



January 14, 2018

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## Announcements

### Wednesday Nights

Wednesday, **January 17**, the menu is **Salisbury Steak**. Sign up in the hall, indicating how many meals you are purchasing.

### Senior Saints

They will have lunch together at the Windsor Cafeteria, Largo at Abercorn, next to Harbor Freight Tools. Sign the list in the hall and meet there on Tuesday, **January 16**, at 11:30 a.m.

### Young Adult Bible Study

Thursday, **January 18**, new time **6:30 p.m.**, at the Sheffields'.

### Youth Movie Night

Friday, **January 19**, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Tim will be showing the film *The Case for Christ*, the story of Christian author Lee Strobel. All are invited!

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## This Week at FABC

### Today

Coffee Fellowship	9:00 a.m.
Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Adult Choir Practice	4:30 p.m.
Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.

### Wednesday

Dinner: Salisbury Steak	5:45 p.m.
Awana & Youth	6:30 p.m.
Prayer & Bible Study	7:00 p.m.



## Women of Light Retreat

Our Women of Light Retreat at Epworth by the Sea is scheduled for

**Friday and Saturday,  
January 26 & 27, 2018.**

Linda Brucato is our speaker. The cost is \$55.

Please sign up in the hall!

**Epworth requires a final count  
by January 19!**

**Payment is due January 21!**

We have 20 rooms reserved. Each room has two queen beds, so at double occupancy, we have space for 40 women. However, if anyone is willing to share a bed, we can take up to 80. We also have the bus on standby for those who would rather not drive themselves. Please put an asterisk (\*) by your name if you are interested in riding the bus.

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Ric Zittrouer	210-0344

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10:30 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

\* Opening Chorus & Greeting

“I Sing the Mighty  
Power of God”

*Words are on the back of the bulletin*

\* Call to Worship

Isaiah 58:11

\* Hymn #291

“Guide Me, O Thou  
Great Jehovah”

Scripture Reading

Acts 8:14-25

Bob Dimmitt

Special Music

Receiving of Tithes And  
Offerings

\* Hymn #334

“Be Thou My Vision”

Message

Bob Dimmitt

*The 70 Weeks of Daniel, Part 2*

*Daniel 9:24-27, The Imminent Return of Christ #2*

\* Hymn, to right

“Doxology”

6:00 p.m.

Welcome and Announcements

\* Hymn #498

“When We All Get to Heaven”

Prayer

Receiving of Tithes And  
Offerings

Hymn, bulletin p. 6

“How Sweet and Awful  
Is the Place”

Hymn #142

“Jesus Shall Reign”

Message

Bob Dimmitt

*“You were...But now”*

*Ephesians 5:7-13, Ephesians #97*

\* Hymn, bulletin p. 7

“Benediction”

### **Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings  
flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen

\* All those who are able, please stand.

## A.M. Notes

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The 70 Weeks of Daniel, Part 2  
The Imminent Return of Christ #2  
Daniel 9:24-27

**Dan 9:26b** The phrase “*come with (or come like) a flood*” describes the destruction of the city and sanctuary as sudden and devastating, resulting from a massive invading force.

**9:26c** The phrase “*even to the end there will be war*” seems to extend way beyond the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 AD.

The final phrase is “*desolations are determined*” (several other translations say *desolations are decreed*). This also seems to be part of what extends “*to the end*”.

Also at this midpoint, the prince who is to come shall “*stop the sacrifice and grain offering*”. The mention of the sacrifice and grain offering refers to activities within the Jewish temple.

**This hints that there will be enough of a temple in Jerusalem at the time this prophecy is fulfilled.**

Jesus taught that there would be an “*abomination of desolation*”

**Matt 24:15-16**

Daniel also mentioned this same future abomination of desolation in **Dan 12:11**

The Christian life is not only being what God wants you to be but it is being what He wants you to be **where** He wants you to be.

**Mark 10:42-45**

The word minister is not a title of power, but a designation of servanthood.

**John 13:3-5, and 13-17**

“You were...But now”

Ephesians #97

Ephesians 5:7-13

Remembering who you were should serve to motivate you now to live as who you truly are!

