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Sunday Bible Study 9:45 am  
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Evening Worship 6:00 pm  
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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www.flatwoodschurch-  
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-Dahn Ramkelawan  
Suriname, So. America  
-Michael Mayo  
Thailand, SE Asia

**SEARCH TV**

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

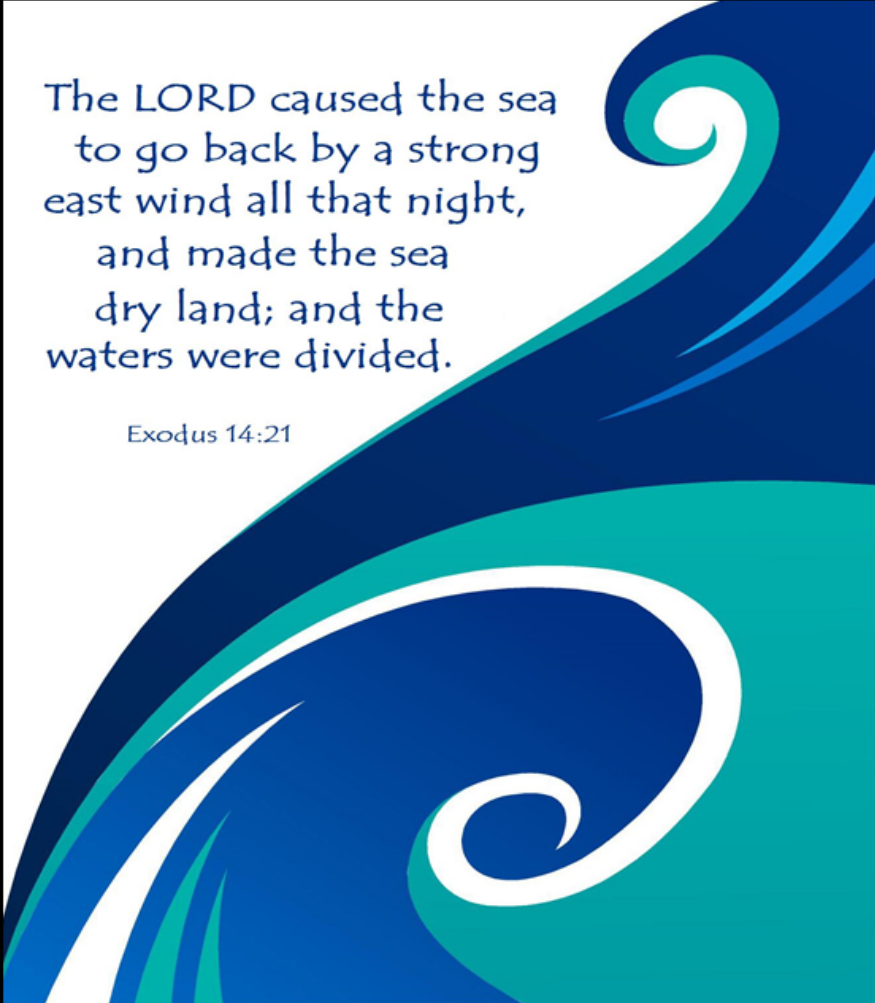
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The LORD caused the sea  
to go back by a strong  
east wind all that night,  
and made the sea  
dry land; and the  
waters were divided.

Exodus 14:21

**We offer FREE: 4 Bible correspondence course series by mail:**  
an 8 lesson series by Hurt, a 6 lesson series "Acts Of The Apostles"  
by Pharr, the "Studies In The Bible" 30 lesson series, and the  
20 lesson series "Getting To Know Jesus" by Pharr. Let everyone know!

## The Cleansing Fountain

Zechariah prophesied many details of the coming Messiah. In Zechariah 13:1, he spoke of the era when the Messiah would come, saying, "In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness." The Messiah quoted from Zechariah 13 when He approached the final, culminating hours of His earthly life. In Mark 14:27, Jesus quotes from Zechariah 13:7, in His last meeting with His disciples before the crucifixion, to indicate that very soon, in fulfillment of prophecy, the shepherd would be smitten, and sheep scattered. What to the disciples seemed as the most unimaginable, ungodly deed, utterly against the will of God, was in reality a divine appointment for the cleansing of mankind (Acts 2:23). Thus the Father speaks in personification to the sword, an instrument of death, to awake against His shepherd, "the man that is my fellow," indicating the human and divine natures that Christ possessed while here on earth (Zechariah 13:7).

God became a man in order to die for us (Philippians 2:5-10). He was named "JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21). His forerunner identified Him as "the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world" (John 1:29). He Himself declared that He came for those who were sin sick (Mark 2:17). When the murder of God's innocent lamb was finished, the soldier took a spear and opened up the cleansing fountain of blood and water (John 19:34). From that time forgiveness of sins has been preached (Luke 24:47). Jesus loves us and washes us from our sins in His own blood (Revelation 1:5). Jesus commissioned water baptism as the means by which men can be washed in His blood and be saved (Mark 16:16). In baptism, sins are remitted (Acts 2:38), blotted out (Acts 3:19), and washed away (Acts 22:16). The marvelous characteristic of the new covenant is that Jesus' blood has been shed so that sins can be remitted (Matthew 26:28) and remembered no more (Hebrews 8:12).

