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Sunday Bible Study 9:45am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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-Dahn Ramkelawan
Suriname, So. America
-Michael Mayo
Thailand, SE Asia
-“In Search of the Lord’s
Way” TV broadcast

SEARCH TV

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

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*Be kindly affectioned
one to another
with brotherly
love;
in honor
preferring
one another;*



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!

Miracles as Credentials

When God called Moses in Exodus 3 to appear before Pharaoh in order to lead the Israelites out of Egyptian bondage, Moses had fears and excuses for not going. With each excuse Moses gave, God provided the adequate reasons and resources for Moses to be successful and to make his excuses null and void.

One fear Moses had was that neither the Egyptians nor the Israelites would believe that the Lord had appeared to him (Ex. 4:1). Instead of depending on the mere words of Moses, God provided miracles to back up his claims that God had indeed commissioned him. The miracles of his rod turning into a serpent, leprosy instantaneously appearing and disappearing on his flesh, and water turning into blood were God's attestations that Moses was His messenger (Ex. 4:2-9).

The miracles recorded in the Bible indicate God's confirmation of those who were speaking for Him. Jesus claimed to be sent from God and had works that bore witness to the veracity of the claim (Jn. 5:36). Certainly the miracles of Jesus were deeds no other man had ever worked (Jn. 15:24); moreover, the works were to produce belief in Him (Jn. 14:11). A sampling of those works are recorded in the New Testament in order to produce belief even today (Jn. 20:30-31).

The apostles and prophets who were to continue the message of God in the first century before the New Testament was completed were also provided with evidence from God that their message was from Him (Mk. 16:18-20; Heb. 2:3-4). Not all Jesus wished to reveal to us was spoken during His earthly ministry; even His disciples who spent every day with Him had much more to learn (Jn. 16:12). Jesus promised the apostles the Holy Spirit would come to remind them of what He had taught and teach them all things, guiding them into all truth (Jn. 14:26; 16:13). Thus, the miraculous gifts of the Holy Spirit were exercised in the first-century church (1 Cor. 12:3-11). They served this confirmatory function while God's message was delivered in parts: a portion through an apostle here and another portion to a prophet there (1 Cor. 13:9; cf. Eph. 3:5; 2 Cor. 12:12). When the completed message was preserved in written form, the miraculous gifts vanished away, having served their purpose (1 Cor. 13:8-10; Eph. 4:8-15).

Miracles were not for the purpose of making money; Simon the Sorcerer was severely rebuked for greedily devising such a plan (Acts 8:18-24). Neither Jesus nor His apostles turned the true miracles from God into a two-hour-long television special to excite emotions and make money. Jesus refused to perform shallow spectacles (Mt. 4:5-7). The miracles were worked to engender faith in the truths of Christianity. Those who did not believe when they had seen the miraculous evidence were scolded for their hard hearts (Mt. 11:20).

Today many claim God has sent them, is guiding them, and speaking through them beyond the message of the Bible. The Muslims claim Muhammad was the last and greatest prophet of God. The Roman Catholic Church claims the Magisterium is guided by the Holy Spirit. The Mormons have their Prophet and Council of the Twelve. The Jehovah's Witnesses look to the Watchtower organization for their guidance. A Pentecostal preacher gets up in front of an audience and tells them God told him something. Who are we to believe? Do any of these groups have the miraculous credentials from God equivalent to what we see in the Bible? Belief in their claims rests on a matter of demonstration, not argumentation. God has backed up the Bible, His true word, with miracles. Nothing of that nature is happening today.

