

Announcements and Church News

Our Sick

Tim Adams treatment for bacteria in lungs; Teresa Broyles for cancer trmts; Joyce Stanley, Kim Taylor, Sandy Caldwell, and Nancy VanWinkle for health issues.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR FAMILY/FRIENDS;

Tiffany Broyles—sister, Tennille for surgery; The Broyles' cousins, Jim Arnett and Danna Stevens and her grandson; Yllka Bejo's— mother recovering; Les Vasterling's— father/Hospice care; Harm Wilder- ICU at Morton Plant; Kim Taylor's relative Melody/heart issues; The Follis's friend Ed for kidney transplant; The Bernhardt's relative Dustin/colon issues; Dianne Stewart's brother, Bobby Goodfield; Van Stewart's aunt Linda Parsons/ health issues; The Stingles niece's baby; Paula Davis' niece for lupus; Carol Mitchell's mother, Mary; Pat Ledford's brother Tom; Jim and Val Clark need prayers for Delilah and Larry Roberts and Tyra Tackett. Darrell Broking-health issues. Dawn McFarland's-sister for prayers. Fran Barclay-asked for prayers for friends Jim & Trudy also Cora Whitt and son Cody.

PRAYERS FOR CANCER:

Edna Cudal's cousin Jeannette Greer; 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; Joyce Feazell's sister Donna is now cancer free; 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 Our Shut-ins

At Home: Winston Sandlin

Activities

K-5 Camp—Jesus Loves Me—From June 17th to the 19th at Weeki Wachee Christian Camp. Contact Chad or Sabrina Tagtow at 863-412-0022 or go online to: wwcc.camp/k5-weekend. Flyers are in the foyer.

Placed Membership—Please welcome Ruth Ann Baker to our family at Central. Please add her information to your directory: 400 61st Ave, NE, St. Petersburg, FL 33703-1502; Cell Phone# 727-303-6245.

Christian Courier—The latest issue just arrived and is dedicated to the memory of brother Wayne Jackson. Please pick up a copy today in the foyer.

Teacher Meeting—For all those interested in teaching there will be a meeting right after the evening service tonight.

A Man May Go To Heaven

Without health, Without wealth,
Without fame, Without great name,
Without learning, Without big earning,
Without culture, Without friends,
Without a thousand other things,
But he can never go to heaven
Without Christ.

Reminder—Weekly sermons are available on CD, our website and 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 Member Directory call the office — 727-446-4808.

Birthdays This Week

Joy Ingram—June 17th
Aurea Maravilla—June 19th
Dianne Stewart—June 20th

Anniversaries This Week

Roy and Verla Krula— June 13th



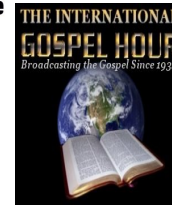
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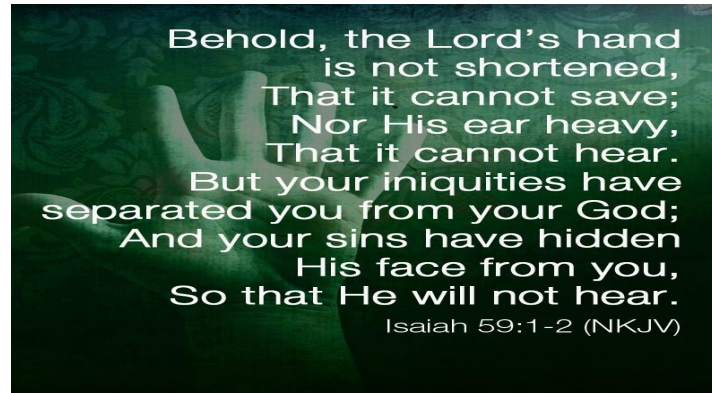
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Bi-Monthly Publication



Now on YouTube
(24/7) to hear Jeff Archey as speaker.

