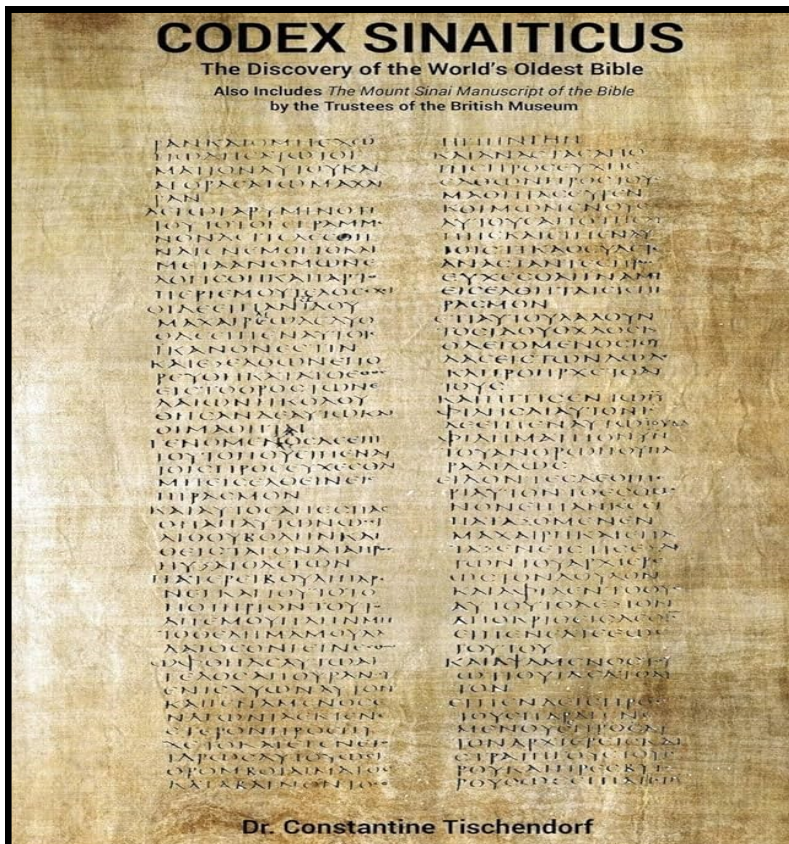


Several years ago, the oldest surviving manuscript of the Bible, the Codex Sinaiticus, was fully digitized and put up on the Web (you can view it at <https://www.codexsinaiticus.org/en/>). I must say that it was just about as exciting to me to view as when I traveled to Israel in 1996. From its website:

The Codex Sinaiticus, a manuscript of the Christian Bible written in the middle of the fourth century, contains the earliest complete copy of the Christian New Testament. The handwritten text is in Greek. The New Testament appears in the original vernacular language (koine) and the Old Testament in the version, known as the Septuagint, that was adopted by early Greek-speaking Christians. In the Codex, the text of both the Septuagint and the New Testament has been heavily annotated by a series of early correctors. The significance of Codex Sinaiticus for the reconstruction of the Christian Bible's original text, the history of the Bible and the history of Western bookmaking is immense.

You are probably like me, in that I take the Bible for granted so much that I often forget how old it is, and how many times it was translated, studied, and prayed over so that we might have it in its present form today.

Of course, the Bible's greatest gift to us is that it is a living book, not just a historical book of antiquity. And in perhaps the greatest play on words of all time, we read in John's Gospel that Jesus is the logos – that is, The Word. So within the written word, we have The Word – Jesus of Nazareth, the Christ.



So the next time you pick up your Bible, be careful. It's alive, you know!

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*"Leading people to
Christ, Learning to
be Disciples,
Loving through Service."*



United Women in Faith began this year of service, August 11th at Liberty Hall, with a Ladies Luncheon. The group will meet the second Monday of each month at noon in Fellowship Hall. Each meeting is scheduled to last an hour and will include lunch, a time of devotion, and either a special speaker or short project.

Please join us at our next meeting, **September 8th**, with guest speaker Mrs. Nancy Hughes.

WE NEED YOUR TREASURES!