**Eph 2:1-5**

**Eph 2:11-13**

**Walk** is one of 16 commands Paul directs to Christians in chapter 5. Other 15 are:

1. Walk in love (5:2)
2. Do not let sexual sins be named among you (vs. 3);
3. Let no one deceive you (vs. 6);
4. Do not be partakers with them (vs. 7),
5. Walk as children of light (vs. 8),
  
6. Have no fellowship with the works of darkness (vs. 11),
7. Expose the works of darkness (vs. 11),
8. Awake from sleep and death (vs. 14),
9. Walk circumspectly (vs. 15),
10. Walk as wise men (vs. 15),
  
11. Redeem the time (vs. 16),
12. Do not be foolish (vs. 17);
13. Understand the will of God (vs. 17),
14. Do not be drunk with wine (vs. 18),
15. Be continually filled with (controlled by) the Spirit (vs. 18)

Two good tests of whether something is pleasing to the Lord...

(1) Will it

(2) Will I

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## Quarterly Meeting

Our quarterly meeting will take place Sunday, **January 21**, at 5:00 p.m. The meeting will include our deacon election, and the nominees are John Sumner and Jimmy Creech.

## After Church Fellowship

We are having an After Church Fellowship on Sunday, **January 21**, after evening worship. Bring snacks and finger foods to share! Creeches and Wises will serve. If you are interested in helping with this ministry 2 - 3 times per year, please contact Dawn in the office. We are in need of more volunteers.

## Calendar Items

If you have a church related event you would like put on the February printed calendar, email it to dawn@fabchurch.com, by Wednesday, **January 24**.

## Sacred Harp Singing

The Savannah Sacred Harp Singers will meet on Saturday, **February 10**, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Come on by to sing Christ-honoring four part acapella music for fun! Loaner books are available. Talk to Dawn Stanford if you have any questions.

## Weekly Catechism Question

### Question #35:

What is effectual calling?

### Answer:

Effectual calling is the work of God's Spirit, to convince us of our sin and misery, to enlighten our minds in the knowledge of Christ, to renew our wills, and thus persuade and enable us to embrace Jesus Christ, freely offered to us in the gospel.

### Scripture:

2 Timothy 1:9;  
John 6:44, 45; 16:8-11;  
Acts 2:37; 26:18; Ezekiel 36:26;  
Romans 8:30; 1 Corinthians 1:24; 12:3.

If there is no God and we live in a strictly material, evolving universe, violence and suffering are just a part of the natural world with no inherent morality attached to them. In this case violence would not be evil; it would simply be a part of the evolutionary process. Without God compassion for others is nothing but chemical changes in the brain. Suffering is meaningless, violence is meaningless. There is no such thing as good or evil.

**Bob Dimmitt**

**T**he Bible teaches that, in a general sense, **all suffering is rooted in cosmic rebellion against a God who tried to tell us what to do.** Due to this rebellion the good & perfect world God created descended in a downward spiral.

**Because we all, not only corporately but also individually, are part of this rebellion, we approach the question of God and His role in human suffering with the notion that we are undeserving of this evil world.**

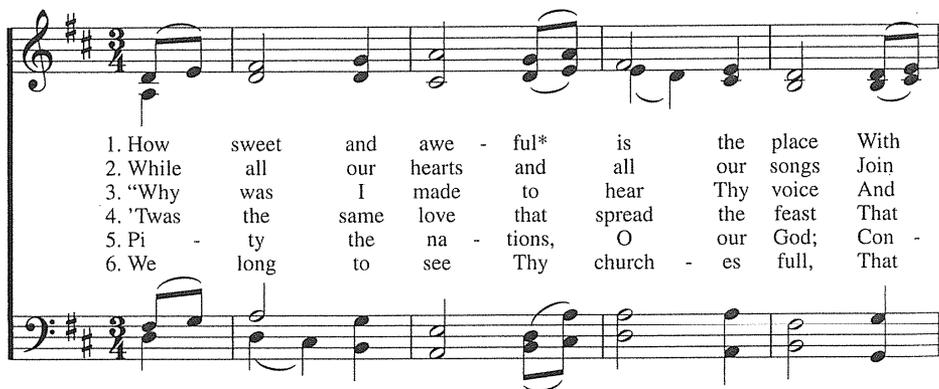
YET the Bible sees things in view of this cosmic rebellion and insists that God graciously gives good things to the world despite our evil. From this perspective perhaps it would be more appropriate to speak of the "problem of good": in view of all our individual and corporate evil, how is it that God, in His love, gives us so many of the good things we enjoy in this world?

