



The Clarion

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January 10, 2021



Wear Your Mask, Love Your Neighbor

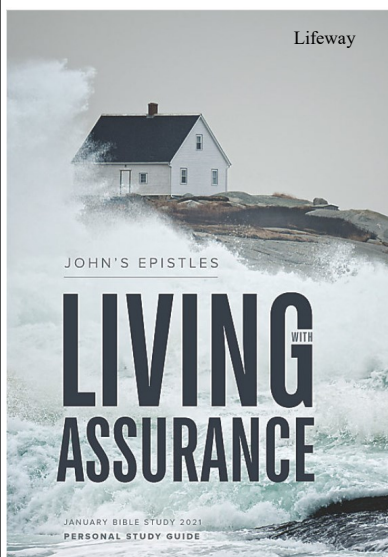
Several years ago an anonymous person hired an advertising agency in Fort Lauderdale, Florida to produce "Billboards from God". Some of these billboards posted nationwide included, "Loved The Wedding, Invite Me To The Marriage" – God, "We Need To Talk" – God, and "Have You Read My #1 Best Seller? There Will Be A Test." – God. Sure, the creators of these billboards took some liberties in the wording of these 'God messages', but for the most part they were not heretical or disrespectful. Without a doubt these billboards attracted much attention and gave observers much to ponder.

One particular "Billboard from God" emerges straight from Scripture. It reads, "That "Love Thy Neighbor" Thing, I Meant It." – God.

Jesus affirms this when He teaches that the second greatest commandment (after loving God with all one's heart, soul, mind and strength) is *'You shall love your neighbor as yourself'* (Matthew 22:39). Later, Paul teaches that loving one's neighbor fulfills the entire law (Galatians 5:14).

Church family, the current state of COVID-19 in our region calls for us obey God's command in a real and practical manner. In July of 2020 the Alabama Department of Public Health and Governor Ivey issued a statewide mask mandate for Alabamians going into public places in addition to practicing social distancing. At that time First Baptist Headland requested that everyone attending our in-person services comply with the mandate. Our church staff appreciates the efforts our church members have given to comply. Likely due to the recent holiday gatherings, however, COVID-19 cases in our area have increased dramatically. Hospitalizations due to COVID-19 have risen rapidly. Our medical professionals are greatly stretched. For these reasons we are asking that everyone attending our in-person services practice social distancing AND wear his or her mask the entire time while indoors. Not only is this wise, it is a true expression of 'loving our neighbor'. Remember, we encourage senior adults and/or those with underlying health issues to participate in our online worship options via Facebook and YouTube. We all look forward to the day when this virus is eradicated. But until then, let us all do our part to love our neighbor as ourselves by practicing social distancing and wearing masks when we meet in-person.

Thank you in advance!
Cecil Sanders



January 2021 Bible Study John's Epistles Living with Assurance Starting this Sunday, January 10th!

Books are available for \$10 at the Information Desk.

John wrote to combat false doctrines about the identity of Jesus and how His identity impacted a believer's everyday life. Some questioned if Jesus was fully human and physical while others questioned Him being the Christ. In both cases, sin was minimized. Believers have fellowship with Christ, who is God incarnate. Through walking in the light of this relationship and living in love, they are secure in the eternal life given through faith in Christ.

The focus of this study is on how a person's understanding of Jesus impacts their daily lives in practical ways. False teachers with an incomplete understanding of Jesus as both human and deity have sought to mislead believers and continue to seek to do so today. Believers will come to understand that they can live with assurance of their eternal life by living in light of their relationship with Jesus.

Bridge to Tomorrow Fund	
Giving 1-3-2021	\$2,590.00
Total Giving to Date	\$647,494.44
12-20-2020 Fund Balance	\$61,905.43

Our People Gave January 3, 2021	
Weekly Need	\$22,317.74
Weekly Received	\$14,995.00
Over (Under) Budget	(\$7,322.74)

2021 Year-To-Date	
Budget Required	\$22,317.74
Budget Received	\$14,995.00
Over (Under)	(\$7,322.74)

Worship 1-3-2021	147
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2020 Year-To-Date	
Bud. Received 12-27-20	\$60,217.25
Budget Required	\$1,160,522.48
Budget Received	\$1,186,129.43
Over (Under) Budget	\$25,606.95

Lottie Moon	\$143,338.82
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Services Online
www.fbcheadland.com
 FBC Headland (YouTube/Facebook)

Sunday
 10:00 AM Worship Service

Monday
 Weekly Announcements & Devotion

Wednesday
 6:00 PM Devotional & Prayer Time

Thursday
 7:00 PM Bible Studies for Life

FBC Staff

Cecil Sanders, Senior Pastor
Mike Wehner, Associate Pastor
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Memorials and Honorariums

Bridge To Tomorrow in Memory of Wanda Bird Steinhauer
 Sherry & Bobby Dean

Bridge To Tomorrow in Memory of Art de la Croix

Class of 1967 Headland High School, Jimmy & Sharon Newsom, Ralph Givens,
 Mavis & James Willis, Jimmy & Cornelia King, Charlotte Nichols
 Cecil & Doris Sanders, Tony & Sandy Parrish,
 Robert Jordan, Roy Cooper, James & Martha Oaks

Bridge To Tomorrow in Memory of Mable Massey

James Weeks Sunday School Class, Roy Cooper

Bridge To Tomorrow in Memory of Darwin Kelly

Ralph Givens, Charlotte Nichols

General Fund in Memory of Bill Samuels

General Fund in Memory of Oyette Taylor

General Fund in Memory of Art de la Croix

General Fund in Memory of Ausley Jones

Helen Jones

Bridge To Tomorrow in Memory of Kevin Brown Woodham

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Bridge To Tomorrow in Memory of Annette Pitts

Jennifer Carpenter, Roy Cooper Jr., Randy Wiggins

Bridge To Tomorrow in Memory of Jim Burnham

Mark & Jane Gamble, J & S Mortician, Benton & Jan Beasley,
 David Ritchie, William Thompson, Phyllis Wings,
 Henry & Brenda Stroup, Cindy DeShazo

Bridge To Tomorrow in Memory of Sam Moore

Bridge To Tomorrow in Memory of Bobby Granger

Cindy DeShazo

Altar Flowers

The flowers placed in the Worship Center this Sunday are given by Ray and Margaret Walden in honor of their son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Samantha, their grandchildren, Hunter and Ashton and Haley Walden and Hollie and Garrett Lisenby and in loving memory of their parents, Ben and Annie Lou Walden and Emmette and Marie Tate.

Food Drive

Our church collected 940 lbs. of food for the Food Drive!
 Thank you church family for your donations!