-Mark Day

News & Notes



Sermons This Week

AM- *"The Constraints of Love"*
PM- preacher rotation- Jason Ridgeway
10th & Vine St. in Ironton

2017 Dates to Remember

Apr 9- Potluck- annex- noon
Apr 9-12- Prestonsburg church gospel meeting
w/ Jerry Carmichael- 7p nightly
Apr 11- Prime-timers- annex- 10a
Apr 14- Ceredo church- Love & Marriage
Enrichment Workshop- Alan Cole- 7-9p
Apr 14-16- Lads 2 Leaders- Louisville
Apr 18- Prime-timers- annex- 10a
Apr 23- Rome church Tri-State Worship-
singing @ 2:15p, lesson @ 3p
Apr 23- Ladies Day all committees meeting-
7p- annex large classroom
Apr 24-26- Olive Hill Gospel Meeting- 7p
Apr 25- Prime-timers- annex- 10a
Apr 30- All Youth Parent Devotional- 7p-
annex, hosts: the Vonderheides
May 13- workday Saturday 8a & barbeque 11a-
May 21- Elders/deacons/preachers meet-4:30p
Jun 14- Coffee, tea, & cakes -annex- 8p
Jul 2-8- Ft. Hill Youth Camp week
Jul 15- Church Picnic- on grounds-5p
Jul 24-28- Vacation Bible School here
Aug 6- Ice Cream/dessert night- annex- 7p
Sep 15-16- Marriage Seminar with Alan Cole
Sep 23- Cookout & singing @ the Scotts- time
TBD later
Oct 28- Trunk O Treats & Chili supper- 7p

Gauging Our Faith

	04/02/17	Goal	04/03/16
Bible Study	97	110	104
AM Worship	135	160	121
PM Worship	84	110	nc
Mid Week	nc	110	78
Contribution:	\$5109.76	\$5600.00	\$5966.11

Condolences

Our deepest sympathy is expressed to the family and friends of our Sister Glenna Crisp, who passed away last Sunday, April 2nd. Her funeral was conducted by Mark Day on Friday.

Potluck Today

There will be a potluck lunch in the annex following morning worship service. Visitors are especially encouraged to attend.

Card Shower Requested

Alexandria Knipp (20), currently on prayer list noting a migraine for over a month, has an appointment April 10th at UKMC with a neurosurgeon regarding brain surgery. She had to discontinue the semester at Western KY University, and is now at home with her parents in Olive Hill. We are requesting cards of encouragement be sent to Alex Knipp, PO Box 1166, Olive Hill, KY 41164

Lawn Maintenance Help Needed

There is a sign up sheet on the foyer bulletin board for volunteers to be on a team to maintain the church grounds on a weekly rotating basis. See Dave Castle or Greg Conley with questions.

Ladies Day Committees Meeting

All ladies who are on a committee, or who would like to be, are asked to meet on Sunday, April 23 in the annex large classroom after evening worship to plan the November Ladies Day. The list is on the bulletin board in the office. You may still add yourself to any committee at any time. Committees will meet that evening just before the entire group gathers for progress reports.

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



☞ Today's Servants ☞

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Steve Wallace

SONG LEADER:

AM: Brad Morris

PM: Dan Stone

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Jeremiah Smith

PM: Bob Tushay

LORD'S TABLE:

Presiding AM: Mark Parks

Assisting: Chris Scott,
Greg Conley, J.C. Hughes,
Jerrad Nickell, Lowell Parsley,
Mitch Stafford, Michael Sprague

Presiding PM: Chris Scott

Assisting: Daniel Goshorn

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Jordan Conley

PM: Will Scott

☞ Wednesday Servants ☞

WELCOME: Greg Hall

SONG LEADER: Jeremiah Smith

PRAYER: Denny Deskins

DEVOTIONAL: Steve Wallace

☞ Weekly Servants ☞

POWER POINT: Nathan Parks

BLDG. ATTENDANT: Chris Scott

ATTENDANCE: Michael Perry

COORDINATOR: Brad Morris

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 find
on the back of the pew. Please, put it in the
collection plate or hand 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
offer **free Bible correspondence courses**
you can 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 anytime!

★★★ 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

★★ April 30th ★★
All Youth/Parent Devo
Hosted by the Vonderheides
-bring snacks, soft drinks & friends!

