Betty Jo Striplin

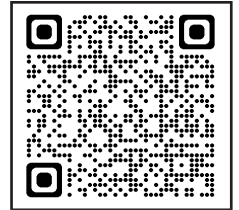
Records for September 28, 2025

AM Worship..... 202

Contribution\$8,137

Visitor Form

Thank you for joining us for worship! We would love to follow-up with you...



Privileged to Serve

AM Song Leader

Joshua Haden

AM Opening Prayer

Ronnie Giles

Scripture Reading

Carson Barham

Communion Leader

Joel Haden

Communion Servers

Jason Burnett

James Horn

Marcus Dancer

Joshua Miller

Colton Gowan

Josh Newman

Levi Haden

Jeremiah Parrish

Thomas Helms

Paul Wells

AM Closing Prayer

Tyler Baumgartner

PM Song Leader

Joshua Haden

PM Opening Prayer

Cash Hendrix

PM Devo

Jay Mahoney

PM Closing Prayer

Terry Hoehn

Wed. Song Leader

Joel Haden

Wed. Invitation

Tyler Baumgartner

Oct. Worship Coord.

Casey Hendrix / Rusty Smith

Oct. Elder of Month

Paul Stewart