

FRIENDSHIP GOOD NEWS

November 5, 2021

From Pastor Mike...



In person and Facebook
Live Church Service
Small Groups
Sunday November 7, 2021
9:30 AM Small Groups — 10:30 Church Service

A better nation. What can bring about the changes we so desperately want and need in our nation in order to be what God created us

to be? Some say a new president. Some say a better economy. Some are saying racial equality, economic equality, marriage equality, etc. Although there are problems with our leadership and our economy and injustices in our society, changing these things would only be a temporary fix.

The real problem in sin. Jeremiah 17:9 tells us, "The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it?" Until hearts are changed and lives are transformed by the gospel of Jesus Christ, no attempts to change our country will be effective long term. The Bible says in Psalm 33:12, "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people He chose for His inheritance."

Unless a nation turns to God in repentance and faith, there will be problems. And when a nation forgets God, there will be severe problems! God has been very patient with us. He has provided atonement for our sins through the perfect Lamb of God, His very own Son, Jesus. God has done everything He said He would do to redeem us, to rescue us. Now the ball is in our court.

God says, "If My people, who are called by My Name, will humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land." II Chronicles 7:14. It is not too late. His hand is stretched out still.

I love you all, Pastor Mike

WEDNESDAY EVENING STUDY

At 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall

For a study of: We Will Not Be Silenced

by Erwin W. Lutzer

It's frustrating to feel you can't assert biblical truth without facing condemnation, and fearful to witness outrage and victimhood replace respect and reason. Amidst this dissent, how can you not only stay rooted in your own faith but continue publicly testifying for Jesus?



We Will Not Be Silenced will ready you to move beyond fear and boldly accept the challenge of representing Christ to a watching world that needs Him now more than ever before.

Attendance—October 31

Sunday Worship: 87 Sunday School: 56

Tithes & Offerings

General Offering: \$5,455.44



Online giving is easier than ever!

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OTHER SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDIES

Other small group studies meet throughout the week at various locations and at various times. Please see Pam Sypult for information.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date	Time	Event
Saturday, Nov 6	10 am	Desired Haven Work Day
Sunday, Nov 7		Daylight Savings Time Ends – Fall Back
Tuesday, Nov 9	6:30pm	WMBA Prayer Gathering at New Hope Fellowship, Springdale
Tuesday, Nov 23	6:30pm	Annual Thanksgiving Service
Thursday, Nov 25		THANKSGIVING DAY – offices closed
Sunday, Nov 28	10:30am	Week of Prayer for International Missions – Lottie Moon C'mas Offering
Sunday, Dec 12	6:00pm	Family Forum – 2021 Budget
Friday, Dec 24	5:00pm	Annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Service



Psalm 95:2-3

Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods.

Nov. 6 at 10 am—Work Day for

ARKANSAS BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES & FAMILY MINISTRIES



Desired Haven Family Care Ministry Opportunity

On Nov. 6, we will be doing yard work at the Desired Haven facility in Springdale. If you would like to participate, please contact Starlyn Danley or Arnie Hanson for details.

If you would like to contribute financially, please make checks out to Friendship Church with Desired Haven in the memo area of your check.

Thank you so much for loving these ladies and their families!!



Ephesians 6:18

And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.

Need encouragement and strength?

Join us Sunday evenings

at 6 PM on Zoom

ZOOM link for PRAYER MEETING:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86223352309?pwd=NEpmdjBvby9nS1hsK3Z1S3hBMVVPZz09

ID: 862 2335 2309

Passcode: 553985



Friendship K.I.D.s Korner News

Why is GRATITUDE important?

As we begin the month of November, our thoughts start turning towards the upcoming holidays. For some of us, before we know it

Thanksgiving has come and gone, and the Christmas rush is upon us.

We need to be intentional about how we are going to share the Biblical view of these times with our kids, before the worldview crowds it out.

The month of November is a great way to start teaching kids about GRATITUDE.

Here are some things to do with your family that may help them to focus on **GRATITUDE**.

***Talk about what **GRATITUEDE** means: feeling thankful for blessings in your life, big and small.

***Memorize a Scripture verse together: Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.--1 Thessalonians 5:18

Discussion #1: Sometimes we just don't feel thankful. Should we give thanks anyway? Some people say our thanks means more to God under those circumstances. Why would that be?

***Talk about this anonymous quote: "It is not happy people who are thankful. Its thankful people who are happy."



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Discussion #2: Have you ever done a kind deed for someone and they never said "thank you"? If so, describe what happened. How does God feel when most everything he does for us goes without our saying "thank you"? Think of some simple things you can thank God for.

Family Activity: Make a Thankfulness jar or board early in the month. Have a note pad or sticky notes near by to write on. Each day encourage everyone to write or draw something on the sticky note or notepad that they are thankful for. Put the notes in the jar to be read at Thanksgiving dinner. Or you can stick the notes on the board. Display it in a central area of your house so that everyone can see it through out the month. You may decide to have your own variation of this idea. The objective is to have your family get into the habit of living with an **ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE** throughout the year.





Blessings, Mary Ann