

# Announcements and Church News

## Our Sick

Tim Adams treatment for bacteria in lungs; Teresa Broyles for cancer trmt; Fran Barclay for a recent fall; Joyce Stanley, Kim Taylor, Sandy Caldwell and Nancy VanWinkle for health issues.

### PRAYER REQUESTS FOR FAMILY/FRIENDS;

Kim Taylor's relative Melody for heart issues; The Follis's friend Ed for kidney transplant; 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; Jim and Val Clark request prayers for Delilah Roberts, Larry Roberts and Tyra Tackett.

### 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 sister Donna; The Harris' daughter Kim; Mattie Simmons friend William; Sandy Caldwell's bro-in-law Larry.

### INMATES:

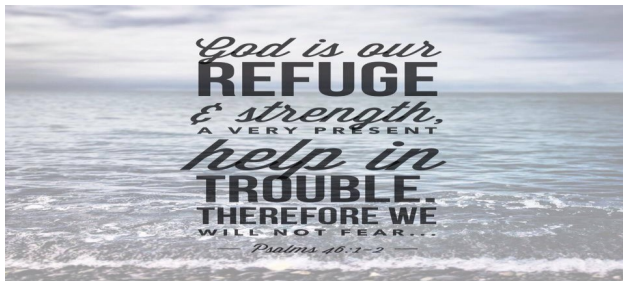
Antwaun Thompson, Willie Newton & Tom George.

### OUR SERVICE MEN:

Sam Wagner and cousin Mark Wagner (Navy)  
Austin Reyes (Marine Corp)

## Remember the Shut-ins

**Manor Care:** Hazel Franck **At Home:** Winston Sandlin



## Activities

**Moving**—Jim and Susan Follis will be moving to Largo next Monday the 29th. If you are able to help them move please let them know.

### God's Boxes

I have in my hands two boxes, which God gave me to hold. He said, "Put all your sorrows in the black box, and all your joys in the gold." I heeded His words, and in the two boxes, both my joys and sorrows I stored, but though the gold became heavier each day, the black was as light as before. With curiosity, I opened the black, I wanted to find out why, and I saw, in the base of the box, a hole, which my sorrows had fallen out by. I showed the hole to God and mused, "I wonder where my sorrows could be!" He smiled a gentle smile and said, "My child, they're all here with Me." I asked God why He gave me the boxes, why the gold and the black with the hole? "My child, the gold is for you to count your blessings, the black is for you to let go." Author Unknown

### Remember:

Happy Moments, **Praise God.**  
Difficult Moments, **Seek God.**  
Quiet Moments, **Worship God.**  
Painful Moments, **Trust God.**  
Every Moment, **Thank God.**

**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

Pat Ledford—March 22nd

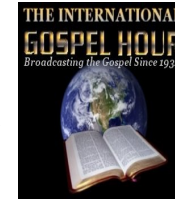


Gospel Broadcasting Network  
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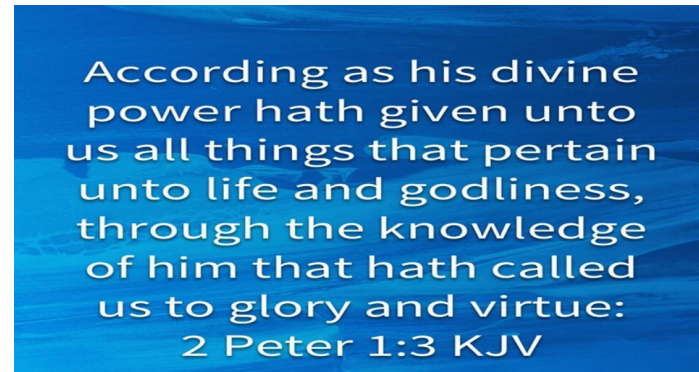
Bi-Monthly Publication



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—10:15

Facebook Live

Charles Broyles

### Growing In Christ

2 Peter 1:3-4

### Pew Packers

Postponed

### Sunday PM Worship—4:45

Facebook Live

Charles Broyles

### God Is Our Refuge

Psalms 46:1

### Ladies Bible Study

Postponed

### Wed. Bible Study—7:00PM

Facebook Live

Charles Broyles



**From the Preacher's Pen**

**REAFFIRMING THE ACCURACY AND AUTHORITY OF THE BIBLE**

David Sain

The Bible is divinely inspired. Therefore the Bible is the Word of God. In 2 Peter 1:20-21, the apostle Peter wrote about the scriptures revealed through the prophets. He wrote,

“Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For prophecy never came by the will of man: but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.”

