

FRIENDSHIP GOOD NEWS November 20, 2020

From Pastor Mike...



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Indoor Church & Small Groups

Sunday November 22, 2020 — 9:30 AM Small Groups — 10:30 Church Service

From the Friendship Church website: "Friendship Church is a united group of believers committed to loving God and loving people, spending time in

His Word, and relying on prayer and the Holy Spirit so that we might experience God, hear His voice and He might fulfill His work through us."

So, the question is, "What is God's work that He wants to fulfill through us?" Good question. I believe the work God wants to do is to make heaven a bigger place. God wants more children in His forever family. How does this happen? One way – Jesus – through the glorious gospel He has given us!

II Peter 3:9 tells us that God is not willing that anyone should perish without Him – but that all would come to repentance. How does a person come to repentance? Romans 10:14 reminds us all, "How, then, can they call on the One [Jesus] they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the One of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?" In other words, how can someone repent and be saved unless someone shares the gospel with them? And that someone is me and you!

Beloved, may we never forget that God has given us a job to do. The "mission" is a "co-" mission. We do our part – God does His part. Our goal is to experience God and hear His voice. His voice is this - He has made it clear that we are to be His witnesses. If we lose sight of this basic truth, we cease to be a New Testament church.

So, what can you and I do? Pray. Invite. Reach out. Ask God to give us souls. Share your faith, share your testimony. Show this lost and dying world the difference that Christ makes in you. Jesus is saying to us, "Go out to the roads and country lanes and compel them to come in, so that My house will be full." Luke 14:23.

I love you all,

Pastor Mike



2020 Thanksgiving Offering

Join us in praying and giving for the Arkansas Baptist Children Homes and Family Ministries. Each year at Thanksgiving, we commit to pray for the many ministries of the ABCH including:

- •Arkansas Baptist Homes for Children
- Arkansas Baptist Ranch
- Connected Foster Care
- Desired Haven Family Care
- And Living Well Counseling

To learn more about the Arkansas Baptist Children's Homes and Family Ministries,

visit https://arkansasfamilies.org

Last year, Friendship gave a little over \$1,500 to these ministries. Pray and ask the Lord how you can help exceed this amount this year. It is the season of Thanksgiving – let's be generous!



- 1 Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.
- 2 Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.
- 3 Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.
- 4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.
- 5 For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.



We will be putting together 7 baskets to encourage families. If you would like to contribute, please select an item from the back wall and return to the church by Nov. 29.



SERVICES LIVE ON FACEBOOK

Every Sunday morning at 11am

ONLINE LIVE PRAYER MEETINGS

Every Friday, Saturday and Sunday evening at 7pm

SUNDAY SCHOOL GROUPS

Check with your Sunday School teachers for times

Get updated prayer requests and announcements.

To sign up, text your name to 479.422.1079

This Sunday's Gospel Project Lesson (small groups) "Jesus the Savior (Gospels)

Sunday's lesson "Jesus Encounters Two Disciples" - <u>CLICK HERE</u> to download your Sunday School lesson!

In the beginning, the all-powerful, personal God created the universe. This God created human beings in His image to live joyfully in His presence, in humble submission to His gracious authority. But all of us have rebelled against God and, in consequence, must suffer the punishment of our rebellion: physical death and the wrath of God.

Thankfully, God initiated a rescue plan, which began with His choosing the nation of Israel to display His glory in a fallen world. The Bible describes how God acted mightily on Israel's behalf, rescuing His people from slavery and then giving them His holy law. But God's people—like all of us—failed to rightly reflect the glory of God.

Then, in the fullness of time, in the person of Jesus Christ, God Himself came to renew the world and to restore His people. Jesus perfectly obeyed the law given to Israel. Though innocent, He suffered the consequences of human rebellion by His death on a cross. But three days later, God raised Him from the dead.

Now the church of Jesus Christ has been commissioned by God to take the news of Christ's work to the world. Empowered by God's Spirit, the church calls all people everywhere to repent of sin and to trust in Christ alone for our forgiveness. By God's grace in Christ, repentance and faith restores our relationship with God and results in a life of ongoing transformation.

The Bible promises that Jesus Christ will return to this earth as the conquering King. Only those who live in repentant faith in Christ will escape God's judgment and live joyfully in God's presence for all eternity. God's message is the same to all of us: repent and believe, before it is too late. Confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe with your heart that God raised Him from the dead, and you will be saved.

Most classes meeting online using Zoom. Check with your Sunday School teacher for dates and times.

Friendship Birthdays

November 23 – Roberta Moore November 24 – Rhonda Barkey

Friendship Anniversaries

November 23 – David and Debbie Drymon

Friendship Attendance, Nov 15

Small group Bible study - 49 Celebration worship - 73

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Sunday, Nov. 15-\$3,797.94



Online giving is easier than ever!

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to try out our new online giving service.

