

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:

The Herman's friend Debbie Cherryholmes; 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:

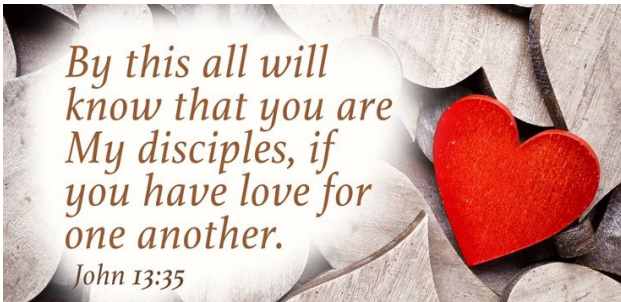
Antwaun Thompson, Willie Newton & Tom George.

OUR SERVICE MEN:

Sam Wagner and cousin Mark Wagner (Navy)

Remember the Shut-ins

At Home: Winston Sandlin



Activities

Sympathy— Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Hazel Franck. Hazel was a longtime member here and will be greatly missed. She passed away on March 24th at the age of 96. Remember her family in your prayers as they mourn their loss.

Secret Sisters— If you are interested in participating in being a Secret Sister please see Susan Follis by today.

Ladies Bible Study— On Tuesday, April 27th at 7PM Live Stream through the Facebook Group: FSOP Ladies Class. Flyers can be found in the foyer.

God Is Guiding Me

Life's road is but an unknown path
The way I cannot see,
But I'll not fear tis unknown path,
For God is guiding me.
He leads me with an unseen hand
By faith, He lights the way.
His grace is all sufficient
For my journey day by day.
I need but start the day with Him
In fellowship and prayer,
Then as I travel down life's road,
I'll always find Him there.

By: Shirley Langley

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

Lexi Broyles—April 4th
Dottie Curls—April 10th

Anniversaries This Week

Tim and Debbie Adams—April 10th

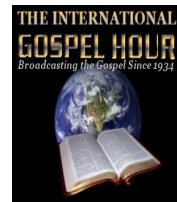


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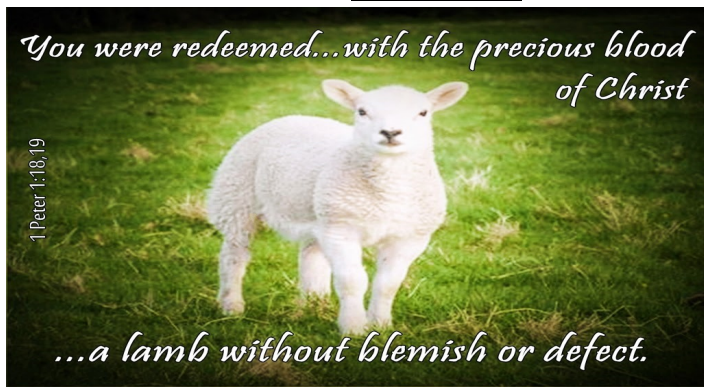
Bi-Monthly Publication



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 Riches of Redemption

1 Peter 1:18-21

Pew Packers

Postponed

Sunday PM Worship—4:45

Facebook Live

Charles Broyles

The Lord Needs You

John 4:35-38

Ladies Bible Study

Postponed

Wed. Bible Study—7:00PM

Facebook Live

Charles Broyles



From the Preacher's Pen

HAVING RULES IS A SIGN OF LOVE

David Sproule

There has long been a discussion regarding the Bible as to whether it is “A Rule Book” or “A Love Letter.” (Note: The Bible nowhere uses those kinds of terms to describe itself, so recognize that we are using language that man has created in an effort to describe the Bible. Thus, this language falls short in many ways of adequately and accurately describing Scripture, but we are using it here accommodatively to examine a particular point.)

Some have argued over the years that the Bible is “A Love Letter” from God and should never be viewed as “A Rule Book.” Their proposition is based upon what they perceive to be an unhealthy emphasis by some to teach the need to obey commands in the Bible rather than accept and experience the love of God. What these individuals have attempted to do is to strategically (yeah, in a surgical manner) to separate God’s expressions of His love for mankind from any requirements that He may impose. The question you need to consider is—What does the Bible teach? Are “love” and “rules” mutually exclusive?

