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Morning Worship 10:45 am  
Evening Worship 6:00 pm  
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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*...the hope of glory*

*Colossians 1:27*

**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!

## Don't Forget to Put These on Your Prayer List

Prayers of giving thanks to God will be uttered this week. This is good; we do not want to be unthankful people who take God's blessings for granted. The United States is so blessed with material wealth that we should acknowledge the source of it all (Deut. 8:18). Many fall into the same trap as the rich Israelites in the days of Amos who were "at ease in Zion" (Amos 6:1). As long as they could enjoy themselves relaxing on their ivory couches, listening to music, eating the finest steak and drinking their wine, they could not have cared less for the affliction of God's people (Amos 6:3-6). Ingratitude leads to a whole host of other sins (Rom. 1:21ff).

This brings us to another component that should also be included in our prayers: confession of sin (Neh. 1:6; Jer. 14:20; Dan. 9:3-15). Our founding fathers and some of our past presidents thought it necessary to set aside a day not merely for giving thanks, but for confessing the sins of the nation. While the threat of terrorist attacks and the mounting national debt are real concerns for the citizens of this nation, we must realize it is not the strength and cunning of our enemies nor the fiscal woes of our federal government that should be our chief concern. By far the sins of our nation pose the most serious threat to our peace and prosperity (Prov. 14:34). The sins of murder and fornication are described in God's word as defiling a land; when God dealt with the particular nation of Israel in the Old Testament, He gave these two sins as reasons for why that nation of Canaan were taken off the land and why Israel herself would lose the land if she allowed such (Lev. 18:24-28; Num. 35:31-34). God hates the shedding of innocent blood (Prov. 6:17), and the 58 million children who have been slaughtered in their mothers' wombs with the legal consent of our highest court since 1973 is a debt that is far more serious than the \$20 trillion of national debt that has so many people talking. Sooner or later the bill comes due. When nations refuse to make murderers pay for their crimes, as our nation has since the legalization of abortion, God will require payment sooner or later (Gen. 9:6; 2 Kings 21:16; 24:2-4). The cities of Sodom and Gomorrah stand as a testament to God's judgment upon fornication and perversion (Jude 7; cf. Rom. 1:26-27; Heb. 13:4). A land that is filled with fornication and remains impenitent should be most terrified by a coming judgment from God.

This brings us to a third component that should be in our prayers: requests for deliverance. Faithful children of God who are troubled every day by the wickedness that surrounds them should pray to God for deliverance (Mt. 6:13; cf. 1 Cor. 10:13). Just as God would have spared Sodom for the sake of ten righteous souls (Gen. 18:32), so He is mindful of the Christians who are living righteously in our nation. We should recognize that God, "delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked: (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed *his* righteous soul from day to day with *their* unlawful deeds;) The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished" (2 Pet. 2:7-9). We should pray for our nation and its leaders so that we can lead a quiet and peaceable life of godliness and honesty (1 Tim. 2:2).

—Mark Day

# News & Notes



## Sermons This Week

AM- *"The Tabernacle in the Midst of God's People"*

PM- *"The Hope of Glory"*

Scripture Reading: Colossians 1:26-29

## 2016 Dates to Remember

Nov 20- Elders/Deacons/Preachers meet-4:30p

Nov 22- Prime-timers group- cancelled

Nov 27- All Youth/Parent devotion-7p- annex hosted by the Scotts

Nov 29- Prime-timers group- annex- 10a

Dec 3- Scotts' pancake breakfast-8a- annex

Dec 6- Prime-timers group- annex- 10a

Dec 10- Kathy Hall's Ladies holiday party- her home- 6p- sign up on bulletin board

