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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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Sioux Center, Ia.  
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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)

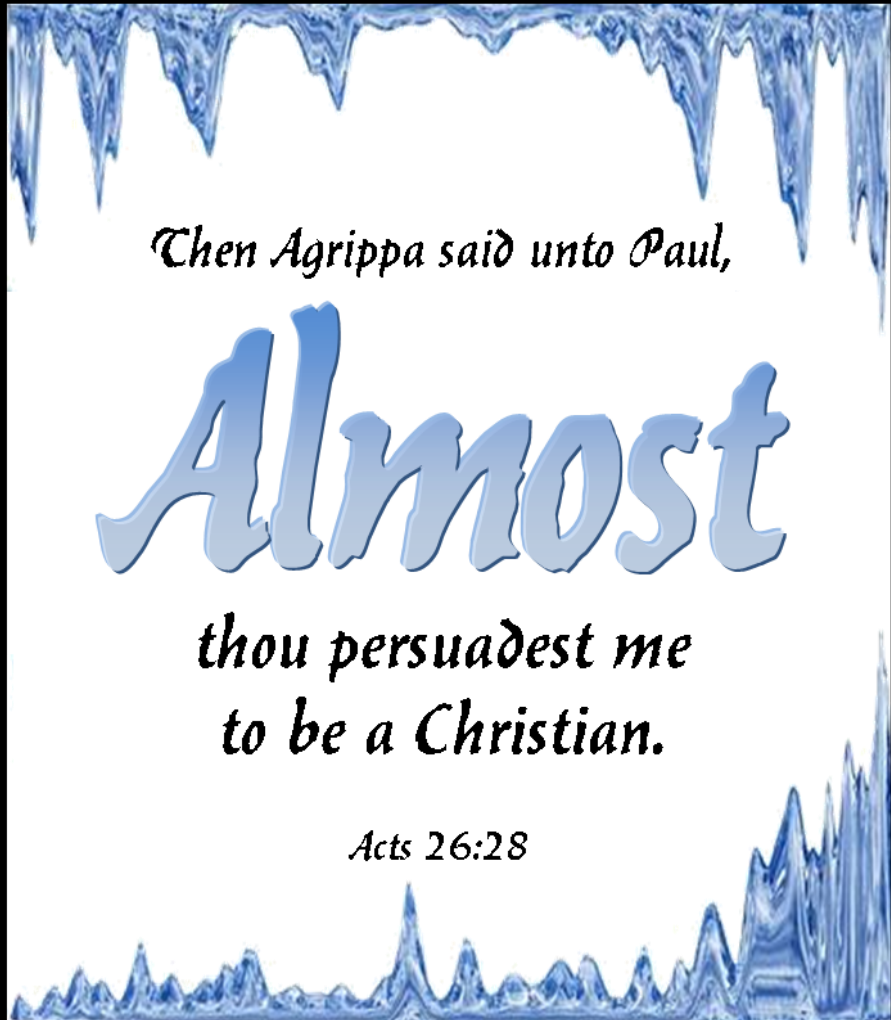
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*Then Agrippa said unto Paul,*

**Almost**

*thou persuadest me  
to be a Christian.*

*Acts 26:28*

**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 Land Promise

In his primary book on premillennial theology, *The Millennial Kingdom*, John F. Walvoord wrote, "According to the Scripture, Israel will also be...regathered from all over the earth and brought back to her ancient land, and there blessed spiritually and materially" (p. 182).

The Old Testament indeed does mention God giving Israel land and even bringing them back to that land after their exile, but the clear teaching of the Scriptures is these promises have been fulfilled. God promised Abram that his descendants would, after being oppressed 400 years by the Egyptians, receive the land of Canaan in which he sojourned (Genesis 15:13-21). When Israel was on the verge of receiving this land, Moses, who was instrumental in leading them from Egypt, gave God's warning that if they disobeyed then they would be "plucked from off the land" (Deuteronomy 28:63). The regathering of Israel to this land is prophesied in Deuteronomy 30:1-10. This was fulfilled in Nehemiah's day as he says in his prayer:

Remember, I beseech thee, the word that thou commandedst thy servant Moses, saying, *If ye transgress, I will scatter you abroad among the nations: But if ye turn unto me, and keep my commandments, and do them; though there were of you cast out unto the uttermost part of the heaven, yet will I gather them from thence, and will bring them unto the place that I have chosen to set my name there. Now these are thy servants and thy people, whom thou hast redeemed by thy great power, and by thy strong hand.* (Nehemiah 1:8-10).

The Bible teaches that God's promise to regather fleshly Israel to the land of Canaan was fulfilled over two and half millennia ago, not an event for which we ought to be looking today.

While Premillennialists often claim that the land promise was never completely fulfilled, the book of Joshua clearly teaches otherwise. Joshua is a book about Israel going in and possessing the land that God promised to give them (Joshua 1:1-4). Joshua 21:43-45 shows God made good on His promise:

And the LORD gave unto Israel all the land which he sware to give unto their fathers; and they possessed it, and dwelt therein. And the LORD gave them rest round about, according to all that he sware unto their fathers: and there stood not a man of all their enemies before them; the LORD delivered all their enemies into their hand. There failed not ought of any good thing which the LORD had spoken unto the house of Israel; all came to pass.