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7



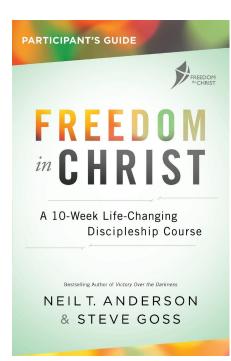
The Friendship Food Pantry needs:

- Spaghetti sauce
- Spaghetti noodles
- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Soap
- Toothpaste
- Dish soap

- Single serving:
- Cereal
- Apple Sauce
- Fruit cups
- Juice boxes
- Fruit snacks

God is unchanging in His love. He loves you. He has a plan for your life. **Don't let the newspaper headlines frighten you**. God is still sovereign; He's still on the throne. –Billy Graham

If Christianity is valid, why is there so much evil in the world?" To this the famous preacher replied, "With so much soap, why are there so many dirty people in the world? Christianity, like soap, must be personally applied if it is to make a difference in our lives. —Billy Graham



MEN'S STUDY

It's not too late to join in with us!

Wednesday's at 6pm

"Freedom In Christ: A 10-Week Life-Changing Discipleship Course"

Some of the areas we will cover in the course include:

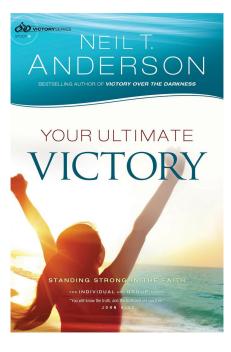
· how we became brand-new people from the inside out when

we became Christians

- · why we can go boldly into God's presence any time we like without fear
- how nothing we do can make God love us any more or any less
- how to resolve the effects of even the deepest issues from the past
- · how to deal with repeating patterns of sin
- · understanding what God's purpose for your life is (it may not be what you think!)

We meet at the church on Wednesday evenings from 6:00-8:00pm. Study guide is \$6.00 for the 10 week discipleship course. Everyone is welcome!

John 8:32 "You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."



WOMEN'S STUDY

Victory Series Study 8—"Your

Ultimate Victory"

Session Four: Overcoming

Accusation

Location: Zoom

Date: Thursday, Dec 3, 2020

Time: 6:30 PM

Become Equipped to Withstand

the Enemy

In Your Ultimate Victory Dr. Neil

Anderson shows you how to win the battle for your mind and stand strong in the faith.

"For our struggle is not against flesh and blood" (Ephesians 6:12)--rather, it is against things unseen, things often kept secret out of fear and shame.

In Your Ultimate Victory, Dr. Neil Anderson shows you how to win the battle for your mind and stand strong in the faith. In this last of eight Victory Series studies, you will learn how Satan attempts to influence your mind and how he tries to lure people with false knowledge and power. You will explore the tactics he has used from the beginning and how you can overcome his temptations, accusations, and deceptions. You will discover how to identify false teachers and false prophets and how to resist demonic influence, possession, bondage, and control.

Friendship K.I.D.s Korner News



We all have much to be grateful for, on and around Thanksgiving.

Take time to share what you are thankful for as you gather as a family. Then add in some of these Thanksgiving jokes and add laughter to that list. Think you've heard every turkey joke? Make copies of this printable and let the kids, the big cousins, and even the weird uncle tell a joke or two. If you need the kids to stay out of the kitchen while you're basting and baking, let them do a comedy tour around the house and see who they can get the biggest laugh out of the punchlines. These are a great way to pass the time until you make a little room for dessert or even better, leftovers!

Happy Thanksgiving!!!

Blessings, Mary Ann







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WHERE CAN YOU ALWAYS FIND TURKEY? IN THE DICTIONARY.

WHICH SIDE OF THE TURKEY HAS THE MOST FEATHERS? THE OUTSIDE.

HOW ARE THANKSGIVING AND HALLOWEEN ALIKE?

THEY BOTH HAVE GORBLE-INS!

IF APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS WHAT DO MAYFLOWERS BRING? PEGRIMS

WHAT'S A PILGRIM'S FAVORITE KIND OF MUSIC? PLYMOUTH ROCK.

WHY SHOULDN'T YOU PUT THE TURKEY NEXT TO DESSERT? HE'LL GOBBLE IT UP.

WHAT'S THE BEST THING TO PUT INTO A PUMPKIN PIE? YOUR TEETH.

WHAT DID THE PUMPKIN SAY AFTER THANKSGIVING DINNER? GOOD PIE EVERYBODY!

WHICH PART OF A TURKEY IS MOST MUSICAL? THE DRUMSTICKS!

WHY DO TURKEYS LAY EGGS? **BECAUSE IF THEY THREW THEM** THEY WOULD BREAK.

WHAT DO YOU CALL A TURKEY THE DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING?

WHAT DO YOU CALL A TURKEY WHEN IT'S FULL? STUFFEDI

WHY SHOULDN'T YOU LOOK AT A TURKEY DRESSING? IT WILL BLUSH.

HOW DO YOU UNLOCK A DOOR ON THANKSGIVING? WITH A TUR-KEY.

HOW SHOULD YOU DRESS FOR THANKSGIVING DINNER? IN A HAR-VEST.

WHAT DOES A VAMPIRE CALL THANKSGIVING? **FANGS-GIVING!**

WHAT RING TONE DOES A TURKEY HAVE ON ITS PHONE?

WING! WING! WING!

WHY DID THE TURKEY CROSS THE ROAD? TO PROVE HE WASN'T CHICKEN.

CAN A TURKEY JUMP HIGHER THAN YES, BECAUSE A BUILDING CAN'T JUMP!