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



Elders:

Joe Bonelli
Charles Broyles
James George

Deacons:

Max Herman — Jim Follis
Chad Broyles

Preacher: **Charles Broyles**

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Sunday Bible Study
Postponed
Charles Broyles

Sunday AM Worship—10:30
Facebook Live

Guest Speaker—Brian Howard
What's The Big Deal
Isaiah 59:1-2

Pew Packers
Postponed

Sunday PM Worship—5:00
Facebook Live

Charles Broyles
When You Get To Gethsemane
Hebrews 5:7

Ladies Bible Study
Postponed

Wed. Bible Study—7:00PM
Facebook Live
Charles Broyles



From the Preacher's Pen

MATTHEW 6:33

Garland M. Robinson

Jesus said, “But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness...” Every single person, with no exceptions, is obligated to seek God —seek Him FIRST. As a matter of fact, there is absolutely nothing in life that is more important. Family is at the top of the list of obligations, yet does not rank as high as one’s obligation to “seek...the kingdom of God.”

The people of Athens Greece in the first century were very religious, so much so, they had erected idols to every god imaginable and did not want to leave one out. Yet Paul told them that God does not dwell in temples made with hands, nor is he worshipped with men’s hands. Every human being is equal —none above the other. Every single person has the same obligation —“...they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us” (Acts 17:27).

Men don’t see the obligation to seek God first, or when it is presented to them, they refuse to recognize it and heed it. It doesn’t seem real to them —out of sight, out of mind! But thinking this way does not make the reality of it go away. As Christians, our job is to warn people night and day (Mark 16:15; Acts 20:31). But sadly, Jesus said, “For many are called, but few are chosen” (Matt. 22:14). He also tells the world: “Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it” (Matt. 7:14).

Why will only a few (out of the masses of humanity) find the way that leads to everlasting life? It’s because they do not seek it diligently. Jesus also said, “Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able” (Luke 13:24). Why won’t they be able? Because they make up their own rules and attempt to bring the world’s baggage along with them. We live in a world of “have it your own way” religion.

While everyone is different, different likes and dislikes, different opinions and beliefs, there’s ONLY ONE WAY that is right and EVERY OTHER WAY is wrong. By inspiration, Jeremiah summed it up well, “O LORD, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps” (Jer. 10:23). Solomon recorded, “There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death” (Prov. 14:12; 16:25). Because of such, “The LORD is far from the wicked: but he heareth the prayer of the righteous” (Prov. 15:29).

Serving the Lord is about doing things HIS WAY, not our way. Jesus said, “And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say” (Luke 6:46)? He summed it up in these words: “Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity” (Matt. 7:21-23). Notice these words: “he that doeth the will of my Father.” If we do what we think or the way we see it, it’s not the will of God!

Paul told the brethren in the church at Colosse to “...seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth” (Col. 3:1-2).

David once wrote: “O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is; To see thy power and thy glory...” (Psalm 63:1-2).

Solomon wrote these words: “My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee; So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding; Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding; If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures; Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God. For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding. He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: he is a buckler to them that walk uprightly. He keepeth the paths of judgment, and preserveth the way of his saints. Then shalt thou understand righteousness, and judgment, and equity; yea, every good path” (Prov. 2:1-9).

Ecclesiastes 9:10 declares, “Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do [it] with thy might; for [there is] no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.”

To seek the Lord’s way is the way that leads to eternal life. “Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled” (Matt. 5:6). If we hunger and thirst after God’s eternal word, we’ll find the greatest treasure that man could ever imagine. We will gladly pay whatever the price. That’s the way Jesus speaks of it. “The kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls: Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it” (Matt. 13:44-46).

Living a faithful Christian life can and will cost us everything. But it’s worth the price. Jesus said, “I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law. And a man’s foes shall be they of his own household. He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me. He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it” (Matt. 10:36-39).

If family or anything else stands in your way of being faithful to the Lord, then you must choose God and not family. It’s a matter of priorities. If you choose family before the Lord, then heaven will not be your home. But, “every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name’s sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life” (Matt. 19:29).

“Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall: For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ” (2 Peter 1:10-11).