**Romans 5:8**, *But God proves His own love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us!*

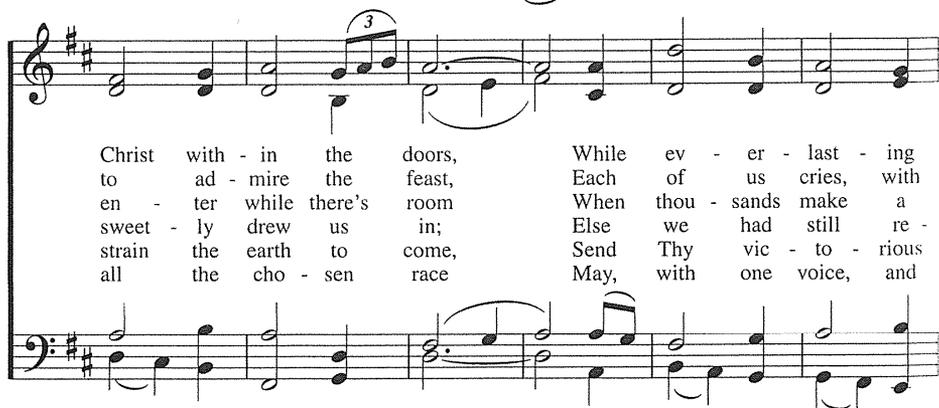
**Suffering entered the world because God's creatures rebelled.**

# Music

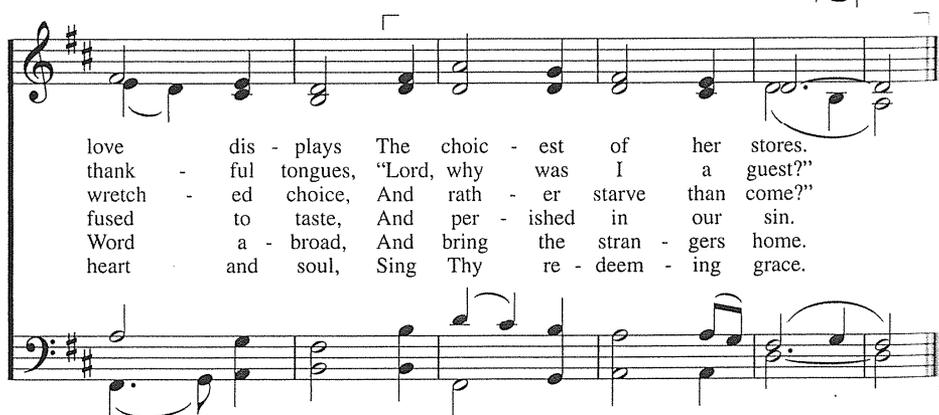
## How Sweet and Aweful Is the Place



1. How sweet and awe - ful\* is the place With  
2. While all our hearts and all our songs Join  
3. "Why was I made to hear Thy voice And  
4. 'Twas the same love that spread the feast That  
5. Pi - ty the na - tions, O our God; Con -  
6. We long to see Thy church - es full, That



Christ with - in the doors, While ev - er - last - ing  
to ad - mire the feast, Each of us cries, with  
en - ter while there's room When thou - sands make a  
sweet - ly drew us in; Else we had still re -  
strain the earth to come, Send Thy vic - to - rious  
all the cho - sen race May, with one voice, and



love dis - plays The choic - est of her stores.  
thank - ful tongues, "Lord, why was I a guest?"  
wretch - ed choice, And rath - er starve than come?"  
fused to taste, And per - ished in our sin.  
Word a - broad, And bring the stran - gers home.  
heart and soul, Sing Thy re - deem - ing grace.