How could the murder of His only begotten Son be part of God's plan? It is because He loves us and desires to show mercy to us through His Son (1 John 4:9). For this reason, "it pleased the Lord to bruise him" (Isaiah 53:10). With such a wonderful spiritual blessing before us, we can join in with Micah and say, "Who *is* a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? he retaineth not his anger for ever, because he delighteth *in* mercy. He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea" (Micah 7:18-19).

All praise to God for opening up a cleansing fountain through His Son's blood. Will you be washed in it?

There is a fountain filled with blood  
drawn from Emmanuel's veins;  
and sinners plunged beneath that flood  
lose all their guilty stains.

-Mark Day

# News & Notes



## Sermons Today

AM- "Peace of Mind "

PM- "Cities of Refuge "

Scripture Reading: Joshua 20:1-9

## Dates to Remember

**Dec 13**- Lads To Leaders- 12pm- annex

**Dec 15**- Prime-timers- 10a - annex

**Dec 18**- Ladies Luncheon- 12:30p- Kentucky Hall of Fame Café- Town Center Mall

**Dec 19**- Youth Holiday Party at Jeremiah & Katie Smith's- 5:30p

**Dec 20**- Elders, deacons, preachers meet-4:30p

**Dec 20**- Spare-time Rec Center event- 8-11p- by the Ironton church group- free admit.

**Dec 29**- Prime-timers- 10a - annex

**Dec 31**- New Year's Watch- 9p -midnight

**Jan 5**- Prime-timers- 10am- annex

**Jan 10**- Lads to Leaders registration deadline

**Jan 12**- Prime-timers- 10am- annex

**Jan 17**- elders, deacons, preachers meet-4:30p

**Jan 17**- youth devotional-annex- 7p- hosted by the Morrises

**Jan 19**- Prime-timers- 10am- annex

**Jan 24**- guest speaker- Ralph Brewer, Potter Children's Home Executive Director

**Jan 26**- Prime-timers- 10am- annex

**Jan 30**- Ernie & Sharon Perry's 50th Wedding Anniversary celebration- annex

**Jan 31**- 5th Sunday, Preachers Answer Your Bible Questions

## A New Brother In Christ

Last Sunday night at Friendship church of Christ, Gabe Scott, the youngest son of Chris and Amanda Scott, was baptized. Let us all encourage our newest brother in every way possible.

## Lads To Leaders Planning Meeting

There will be a Lads to Leaders meeting today after AM service in the large annex classroom. Please attend if you would like to participate or if you would like to learn more about the program.

## December Ladies Luncheon

The monthly ladies' luncheon will be Friday, Dec. 18th, at 12:30pm at the Kentucky Hall of Fame Café in the Town Center Mall where the Mexican restaurant used to be. All women are invited to attend.

## Open Invitation

On Sunday, Dec. 20th, the 10th & Vine St. Ironton congregation invite everyone to the Spare Time Recreation Center for an evening of bowling, skating and other activities. Admission is free, the event is from 8pm to 11pm. You will need money for refreshments and shoe rental.

**Have you contacted a shut-in lately?**

**Why not today?**



## Gauging Our Faith

	12/06/15	Goal	12/07/14
<b>Bible Study</b>	88	110	83
<b>AM Worship</b>	158	150	114
<b>PM Worship</b>	94	110	77
<b>Mid Week</b>	91	110	81
<b>Contribution:</b>	\$6246.11	\$5500.00	\$5664.31

**Youth Holiday Party**  
at Jeremiah & Katie Smith's home  
5:30pm Saturday, Dec. 19th

## ☞ Today's Servants ☜

### WELCOME:

**AM/PM:** Chris Scott

### SONG LEADER:

**AM:** Steve Wallace

**PM:** Brad Morris

### FIRST PRAYER:

**AM:** Clyde Hammonds

**PM:** Chuck Dolen

### LORD'S TABLE:

**Presiding AM:** Jerry Sturgill

**Assisting:** Mark Parks,  
Jeremiah Smith, Roy Murphy,  
Dan Stone, Ernie Perry,  
Don Music, Darick Carter

**Presiding PM:** Nathan Parks

**Assisting:** Mitch Stafford

### CLOSING PRAYER:

**AM:** Lowell Parsley

**PM:** Tim Hammond

## ☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

**WELCOME:** Greg Hall

**SONG LEADER:** Will Scott

**PRAYER:** Jordan Conley

**DEVOTIONAL:** Nathan Parks

## ☞ Weekly Servants ☜

**POWER POINT:** David Castle

**BLDG. ATTENDANT:** Jerry Sturgill

**ATTENDANCE:** Michael Perry

**COORDINATOR:** Matt Vonderheide

## Welcome, Visitor!

We are so pleased to have you as our guest today.

If you are a *first-time visitor* with us, please, fill out a 'visitor card' that you will find on the back of the pew. You may put it in the collection plate or give it to one of the men at the auditorium doors as you exit.

We have tract racks on the wall in the foyer with **free tracts and literature**. We also have **Bible correspondence courses** you can sign up to receive by mail at **no cost to you**. Let our preacher know if you would like to set up an **in-home Bible study**.

Thank you for attending. Come back soon!

## ★★ Youth Notes ★★

★★ Every Sunday ★★

**Pew Packers at 5:45pm**

in the front of the auditorium

-geared to age 12 & under, but everyone is invited to attend. Boys have a song ready to lead for the group

★★ Today ★★

**Lads To Leaders Meeting**

12 noon- annex large classroom

★★ Dec. 19th ★★

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