

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 tomorrow the 29th. If you are able to help them move please let them know. Their new address is: 10311 107th Ave, N, Largo, FL 33773-4116. Please make this change in your directory.

Foyer Table— The April *Calendar* and *Schedule of Those To Serve* for April is on the table for you. Also you will find the *Financial Report* for February.

Secret Sisters— If you are interested in participating in being a Secret Sister please see Susan Follis. Please let her know by April 4th.

~~~~~ God Made This Day

God made this day for one and all —
The big and mighty, the meek and small.

This is the day to rejoice and sing;
This is God's special offering,

Showing His everlasting love,
Sending His blessings from above.

Treasure this day, enjoy every minute,
Put a full measure of living in it,

For this is the day the Lord has made,
From stalwart mountain to sunny glade.

Let us sing our praises to Heaven above
And thank our dear Lord for His eternal love.

By: Virginia DiThomas

Reminder—The weekly sermons are available on CD, our website and also livestream on Facebook Sundays at 10:15 and 4:45pm 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

Joe Bonelli—March 28th
Tiffany Broyles—April 1st



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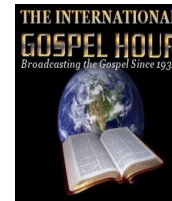


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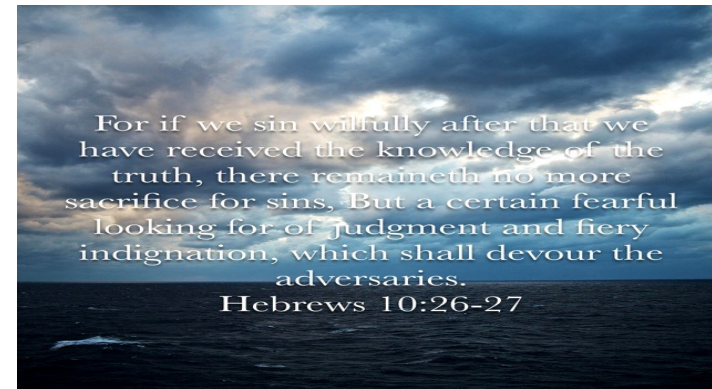
Bi-Monthly Publication



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—10:15

Facebook Live

Charles Broyles

The Willful Sinner

Hebrews 10: 26-31

Pew Packers

Postponed

Sunday PM Worship—4:45

Facebook Live

Charles Broyles

That You May Believe

John 20: 30-31

Ladies Bible Study

Postponed

Wed. Bible Study—7:00PM

Facebook Live

Charles Broyles



From the Preacher's Pen

AN HOSTILE WORLD IN WHICH WE LIVE

It seems the world is becoming more and more hostile to the church, to the Gospel, to anything restraining in matters of morality and objective (rigid) standards of right and wrong. For people of faith, this takes them by surprise. Often one begins to opine of a different time when matters of morals were priority one in the lives of American families. Churches were filled on Sunday and most people took a strong stand for morals, condemning fornication, adultery and homosexual behavior. Nearly no one doubted what sex they were, nor that marriage was between a man and a woman, exclusively. Why? Because people believed in a Supreme Being, God. They believed specifically in the God of the Bible. They believed in a final judgment wherein all of humanity would give an account of their lives, and face the penalty of their unrepentant and unforgiven sins. They knew that the best way to not sin was to get out of the habit of sinning, or better yet, not start.

Today such is not the case. Today there are far more who enjoy the pleasures of sin, which are but for a season. They have drunk deep into the wells of atheism, or at least agnosticism, and deny there is a future judgment, or a heaven to be gained and a hell to be shunned and avoided. This struggle began a long while back and has steadily gained ground. Why should this surprise us, the Bible itself teaches us that "evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived" (2 Timothy 3:13). Romans 1:18-32 details the tragedy of allowing unbelief to creep into a society. It always ends badly for everyone. But, that is exactly what "freedom loving America" has done. We have allowed the unbelieving to teach our children, and our children's children, and so on. What has been the result of those "seed of unbelief?" Perhaps it might be good to see WHY many atheists of generations ago chose to leave Biblical belief and morality behind. Yes, sometimes it is not really about the evidence at all. This is a quote from one of the most famous atheists to have ever lived, Aldous Huxley. 54 years ago, in an article: "Confession of a Professed Atheist," Report: Perspective on the News, vol. 3 (June 1966), p. 19. From an article by Helming, "An Interview with God", Huxley said:

"I had motives for not wanting the world to have meaning; consequently assumed it had none, and was able without any difficulty to find satisfying reasons for this assumption. The philosopher who finds no meaning in the world is not concerned exclusively with a problem in pure metaphysics; he is also concerned to prove there is no valid reason why he personally should not do as he wants to do. For myself, as no doubt for most of my contemporaries, the philosophy of meaninglessness was essentially an instrument of liberation. The liberation we desired was simultaneously liberation from an certain political and economic system and liberation from a certain system of morality. We objected to the morality because it interfered with our sexual freedom..."