\*aweful = inspiring reverential wonder or fear

# Benediction

1. May the peace of God our Heav-'nly Fa - ther, and the grace of  
2. May this peace which pass-es un - der - stand - ing, and this grace which

Christ the ris - en Son, And the fel - low-ship of God the Spir - it keep our  
makes us what we are, And this fel - low-ship of His com - mun - ion make us

hearts and minds with - in His love. And to Him be praise for His  
one in spir - it and in heart.

glo - rious reign, from the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n; We de -

clare the name of the Lamb once slain, Christ e - ter - nal, the King of kings!

# Articles

## It's 'digital heroin': How screens turn kids into psychotic junkies

By Dr. Nicholas Kardaras

Susan\* bought her 6-year-old son John an iPad when he was in first grade. “I thought, ‘Why not let him get a jump on things?’” she told me during a therapy session. John’s school had begun using the devices with younger and younger grades — and his technology teacher had raved about their educational benefits — so Susan wanted to do what was best for her sandy-haired boy who loved reading and playing baseball.

She started letting John play different educational games on his iPad. Eventually, he discovered Minecraft, which the technology teacher assured her was “just like electronic Lego.” Remembering how much fun she had as a child building and playing with the interlocking plastic blocks, Susan let her son Minecraft his afternoons away.

At first, Susan was quite pleased. John seemed engaged in creative play as he explored the cube-world of the game. She did notice that the game wasn’t quite like the Legos that she remembered — after all, she didn’t have to kill animals and find rare minerals to survive and get to the next level with her beloved old game. But John did seem to really like playing and the school even had a Minecraft club, so how bad could it be?

Still, Susan couldn’t deny she was seeing changes in John. He started getting more and more focused on his game and losing interest in baseball and reading while refusing to do his chores. Some mornings he would wake up and tell her that he could see the cube shapes in his dreams.

Although that concerned her, she thought her son might just be exhibiting an active imagination. **As his behavior continued to deteriorate, she tried to take the game away but John threw temper tantrums. His outbursts were so severe that she gave in, still rationalizing to herself over and over again that “it’s educational.”**

Then, one night, ...She found him sitting up in his bed staring wide-eyed, his bloodshot eyes looking into the distance as his glowing iPad lay next to him. He seemed to be in a trance. Susan had to shake the boy repeatedly to snap him out of it. Distraught, she could not understand how her once-healthy and happy little boy had become so addicted to the game that he wound up in a catatonic stupor.

**There’s a reason that the most tech-cautious parents are tech designers and engineers.** Steve Jobs was a notoriously low-tech parent. Silicon Valley tech executives and engineers enroll their kids in no-tech Waldorf Schools. Google founders Sergey Brin and Larry Page went to no-tech Montessori Schools, as did Amazon creator Jeff Bezos and Wikipedia founder Jimmy Wales.

**Many parents intuitively understand that ubiquitous glowing screens are having a negative effect on kids. We see the aggressive temper tantrums when the**

devices are taken away and the wandering attention spans when children are not perpetually stimulated by their hyper-arousing devices. Worse, we see children who become bored, apathetic, uninteresting and uninterested when not plugged in.

### **But it's even worse than we think.**

We now know that those iPads, smartphones and Xboxes are a form of digital drug. **Recent brain imaging research is showing that they affect the brain's frontal cortex — which controls executive functioning, including impulse control — in exactly the same way that cocaine does. Technology is so hyper-arousing that it raises dopamine levels — the feel-good neurotransmitter most involved in the addiction dynamic — as much as sex.**

This addictive effect is why Dr. Peter Whybrow, director of neuroscience at UCLA, calls screens “electronic cocaine” and Chinese researchers call them “digital heroin.” In fact, Dr. Andrew Doan, the head of addiction research for the Pentagon and the US Navy — who has been researching video game addiction — calls video games and screen technologies “digital pharmakeia” (Greek for drug).