This affirms that the prophets spoke by divine inspiration. They did not speak by their wisdom, but as “moved” by the Holy Spirit. The English Standard Version translates that last phrase, “as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.”

The apostle Paul declared the same thing to have been true of the things spoken by him and the other apostles. He wrote to the Corinthians regarding the origin of that which he taught.

“Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. These things we also speak, not in words which man’s wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches...” (1 Cor. 2:12-13).

Therefore, Paul and the other apostles did not speak on their own, i.e., by their own wisdom. They spoke by the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and that was a fulfillment of the promise that Jesus gave to them before He left this earth.

“However, when He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth: for He shall not speak on His own authority; but whatever He hears He will speak: and He will tell you things to come” (John 16:13).

And it should be noted that, in 1 Corinthians 2:12-13, Paul affirmed that the “words” which they spoke were words which the Holy Spirit taught them. So, the Holy Spirit did more than give the Apostles an idea or a concept that they developed on their own. Instead, the inspiration by which they spoke and wrote was a “word-for-word” inspiration.

Paul complimented the Christians at Thessalonica regarding their attitude as they received what Paul spoke to them, and in doing so he also confirmed his words to be divinely inspired. And he commended them for understanding that fact and for receiving it as such.

“For this reason we also thank God without ceasing, because when you received the word of God which you heard of us, you welcomed it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God...” (1 Thes. 2:13).

That which Paul wrote to Timothy also affirms the inspiration of the scriptures. He first warned Timothy that great deception would take place as evil men “wax worse and worse” (2 Tim. 3:13). Then he told Timothy to remain steadfast in the “Holy Scriptures” that he had known from childhood, because they are able to make one wise unto salvation (2 Tim. 3:14-15). And, at that point, he wrote the well-known and often-quoted declaration,

“All scripture is given by inspiration of God...” (2 Tim. 3:16).

We are right to believe in the plenary, verbal, and divine inspiration of the Bible.

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**YOU WOULD FEEL SO MUCH BETTER**

Even for Christians, it is easy to focus on ourselves, feel self-pity, and think about how bad things are. It is good to remember that there are surely others who have worse circumstances than we do. Let us focus on ways we can help others and remember how blessed we are. If we start feeling sad in our own little world, we would feel so much better if we would:

- \* Think about others around the world who are struggling with various problems.
- \* Help someone else with some physical need.
- \* Help someone else by encouraging them (card, call, visit, online message, etc.).
- \* Tell someone that you love and appreciate them.
- \* Help others by praying for them.
- \* Take good care of the physical body God gave you.
- \* Read God’s Word and let Him speak to you through His Holy Scriptures.
- \* Attend the assemblies of a sound congregation and worship God with your brothers and sisters.
- \* Repent and be reconciled to God if necessary.
- \* Pray and leave all cares with God. Do what is within your power the best you can and stop worrying about things you cannot control.
- \* Think about what awaits faithful Christians after this brief life is over.
- \* Try not to complain, but rather meditate on all the blessings God has given and thank Him in prayer through Jesus.

Some inspired passages to consider: Job; Psalm 18:46; 23:1-6; 46:1; 61:1-3; 62:1-8; Matthew 6:25-34; 22:36-40; 25:34-40; Luke 10:25-37; 18:1; Romans 1:8; 1 Corinthians 10:10-13; 2 Corinthians 1:3, 4; 4:16-18; Galatians 6:1, 2; Ephesians 4:28-32; 5:20; Philippians 2:3-8, 14; 4:4-13; 1 Thessalonians 5:18; 2 Timothy 2:15; Hebrews 10:23-25; James 1:2-4; 4:14; 5:7-11, 13, 16; 1 Peter 5:7.

—Jason Hilburn