Dec 13- Prime-timers group- annex- 10a

Dec 18- Elders/Deacons/Preachers meet-4:30p

Dec 20- Prime-timers group- annex- 10a

Dec 27- Prime-timers group- annex- 10a

Dec 31- New Year's Eve Watch- 9p

## Mark Your 2017 Calendars

Feb 5-9- Freed-Hardeman U. lectureship

Mar 26-29- 'Biblical Apologetics' Gospel Meeting with David Lipe here

Apr 14-16- Lads to Leaders convention- Nashville

Jul 2-8- Ft. Hill Youth Camp week

Jul 24-28- Vacation Bible School here

Sep 8-9- Marriage Seminar with Alan Cole

Nov 4- Ladies Day with Sheila Butt-8:30a

Nov 5- Bring A Friend Day

Dec 2- Scotts' Pancake Breakfast- annex- 8a

## Gauging Our Faith

	11/13/16	Goal	11/15/15
<b>Bible Study</b>	119	110	108
<b>AM Worship</b>	183	150	157
<b>PM Worship</b>	103	110	104
<b>Mid Week</b>	94	110	77
<b>Contribution:</b>	\$6717.75	\$5600.00	\$5654.26

## Elders, Deacons, Preachers Meet

This group will meet today at 4:30pm in the annex large classroom.

## Food Basket Donations

We need to stock our food pantry for people who may need holiday baskets this year. A list of suggested donation items is on the foyer table. Please, leave donation items beside the food closet in the sound room hallway.

## Benevolence

With our new benevolence program, you can direct assistance to a family in need. Each member has \$200 at your discretion for a family or person in need. You may speak with Nathan Parks or JC Hughes for details, approvals & procedure to access funds.

## Family Meals Needed

Meals are being coordinated for the Day family 2 or 3 times per week. Please, call Bev Conley at 606-923-7073 to assist. Thank you.

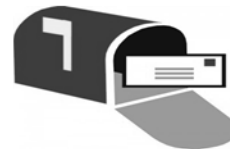
## New Cookbook- 2017

We are making a new cookbook for our 2017 November 4th Ladies Day. Please, pick up the form and submit your clearly printed recipes to the office. See Ann Hughes, Jane Isaacs or Patti Reaves for details.

## Prime-timers Group

This group is cancelled Nov. 22nd, but is an open discussion Bible study group that usually meets on Tuesdays at 10am in the annex large classroom. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

**Have you contacted  
a shut-in lately?  
Why not today?**



## ☞ Today's Servants ☜

**WELCOME:**

**AM/PM:** Chris Scott

**SONG LEADER:**

**AM:** Nathan Adkins

**PM:** Jeremiah Smith

**FIRST PRAYER:**

**AM:** Bob Tushay

**PM:** Tim Hammond

**LORD'S TABLE:**

**Presiding AM:** Greg Hall

**Assisting:** JC Hughes,  
Greg Conley, Mark Parks,  
Dan Stone, Shelby Steele,  
Mitch Stafford, David Castle

**Presiding PM:** David Smith

**Assisting:** Daniel Goshorn

**CLOSING PRAYER:**

**AM:** Daniel Goshorn

**PM:** Edgar Phillips

## ☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

**WELCOME:** Greg Conley

**SONG LEADER:** Steve Wallace

**PRAYER:** Mark Parks

**DEVOTIONAL:** JC Hughes

## ☞ Weekly Servants ☜

**POWER POINT:** Nathan Parks

**BLDG. ATTENDANT:** JC Hughes

**ATTENDANCE:** David Castle

**COORDINATOR:** Steve Wallace

## ★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★★ Every Sunday ★★

**Pew Packers**

at 5:45pm

in front of the auditorium

-geared to age 12 & under,  
but everyone is welcomed.

Boys: have a song ready to lead

★★ Nov. 27 ★★

**Youth/Parent Devo**

7pm- annex-

hosted by the Scotts

Bring snacks and soft drinks to share



## Memory Verse

Nov. 20– Col. 1:27

your name \_\_\_\_\_

witnessed by \_\_\_\_\_

Preview:

Dec. 4– Psalm 100:5