

# Announcements and Church News

## Our Sick

Tim Adams treatment for bacteria in lungs; Pam Reeves and Teresa Broyles for cancer trmt; Joyce Stanley, Kim Taylor, Sandy Caldwell and Fran Barclay- health issues;

**PRAYER REQUESTS FOR FAMILY/FRIENDS;**  
Mary Bonelli's sister in Hospice care; Max Herman's sister-in-law, Carol; Steve Wilder-recent surgery; Eileen Chase's husband Bert/hip replacement; The Bernhardt's relative Dustin/colon issues; Dianne Stewart's brother, Bobby Goodfield; The Stingles niece's baby; Paula Davis' niece for lupus; Carol Mitchell's mother, Mary; Pat Ledford's brother Tom; Bob & Linda Hadsock, and Mattie Simmons & Demetria-need prayers.

### PRAYERS FOR CANCER:

Debbie Methvin's friend Debbie Decker; Van Stewart's sister Tracey and cousin Paula; Penny Bevaqua's sister Pam; Ronnie Sommerville's dad, Ron; Kim Taylor's mother, Jayne; Chad and Tiffany Broyles neighbor Neil; Joyce Feazell's friend Jack; The Harris' daughter Kim; Mattie Simmons friend William; Sandy Caldwell's bro-in-law Larry.

### INMATES:

Antwaun Thompson, Willie Newton & Tom George.

### OUR SERVICE MEN:

Sam Wagner and cousin Mark Wagner (Navy)  
Austin Crosby (Marine Corp/Japan)

## Remember the Shut-ins

**Manor Care:** Hazel Franck **Palm Garden:** Jean Allison **At Home:** Judy Cole, and Winston Sandlin



## Activities

**FSOP Lectureship**— The Florida School of Preaching 46th Annual Lectureship begins this Monday the 18th through the 21st. It is broadcast live at fsop.net and Lectureship books are available for \$16.00. Flyers are in the foyer.

**Foyer Table**— On the foyer table you will find the Financial Report for December and the latest issue of the Christian Courier.

**Bible Reading Schedules**— Make a plan to study God's Word more in 2021. There are several different Bible reading schedules to choose from on the table in the foyer.

### He Who Knows

When the looking glass is dark  
And our troubles and trials are great,  
We must trust in the Father's wisdom-  
Be patient with Him and wait.

For the answers to our prayers will come

In His time, not in ours,  
And we can always be assured  
There is goodness in His power.

We must know that He will do what's best  
Because He loves us so-  
For only He who sees the future  
Is the One who truly knows.

By: Sharon Fuqua

**Reminder**—The weekly sermons are available on CD, our website and also livestream on Facebook Sundays at 10:30 and 5:00pm and Wednesday at 7:00pm. If you need the Bulletin, Christian Service List, Calendar or the Membership Directory please call the office — 727-446-4808.

## Birthdays This Week

Charles Broyles—January 14th  
Becky Jurado—January 15th

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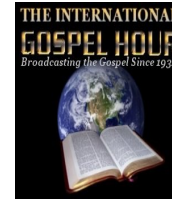


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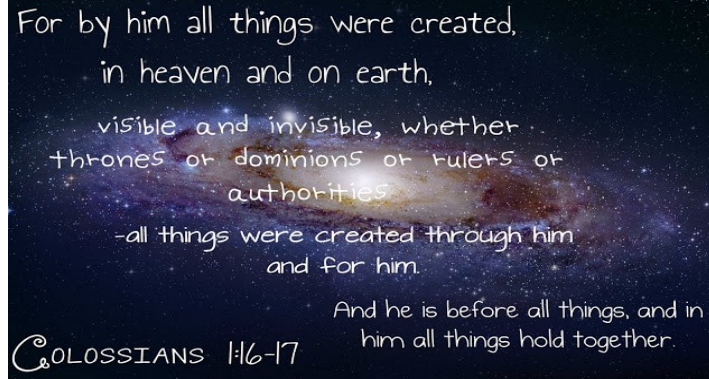
Bi-Monthly Publication



TV Channel 44 (WTOG) at  
7:30am Sunday watch & hear  
Phil Sanders - Speaker.



WTIS (1110 kHz) at 7:30 am Sunday  
hear Jeff Archey as speaker.