United Women in Faith are currently collecting gently used items to include in their upcoming rummage sale. Please bring items you would like to donate to the church by noon, September 12. Proceeds from the sale will go to help fund the many ministries the group supports. Contact Kathy Wallace, Martha McDaniel or the church office for more information.



August 23 Rob Hendren
 August 24 Wally Burdette
 Owen Shipley
 August 26 Rylee Ford
 August 27 Christie Caldwell
 Matthew Hughes
 August 28 Gage Stone
 August 29 Evelyn Chapman
 Rick David
 Tate David

August 30 Beth Kinkead
 Sylvia Peeler
 August 31 Nancy McKenzie
 Alice Sigler
 September 2 Oscar Brock
 September 3 Nancy Peeler
 Haylee Timberlake
 September 4 Margaret Peeler
 Laura Thornton
 September 5 Therica Robison
 September 7 Steve Clark
 Phyllis Richmond
 Nancy Ward
 September 8 Marty Burlison
 Debbie Winberry
 September 9 Nola Carter
 Bill Hendren

GIVING & ATTENDANCE

August 10, 2025

In Person 8:30 service:	81
In Person 11:00 service:	122
Sunday School:	77
Facebook Views 8:30 service:	311
Facebook Views 11:00 service:	528
Offering:	\$3,688.00

August 17, 2025

In Person 8:30 service:	78
In Person 11:00 service:	100
Sunday School:	79
Facebook Views 8:30 service:	330
Facebook Views 11:00 service:	544
Offering:	\$2,047.00

Pray
WITH US

Physical Concerns

Faye Beckett
 Gail Ganier
 Sophie Nolan
 W. W. Ray
 Shirley Young

Undergoing Treatment for Cancer

Lydia Anderson	Tucker James
Kenneth Coulston	Rickey Lindsey
Bettye Davis	Jennifer Jones Moore
Janet Greggs	Ellen Sherrill
Robert Hurt	

Condolences

Family of Bobbie Waits

TRIBUTES & MEMORIALS

In Honor of **Lydia Anderson**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Skip and Kendy Erwin

In Honor of **Elton Bryant**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Nancy McKenzie