Did you catch that at the end, he rejected God, belief and the Bible because he wanted liberation from morality because it interfered with his sexual freedom. His motives and assumptions led him to his rejection of God, morality and even purpose. And, he was teaching MY generation's parents. Many of his students went out and made unbelieving disciples of their own. The process continued until we have reached the point we have today. We now live in a far more secular America than spiritual. And, all we have to do is take a close look at Europe, or the communist nations of the Far East to see where unbelief leads. It certainly is not to freedom!

So, what is the solution? It is NOT to opine, but to be bold. It is to study to show ourselves approved to God (2 Timothy 2:15), to speak as the oracles of God (1 Peter 4:11). It is to once

again be people of the book: a Bible toting, Bible quoting people. It is learning to "sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asks you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear" (1 Peter 3:15). It is learning to set the example in morality, ethics, and honesty. It is learning to let our light shine before men that they may see our good works and glorify our God (Matthew 5:13-16). It is once again preaching the hope that one finds only in Christ, and refuting the nihilistic and hopeless doctrine of atheism which leads to reckless and indulgent living here because one does not believe there is anything beyond this world, just as some were living in the time of Jesus, saying: "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die" (Isaiah 22:13; Luke 12:19; 1 Corinthians 15:32).

May God help us in our quest to be better people, bolder people, that the world may once again hear the voice of the God Who made them, sustains them, saves them and desires that they come home to be with Him forever one great, grand and final day (John 14:1-3; 1 Corinthians 15:23-33).
—Dale DuVerney

ANOTHER ROUND OF STIMULUS —David Sproule

Here we go again. Many are waking up to find some extra money in their bank accounts. As with previous stimulus checks, many folks are excitedly looking for something they can do with their newfound money. What are you going to do with yours? Regardless of what you think about the relief bill and the government mailing out stimulus checks, for just a moment, think about a possible spiritual application.

Imagine if you woke up every morning and found that God had deposited a brand new, full amount of spiritual relief in your spiritual bank account. How would that make you feel? What would you do with it? While we would not necessarily use these terms to describe it, that is essentially what God does for us every day.

Every morning (as it were) God deposits a fresh, unearned, plush and infinite amount of His love into your account. Oh, what a blessing that is! It is truly a "great love" (Eph. 2:4), which is completely unsurpassed. It's rich, full and overflowing! And it's there just for you!

Every morning (as it were) God deposits a fresh, unearned, plush and infinite amount of His grace into your account. Oh, what a blessing that is! When you look at all the zeros on the end of God's grace, it is truly "exceedingly abundant" (1 Tim. 1:14), which is completely indescribable. It's rich, full and overflowing! And it's there just for you!

Every morning (as it were) God deposits a fresh, unearned, plush and infinite amount of His patience into your account. Oh, what a blessing that is! It is truly "all" there (1 Tim. 1:16) and "enduring" (Jer. 15:15), which is completely undeserved. How we need God to be patient with us every day! It's rich, full and overflowing! And it's there just for you!

Every morning (as it were) God deposits a fresh, unearned, plush and infinite amount of His forgiveness into your account. Oh, what a blessing that is! As you look at it closely, it is continually flowing and continually cleansing you of your sin (1 John 1:7), which is completely overwhelming. It's rich, full and overflowing! And it's there just for you!

Obviously, the list of Divine blessings that are bestowed upon us abundantly and lavishly every day could go on and on. Can I ask you a question? Do those extravagant, undeserved and incomparable doses of spiritual relief "stimulate" you? Do they "stimulate" you to love the Lord, serve the Lord, sacrifice for the Lord, praise the Lord? Do they "stimulate" you to look for opportunities to share these abundant blessings with others? Finally, how much does it "stimulate" you to know that Someone else paid for you to get those "checks" every morning?