### Elders:

Joe Bonelli  
Charles Broyles  
James George

### Deacons:

Max Herman — Jim Follis  
Chad Broyles — Matthew Kropp

**Preacher: Charles Broyles**

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### Sunday Bible Study

Postponed

Charles Broyles

### Sunday AM Worship—10:30

Facebook Live

Charles Broyles

King Jesus

Colossians 1:15-18

Pew Packers

Postponed

### Sunday PM Worship—5:00

Facebook Live

Charles Broyles

The Incomparable Jesus

Mark 2:1-2

Ladies Bible Study

Postponed

### Wed. Bible Study—7:00PM

Facebook Live

Charles Broyles



**From the Preacher's Pen**

**TURNING IT OVER TO GOD**

*By: Johnny O. Trail*

The Bible is filled with characters who exemplify qualities that we should all emulate. For a moment, let us consider Hannah, the wife of Elkanah. We learn in 1 Samuel 1:2 that Hannah was unable to have children. For Hannah, as with many other women, this created a situation of great sadness in her life. To make matters worse, Elkanah's other wife, Peninnah, picked on Hannah for she had no children (1 Samuel 1:7). Because of her inability to have children and the constant nagging of Peninnah, Hannah cried and refused to eat.

With so many people, the story might have ended there, but the remainder of 1 Samuel reveals what Hannah did to alleviate her suffering. While Hannah and the household of Elkanah were at Shiloh, Hannah went to the temple and offered prayers to God. In her prayer, she offered a vow and made a request of God (1 Samuel 1:11). She asked the Lord to give her a son, and in return, she would give her son back to Jehovah God. Such a request and vow might seem incredible, but Hannah was resigned to honor God with the blessing He bestowed upon her. After a few words of encouragement from Eli (1 Samuel 1:17), Hannah went on about her business and felt no more sadness (1 Sam. 1:18).

There are several things that impress me about this story. Hannah turned her sad situation over to God in prayer. 1 Sam.1 :11 "Then she made a vow and said, "O LORD of hosts, if You will indeed look on the affliction of Your maidservant and remember me, and not forget Your maidservant, but will give Your maidservant a male child, then I will give him to the LORD all the days of his life, and no razor shall come upon his head." As God's people, we would be richly blessed if we strived to do the same thing.

God answers the prayers of His people. James 5:16 says, "Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much." He may not answer in the way we want; be He does answer. If the prayers of His Son, Jesus, were answered with a "no" at times, why should we be surprised when He does the same with us (cf. Matthew 26.36-46).

God supplies us with the best that we need in each situation. Luke 11:11-13 says, "If a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish? Or if he asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!" Since He already knows what we need before we ask (Matthew 6.8), we must trust His judgment as being exceedingly better than ours.

Hannah was able to overcome her sadness after prayer to God and encouragement from Eli(1 Samuel 1:17-18). A word of encouragement can accomplish wonders for people who are in despair. Christians should strive to help one another when they face situations

that are difficult. In bearing one another's burdens, we can edify our brethren as they face trials and tribulations in this life. Galatians 6:2 says, "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ."

A word well-spoken is delightful to the hearer. Proverbs 25:11 says, "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold In settings of silver." On the other hand, words poorly chosen can cause a suffering persons grief to be multiplied. Job 16:2-5 says, "I have heard many such things; Miserable comforters are you all! Shall words of wind have an end? Or what provokes you that you answer? I also could speak as you do,If your soul were in my soul's place. I could heap up words against you, And shake my head at you; But I would strengthen you with my mouth, And the comfort of my lips would relieve your grief."

Finally, and perhaps most importantly, Hannah used her blessing according to God's purposes.The condition of her blessing was that she would give her son to God for His purposes (1 Samuel 1:11). This son, Samuel, would be one of the greatest prophets, priests, and seers that the nation of Israel would ever have. Isn't it interesting to note how God uses the blessings He bestows upon people to bless others?

God blesses His people in so many ways. How are you using the money, possessions, and the physical abilities that God has given to you? More importantly, have you encouraged your children to serve the living and true God? God truly enables His people to be a blessing to others.

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**GOD MUST LOVE GIGGLES**

A second-grade school teacher observing her little charges on the playground thought, "God must love giggles." He wants us to be joyful.

As Christians, we have so much to be happy about: our sins washed away, a new life in Jesus Christ, and a hope for eternity (Acts 2:38). In this world, many things pull people down, but the Lord brings us back up.

"Make a joyful shout" could be translated, "Shout for joy" (Psalm 100:1). It means to "shout with the force of a trumpet blast," a shout of joy that comes from the very depths of your being (cf. Luke 19:40).

Let God hear one's giggles, shouts, and prayers. —Anonymus

*"Because the Lord loves you." Deuteronomy 7:8*

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***May the best thing that has happened to you this year,  
be the worst thing that happens to you next year!***