Though many religious people are taught this will happen again, God driving out other nations so that fleshly Israel can possess the land of Canaan, Joshua 23:13-16 shows that God had not failed to fulfill His promise and if Israel disobeyed He would "no more drive out *any of these nations* from before you."

God is no respecter of persons in regard to physical nations (Acts 10:34-35). God does not hold physical lineage above what is in one's heart (Romans 2:28-29). Physical Jews are no better than Gentiles (Romans 3:9). There is no difference between the two in God's eyes (Romans 10:12). God keeps His promises both for blessing and for wrath. He has driven wicked people off their land and removed their blessings in the past. We should be thankful for what He has given us and not pursue wickedness, lest we also have the blessings of our land revoked. Not even Old-Testament Israel could keep their land perpetually if they disobeyed God.

-Mark Day

# News & Notes



## **Sermons This Week**

AM- "Achan's Covetousness"

PM- "Paul Before Agrippa"

Scripture Reading: Acts 26:1-8

## **Restored**

Anita Hammonds was restored last Sunday. Please, keep our sister in your prayers.

## **Members Contact Information**

Our newest member is Tina Dorsey, Brianne Griffin's mother-in-law from Arizona, who just relocated here. Her address is 1013 Stella Dr., apt. 5A, Ashland, KY 41102 and phone (606) 393-1255. Please, note this in your directory.

## **2017 Dates to Remember**

**Nov 19**- elders/deacons/preachers meet- 4:30p

**Nov 21**- Prime-timers- **cancelled** for holiday

**Nov 28**- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

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

**Dec 5**- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

**Dec 9**- Kathy Hall's Ladies Holiday Party- 6p

**Dec 12**- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

**Dec 17**- elders/deacons/preachers meet- 4:30p

**Dec 19**- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

**Dec 31**- New Year's Eve watch- 9pm

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



## **Condolences**

Our sympathy goes to the family of Joyce Ross, the aunt of Renee Williamson, Anita Hammonds and Shela Gilley, who passed away Nov. 7th. Also, sympathy is expressed to Lanora Thompson and family on the loss of her nephew, Arnold Burke, 83, who passed away on Nov. 9th. Please keep these families in your prayers.

## **Prime-timers Holiday Schedule**

Prime-timers is an open discussion Bible study group that usually meets on Tuesdays at 10am in the annex large classroom. Due to the holidays the group will cancel the 11/21 & 12/26 groups.

## **2018 Book Reading Challenge**

Jerry Sturgill is coordinating another book reading challenge into the new year. You must sign up on the foyer bulletin board then read 6 books in 5 months. The book list, with the basic rules, will be available on the round table. See Jerry Sturgill for the bonus gift book for participating. The reading challenge runs from November 8, 2017, to April 8, 2018.

## **Save the December Dates**

**December 2nd:** The Scotts' will have their annual pancake breakfast at 8am in the annex. Bring your own syrup, toppings and drinks.

**December 9th:** Ladies, on Saturday, Dec. 9th, Kathy Hall will host her annual ladies holiday party in her home. There will be an optional gift exchange with a limit of \$10 for a gift, but only if you choose to participate. The church van will be taken due to limited parking around Kathy's home, leaving the building at 5:30pm.

## **Gauging Our Faith**

	11/12/17	Goal	11/13/16
<b>Bible Study</b>	93	110	119
<b>AM Worship</b>	139	160	183
<b>PM Worship</b>	80	110	103
<b>Mid Week</b>	73	110	94
<b>Contribution:</b>	\$5251.80	\$5600.00	\$6717.75

## ☞ Today's Servants ☞

### **WELCOME:**

**AM/PM:** Steve Wallace

### **SONG LEADER:**

**AM:** Nathan Adkins

**PM:** Brad Morris

### **FIRST PRAYER:**

**AM:** Bob Tushay

**PM:** Ben Poling

### **LORD'S TABLE:**

**Presiding AM:** Greg Conley

**Assisting:** Chris Scott,  
Greg Hall, Mark Parks,  
Dan Stone, Shelby Steele,  
David Castle, Jack Little

**Presiding PM:** David Smith

**Assisting:** Daniel Goshorn

### **CLOSING PRAYER:**

**AM:** Daniel Goshorn

**PM:** Steve Wallace

## ☞ Wednesday Servants ☞

**WELCOME:** Greg Conley

**SONG LEADER:** Steve Wallace

**PRAYER:** Mark Parks

**DEVOTIONAL:** Nathan Parks

## ☞ Weekly Servants ☞

**POWER POINT:** Nathan Parks

**BLDG. ATTENDANT:** David Smith

**ATTENDANCE:** David Castle

**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



★★ Dec. 2 ★★

### Pancake Breakfast

Come have breakfast in the annex at 8:00am with Chris & Amanda Scott making everything. Just bring your own syrup and drinks!