In Memory of **Katie Cooley**

Organ Restoration Fund by Glenn and Kyle Maclin

In Memory of **Rosemary Hanson**

Organ Restoration Fund by Carolyn Locke

In Memory of **Barbra Racy**

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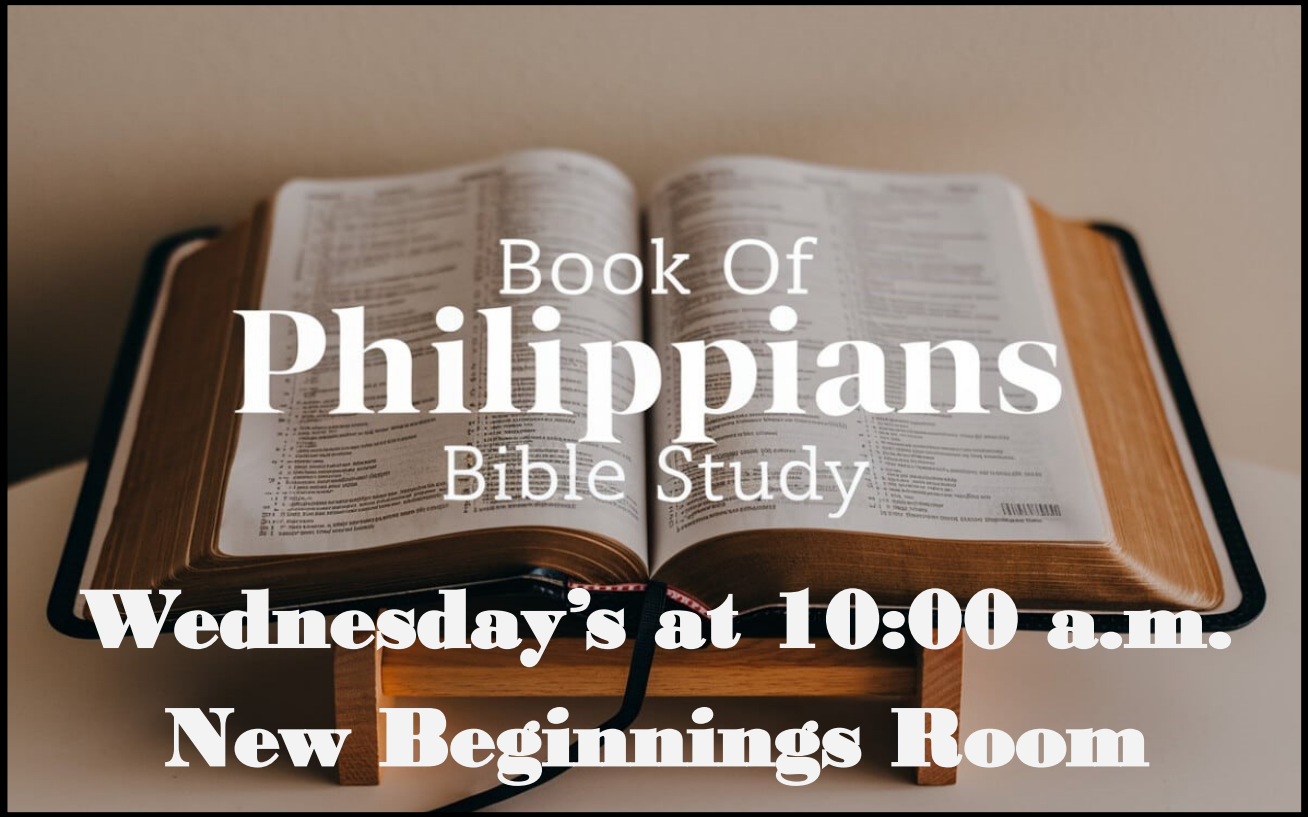
Organ Restoration Fund by Waymon and Naomi McDade

In Memory of **Delynda Rhodes**

Organ Restoration Fund by Carolyn Locke

In Memory of **Bobbie Waits**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Skip and Kendy Erwin

An open Bible with text overlaid. The text reads: "Book Of Philippians Bible Study". The Bible is open to a page with text, and the text is overlaid in a large, white, serif font. The background is a soft, out-of-focus image of the Bible's pages.

Book Of
Philippians
Bible Study

Wednesday's at 10:00 a.m.

New Beginnings Room

Event Calendar

Saturday, August 23:

9:00 AM: Bread of Life Food Pantry, Munford

Sunday, August 24:

8:30 AM: Modern Worship - Christian Life Center

9:45 AM: Sunday School

11:00 AM: Traditional Worship - Sanctuary

2:00 PM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Monday, August 25:

10:00 AM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Tuesday, August 26:

9:00 AM: Tipton County Line Dancers - Christian Life Center

4:00 PM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Wednesday, August 27:

10:00 AM: Adult Bible Study - New Beginnings room

Thursday, August 28:

7:00 AM: Men's Prayer Breakfast - Fellowship Hall

10:00 AM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Sunday, August 31:

8:30 AM: Modern Worship - Christian Life Center

9:45 AM: Sunday School

11:00 AM: Traditional Worship - Sanctuary

2:00 PM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Monday, September 1 **Labor Day (Church Offices Closed):**

10:00 AM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Tuesday, September 2:

9:00 AM: Tipton County Line Dancers - Christian Life Center

4:00 PM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Wednesday, September 3:

10:00 AM: Adult Bible Study - New Beginnings Room

5:30 PM: Fall Kickoff - **Burgers & Bingo** - Christian Life Center

Thursday, September 4:

7:00 AM: Men's Prayer Breakfast - Fellowship Hall

10:00 AM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Saturday, September 6:

9:00 AM: Bread of Life Food Pantry, Covington



WORSHIP TIMES

Modern Worship
Sundays at 8:30 a.m.
Christian Life Center

Traditional Worship
Sundays at 11:00 a.m.
Sanctuary

Kicking off Fall with Burgers & Bingo



**Wednesday, September 3,
@ 5:30 pm in the
Christian Life Center**



***Everyone is invited,
Bring a Friend for
food, fellowship, fun
& prizes!!***

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