That's right — your kid's brain on Minecraft looks like a brain on drugs. No wonder we have a hard time peeling kids from their screens and find our little ones agitated when their screen time is interrupted. In addition, **hundreds of clinical studies show that screens increase depression, anxiety and aggression and can even lead to psychotic-like features where the video gamer loses touch with reality.**

**In my clinical work with over 1,000 teens over the past 15 years, I have found the old axiom of “An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure” to be especially true when it comes to tech addiction. Once a kid has crossed the line into true tech addiction, treatment can be very difficult. Indeed, I have found it easier to treat heroin and crystal meth addicts than lost-in-the-matrix video gamers or Facebook-dependent social media addicts.**

According to a 2013 Policy Statement by the American Academy of Pediatrics, 8- to 10 year-olds spend 8 hours a day with various digital media while teenagers spend 11 hours in front of screens. One in three kids are using tablets or smartphones before they can talk.

Once a person crosses over the line into full-blown addiction — drug, digital or otherwise — they need to detox before any other kind of therapy can have any chance of being effective. **With tech, that means a full digital detox — no computers, no smartphones, no tablets. The extreme digital detox even eliminates television. The prescribed amount of time is four to six weeks; that's the amount of time that is usually required for a hyper-aroused nervous system to reset itself.** But that's no easy task in our current tech-filled society where screens are ubiquitous. A person can live without drugs or alcohol; with tech addiction, digital temptations are everywhere.

So how do we keep our children from crossing this line? It's not easy. The key is to prevent your 4-, 5- or 8-year-old from getting hooked on screens to begin with. That means **Lego instead of Minecraft; books instead of iPads; nature and sports instead of TV.** If you have to, demand that your child's school not give them a tablet or Chromebook until they are at least 10 years old (others recommend 12).

Have honest discussions with your child about why you are limiting their screen access. Eat dinner with your children without any electronic devices at the table — just as Steve Jobs used to have tech-free dinners with his kids.

**Developmental psychologists understand that children’s healthy development involves social interaction, creative imaginative play and an engagement with the real, natural world. Unfortunately, the immersive and addictive world of screens dampens and stunts those developmental processes.**

**We also know that kids are more prone to addictive escape if they feel alone, alienated, purposeless and bored.** Thus the solution is often to help kids to connect to meaningful real-life experiences and flesh-and-blood relationships. The engaged child tethered to creative activities and connected to his or her family is less likely to escape into the digital fantasy world. Yet even if a child has the best and most loving support, he or she could fall into the Matrix once they engage with hypnotic screens and experience their addicting effect.

In the end, Susan removed John’s tablet, but recovery was an uphill battle. Four years later, after much support and reinforcement, John is doing much better today. He has learned to use a desktop computer in a healthier way, and has gotten some sense of balance back in his life: He’s playing on a baseball team and has several close friends in his middle school. But his mother is still vigilant and remains a positive and proactive force with his tech usage because, as with any addiction, relapse can sneak up in moments of weakness. Making sure that he has healthy outlets, **no computer in his bedroom** and a nightly tech-free dinner at the dinner table are all part of the solution.

*\*Patients’ names have been changed.*

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## **Digital Heroin: A Quick Summary and Reminder**

by David Murray

Did you know that the most tech-cautious parents are tech designers and engineers?

Nick Kardaras, author of *Glow Kids: How Screen Addiction is Hijacking Our Kids-7 How to Break the Trance*, pointed out in a recent article that “Steve Jobs was a notoriously low-tech parent. Silicon Valley tech executives and engineers enroll their kids in no-tech Waldorf Schools. Google founders Sergey Brin and Larry Page went to no-tech Montessori Schools, as did Amazon creator Jeff Bezos and Wikipedia founder Jimmy Wales.”

What do they know that we don’t? It’s that iPads, smartphones and Xboxes are a form of digital drug.