First, the Bible teaches with absolute clarity that God loves us (John 3:16; Rom. 5:8; 1 John 4:7-11; etc.) That thought, in and of itself, just boggles the mind. We are so unlovable, and yet His love for us is unconditional. Yet, unconditional love does not mean unconditional approval.

Second, the Bible teaches that God wants all to be saved (1 Tim. 2:4), and He does not want any to be lost (2 Pet. 3:9), but His salvation is conditional (Matt. 7:21-28). God loves all mankind, but not all of mankind will be saved (7:13-14).

Third, the Bible teaches that obedience to the commands of God is absolutely essential in order to be saved (Heb. 5:8-9), and everlasting punishment awaits those who do not obey (2 Thess. 1:8-9).

Fourth, the Bible teaches that there are commands given by God in the Bible (the word “command[ments]” is found 24 times in Psalm 119), and that God does “require” that we “keep the commandments” (Deut. 10:12-13), but what He commands is “for your good” (10:13) “always” (6:24).

Put all of this together. God loves us! God loves us so much that He wants to save us! God loves us so much that He laid out detailed steps for us to take to be saved! God loves us so much that He warned us what would happen if we chose to not respond obediently to Him extending His love to us! He loves us so much that He gave us “commands” (He uses that word instead of “rules”), so that when we “keep” them, we demonstrate our “love” back to Him (John 14:15). Wow! What a loving, wonderful God we have!

EASTER SUNDAY YOU CAN'T DO THAT JUST THEN

Kevin Cauley

Easter Sunday is a fine time to remember the resurrection of Jesus, as is every day of the year. Those who seek to remember Jesus only on Easter Sunday do not really remember Him, because Jesus wants us to remember Him every day. Paul wrote in 2 Corinthians 5:15, “and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.” You can’t do that just on Easter Sunday.

Do you remember Him as often as He has asked you to do so?

There are many other things that Jesus wants us to do that can’t be done just on Easter Sunday. Jesus wants us to remember his death, burial, and resurrection in the Lord’s Supper every first day of the week (1 Corinthians 11:25, Acts 20:7). You can’t do that just on Easter Sunday. Jesus wants us to take up our cross daily and follow Him (Luke 9:23). You can’t do that just on Easter Sunday. Jesus wants us to pray every day (Matthew 6:11). You can’t do that just on Easter Sunday. Jesus wants us to teach others about Him every day (Acts 5:42). You can’t do that just on Easter Sunday. Jesus wants us to be a living sacrifice (Romans 12:2). You can’t do that just on Easter Sunday.

You may be starting to get the impression that Easter Sunday doesn’t mean very much at all to Jesus. You are right; it doesn’t. Jesus does not care about your formal observance of Easter Sunday if your heart is not given to Him. Jesus said, “These people draw near to Me with their mouth, And honor Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me” (Matthew 15:8). Jesus knows where your heart truly is. Do you?

OUR AMAZING MAKER

No scientist can make a living cell (ever heard how complex DNA is?), but the human body makes 300,000,000,000 cells per day (300 billion). Even if a scientist could make one cell every second in a laboratory, working constantly night and day, it would take 9,500 years to do what the human body does in a single day!

Scientists could not begin to “make a brain,” which has about 100,000,000,000 neurons (100 billion) and about 100,000,000,000,000 connections (100 trillion). Even if a scientist were somehow given the “building blocks” for the brain and the knowledge to assemble it, it would take an incredibly long time to do it. If he could quickly make one connection per second, it would take over 31,000 years to make 100 trillion connections! Yet the human brain forms “by itself” in a mother’s womb in just a few months!

The conclusion from this and so much more evidence from creation is that we are wonderfully made by a Wonderful Designer. “I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvelous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well” (Psalm 139:14; cf. Isa. 55:8, 9).

—Jason Hilburn