- **Recent brain imaging research is showing that they affect the brain’s frontal cortex** — which controls executive functioning, including impulse control — **in exactly the same way that cocaine does.**

- Technology is so hyper-arousing that it raises dopamine levels — the feel-good neurotransmitter most involved in the addiction dynamic — as much as sex.
- This addictive effect is why Dr. Peter Whybrow, director of neuroscience at UCLA, calls screens “electronic cocaine” and Chinese researchers call them “digital heroin.”
- Dr. Andrew Doan, the head of addiction research for the Pentagon and the US Navy — who has been researching video game addiction — calls video games and screen technologies “digital pharmakeia” (Greek for drug).
- Hundreds of clinical studies show that screens increase depression, anxiety, aggression, and can even lead to psychotic-like features where the video gamer loses touch with reality.
- According to a 2013 Policy Statement by the American Academy of Pediatrics, 8- to 10 year-olds spend 8 hours a day with various digital media while teenagers spend 11 hours in front of screens.
- One in three kids are using tablets or smartphones before they can talk.
- The handbook of “Internet Addiction” by Dr. Kimberly Young states that 18 percent of college-age internet users in the US suffer from tech addiction.
- The immersive and addictive world of screens dampens and stunts key developmental processes.

**An ounce of prevention**--Kardaras has worked with over 1,000 teens in the past 15 years, and has concluded that the old axiom of “An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure” is especially true when it comes to tech addiction. He says:

*Once a kid has crossed the line into true tech addiction, treatment can be very difficult. Indeed, **I have found it easier to treat heroin and crystal meth addicts than lost-in-the-matrix video gamers or Facebook-dependent social media addicts.***

He noted that “once a person crosses over the line into full-blown addiction — drug, digital or otherwise — they need to detox before any other kind of therapy can have any chance of being effective.”

**With tech, that means a full digital detox — no computers, no smartphones, no tablets. The extreme digital detox even eliminates television. The prescribed amount of time is four to six weeks; that’s the amount of time that is usually required for a hyper-aroused nervous system to reset itself.** But that’s no easy task in our current tech-filled society where screens are ubiquitous. A person can live without drugs or alcohol; with tech addiction, digital temptations are everywhere.

That’s why the key is prevention, pre-emptive action to stop our kids getting hooked on screens when they are young.

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That means Lego instead of Minecraft; books instead of iPads; nature and sports instead of TV. If you have to, demand that your child's school not give them a tablet or Chromebook until they are at least 10 years old (others recommend 12).

Kardaras challenges parents to have honest discussions with their children about why they are limiting their screen access, and also to "eat dinner with your children without any electronic devices at the table — just as Steve Jobs used to have tech-free dinners with his kids." Don't fall victim to "*Distracted Parent Syndrome*" — as we know from Social Learning Theory, "Monkey see, monkey do."

And just in case you think it's impossible to rescue your digital junkie, Kardaras concludes with:

*We also know that kids are more prone to addictive escape if they feel alone, alienated, purposeless and bored. Thus the solution is often to help kids to connect to meaningful real-life experiences and flesh-and-blood relationships. The engaged child tethered to creative activities and connected to his or her family is less likely to escape into the digital fantasy world.*

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## Reasons to Use a Physically Bound Bible

Anonymous

It is no secret that electronic device are taking over our society. It is also no surprise either with how efficient they can be, we are now living in paperless world! The world of technology has changed the way we communicate, schedule/plan, and even exercise our spiritual disciplines. Many today come to church with iPads and Kindles instead of Bibles and notebooks. Don't get me wrong, it's great for some people but this is one area that technology has invaded that I'm not too thrilled about.

My concern here is *the reading of Scripture* from an electronic device. I'd like to provide a few brief reasons to use a physical Bible or the exercise of Bible intake.

**Reason #1: Less Distractions.** Yes, I do believe that reading from an actual Bible is less distracting. Reading from your phone exposes you to a plethora of other concerns. Notifications from social media, email, text message, and apps are all distractions when attempting to give concentrated effort to the spiritual discipline of Bible intake. Perhaps people would argue that this can be overcome through self-discipline. That may be true, but why subject yourself to the temptation of distraction when it can be done away with by reading a physical Bible.

**Reason #2: Memorization.** The use of a physical Bible aids in memorization. Physically seeing where the verse lies on a page and where it is relative to the entirety of the book helps with familiarization. Even if you cannot verbatim repeat the

passage you're trying to recall, it is much easier to track it down in a Bible that you've grown familiar with over the course of time. Additionally, memorization is also aided when you write physical notes in the margins of your Bible. Several universities and institutions are no longer allowing laptops in class and are now reinforcing physical note taking because of the benefits it has on retention.

**Reason #3: Cordless.** Yes, that's right! Electronic devices depend upon power in order for it to be utilized. A physical Bible can be read without electricity. Even though you may need electricity to provide light, a physical Bible is one less item dependent upon electricity. Additionally, you don't have that (1st world) anxiety of running out of battery when reading from a physical Bible.

**Reason #4: Longevity.** I do believe that physical Bibles have a longer lifespan than electronic devices. Since electronic devices are used for so much more than Bible reading it is exposed to much more wear and tear. Similarly, the world of the "cloud" may serve for convenience, but things can still be lost in this digital world. Physical books can last for a long time (and in some cases multiple lifetimes!). Your Bible can potentially be used from generation-to-generation.

**Reason #5: Separation and Example.** Using a physical Bible identifies separation from anything else. This may be similar to the first reason (less distracting); but I think it's special in that it identifies a specific object as unique. For example, reading a physical Bible says something to your soul that the next few moments are dedicated to careful attention to God's Word. It also speaks of separation to those who immediately surround you. Your wife, kids, and anyone else within sight know that you are interacting with God's Word. Reading on a device can create confusion within your soul and to others. Am I reading Scripture or checking the score to the game? Do your kids think you're reading Scripture or do they think that you're texting mommy about dinner? Do your fellow church members view you as studying alongside of them or are they wondering if you're checking the weather for the week? By having a physical Bible you are setting an example of the Christian's devotion to the Scriptures.

**Y**et more reasons why the Gospel is so needed and is the only true answer for man: We live today in a vast, homogeneous world market, in which human beings are programmed to maximize their self-interest...the world seems more literate, interconnected and prosperous than at any other time in history...but the reality is that the promised universal civilization—one harmonized by a combination of universal suffrage, broad educational opportunities, steady economic growth, and personal advancement has not materialized. Add to that the fact that older forms of authority have been weakened we have an explosion of unpredictable actors from Somali pirates, human traffickers, anonymous cyber-hackers to Boko Haram. There has been a massive shift in which people understand themselves in public life primarily as individuals with rights, desires and interests...as a result we have a tremendous increase in mutual hatred and universal irritability of everybody against everybody else.

from *Age of Anger*, by P. Mishra

# Missionary of the Week

John & Gail Conner  
Camino Global - Oklahoma



John and Gail have ministered at the Central American Theological Seminary (SETECA) for almost ten years. Their ministry focus is about to change, as they are relocating to Tulsa, Oklahoma, to continue serving among Spanish churches there. They write, “We are naturally experiencing the pendulum swings of raw emotions with this change. We are very, very saddened to leave our many friends here in Guatemala, feeling like we are abandoning some of our dear friends. Yet, we are also grateful and excited about returning to be near

our family and friends in the U.S. The privilege to continue ministering to and with the Spanish church, and yet now to do so near our family, is a blessing, especially to our ‘grandparent’ hearts!”

*From their latest prayer guide:*

## **PRAISE THE LORD WITH US FOR:**

- That Gail was released from therapy with her shoulder and arm having almost full range of motion
- The Lord’s faithfulness to us these nearly ten years in Guatemala
- The warm, generous and loving farewells from so many friends here in Guatemala

## **PETITION OUR LORD FOR:**

- The most important need is always simple daily obedience – not to grow weary in well doing!
- Safe packing, moving and unloading during the transition.
- The Lord’s grace and help in facing all the many transition back to life in the U.S., that we would be patient and persistent in the adaptation processes
- The Lord to direct our paths into those areas of service that would be the most effective for His mission purposes
- The Lord’s evident working in the lives of our three dependent children in their walk with our Lord and in their education: David, Katie and Lydia.

**T**hrough the disciplined lifestyle of prayer, Jesus admitted the weakness of his—and thus our—humanity. If the Son of God needed to pray, how much more do we need to wait upon God.

***Dr. Paul Tautges***

# Sunday School Classes & Descriptions

## Adult

“Revelation” - Organ Side Overflow  
 Room: Matt Coleman  
 “Chronological Survey of the Bible” -  
 Fellowship Hall: Bob Dimmitt  
 “The Gospel of Luke” - Youth House:  
 Steve Posner

## Students & Children

Babies - Room 3: Kay Stanford & Sandra Bridges  
 1s & 2s - Room 24: Michael & Ruth Kleinpeter/Danny & Kamee Roberson  
 3s & 4s - Room 25: Emily Wise, Susan Su, Donna Martin  
 Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd Grade - Room 200: Jimmy & Angie Creech  
 3rd-6th Grade Boys - Room 202: Ric Zittrouer & Richie Mills  
 3rd-6th Grade Girls - Room 204: Mary Ann Fowler, Amy Horton  
 Youth Guys - Room 206: Tim Wade, Bobby Deloach, & Nick Herring  
 Youth Girls - Room 207: Sona Bailey, Jessica Dimmitt, & Lauren Wade

**A** real church as set forth in the NT is not a support group. It’s not a social club or a counseling center. It’s a family of redeemed sinners who have God as their Father through their union with Jesus Christ. It’s a body knit together by the Holy Spirit so that together all are built up and strengthened and loved. Church is God’s idea.

There are three widely held beliefs that people assume are escape routes to avoid Hell:

1. Associating with the right religion,
2. waiting for proof, and
3. trusting in their own goodness.

According to the Bible each one is a deadly road of false hope.

# Bible Reading Schedule

January 2018

	1	Proverbs 27 & John 3
	2	Proverbs 28 & John 4
	3	Proverbs 29 & John 5
	4	John 6
	5	Proverbs 30 & John 7
	6	Proverbs 31 & John 8
	7	John 9-10
	8	John 11
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## **I Sing The Mighty Power Of God**

I sing the mighty power of God  
That made the mountains rise,  
That spread the flowing seas abroad  
And built the lofty skies.  
I sing the wisdom that ordained  
The sun to rule the day;  
The moon shines full at His command,  
And all the stars obey.

There's not a plant or flower below  
But makes Thy glories known;  
And clouds arise and tempests blow  
By order from Thy throne;  
While all that borrows life from Thee  
Is ever in Thy care,  
And everywhere that man can be,  
Thou, God, art present there.

**T**here are people (many maybe most) who view religion quite passively. They carry on with their lives, assuming that if God wants to get their attention, it is up to Him to do it effectively enough so that they don't have to put any effort in. Yet God has commanded all people to seek Him and to repent.  
—Isaiah 55:6-7 & Acts 17:30

The chilling reality, according to the Bible, is that it is exceedingly easy to go to Hell.

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## **Nursery January 14**

**10:30 A.M.**

### **Babies:**

Donna Martin, Kirsten Jones

### **Toddlers - 4 year olds:**

Karrie & Lindsey Walker/  
Steve & Linnea Posner

**6:00 P.M.**

Sona Bailey, Cindy Dimmitt/  
Linda Walker, Shawn Champion

## **Nursery January 21**

**10:30 A.M.**

### **Babies:**

Mary Fowler, Kay Stanford

### **Toddlers - 4 year olds:**

Jimmy & Tammy Kicklighter/  
Mike & Elinor Morris

**6:00 P.M.**

Janice Donaldson, Ceci Sheffield/  
Sharon Boanen, Kathlyne Creech

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## **Ushers January 14**

**10:30 A.M.**

Jimmy Kicklighter, Bucky Lanier,

Jack Moore, Mike Morris

**6:00 P.M.**

Dean McCraw, Cole Morris

## **Ushers January 21**

**10:30 A.M.**

Danny Roberson, Kelly Stanford,

John Sumner, Michael Walker

**6:00 P.M.**

Kelly Stanford, John Sumner

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## **Sunday Greeters - January 14**

Ceci Sheffield, Lisa Rowe

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## **January Lock-Up Deacons**

Steve Posner, Kelly Stanford