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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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MISSIONS

-Dustin Bolks
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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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Fight the
good fight of

FAITH,



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ETERNAL
life

1 Timothy 6:12

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!

Take the Sword

When the Israelites clamored for a king to fight their battles—rejecting God as their king—Saul was selected (1 Samuel 8:7, 19-20; 10:18-24; 12:12-13). After reigning on the throne for two years, Saul had an army of 3,000 men, 1,000 of whom were under the command of his son Jonathan (1 Samuel 13:1-2). The Philistines readied a daunting military force of 30,000 chariots, 6,000 horsemen, and people as numerous as the sand on the seashore to meet the Israelites in battle (1 Samuel 13:5). Saul's army was so frightened that they ran and hid themselves (1 Samuel 13:6). After Saul had sinned in attempting to present unauthorized offerings to the Lord, Samuel rebuked Saul and the situation grew even dimmer (1 Samuel 13:8-14); only 600 men were present with Saul (1 Samuel 13:16). Moreover, their lack of weaponry is described in 1 Samuel 13:19-22:

Now there was no smith found throughout all the land of Israel: for the Philistines said, Lest the Hebrews make *them* swords or spears: But all the Israelites went down to the Philistines, to sharpen every man his share, and his coultter, and his axe, and his mattock. Yet they had a file for the mattocks, and for the coultters, and for the forks, and for the axes, and to sharpen the goads. So it came to pass in the day of battle, that there was neither sword nor spear found in the hand of any of the people that *were* with Saul and Jonathan: but with Saul and with Jonathan his son was there found.

Thus, only two swords, one for Saul and one for Jonathan, could be found among the entire Israelite army.

Israel was unarmed to meet the foe and frightened before an enemy that vastly outnumbered them. The Lord's church is described in the New Testament as the Israel of God (Galatians 6:16). Though our warfare is not carnal (2 Corinthians 10:4), the need for God's people to be armed against Satan's assaults could not be more pressing. Paul wrote in Ephesians 6:10-13:

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high *places*. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

God's word is sharp as a sword (Hebrews 4:12). We are to take, "the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God" (Ephesians 6:17). Trials, temptations, skepticism, fraudulent religions and false doctrines surround you. But God is with you and He is greater than the world (1 John 4:4). God delivered Israel through Jonathan (1 Samuel 14); there is no telling how much God can do through one person armed with His word today. Do not be left unarmed to meet the foe. Spend enough time with God's word that you make it a part of you. With the word of God you can "war a good warfare" (1 Timothy 1:18), you can "fight the good fight of faith," and "lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:12).

-Mark Day

News & Notes



Sermons This Week

AM- Jerry Sturgill- "*If I Am Lost*"
 PM- Jerry Sturgill- "*Results of Bible Study*"

2018 Dates to Remember

- Feb 20-** Prime-timers- 10a- annex
Feb 23- Ladies luncheon- 12:30p- Firehouse Subs by Dunham's on Russell Road
Feb 25- elders/deacons/preachers meet- 4:30p- annex large classroom
Feb 27- Prime-timers- 10a- annex
Mar 3- Ladies Day- Sheila Butt- Fishingier & Kenny Rd. church of Christ, Columbus, OH 8:30a-1p- "Memories in the Making"- **Sign up on foyer bulletin board to go**
Mar 10- Ladies Day at Main St. church of Christ in Hurricane, WV- see the flyer on the foyer board for details
Apr 1- Potter Children's Home pick-up week
Apr 8-12- Main St. church of Christ Gospel Meeting w/ Mark Day- Mon-Thu- 7p Hurricane, WV
Apr 14- Ft. Hill Youth Camp All Staff Workshop- reservations required
Apr 15-18- Our Gospel Meeting "...Always Reaching Forward..." with Jerry Carmichael (and M-W 10am Bible studies "Lessons from the Psalms")
Apr 28- Ft. Hill Camp Teen Spring Retreat
May 18-19- Ft. Hill Men's Retreat- \$50/person

February Ladies Luncheon

On Friday, Feb. 23rd, all ladies are invited to meet at the Firehouse Subs beside Dunham's Sporting Goods, off Rt.23, at 12:30pm.

Elders, Deacons, Preachers to Meet

Sunday, the 25th, this group will meet in the annex large classroom at 4:30pm (changed from the 18th).

March 3rd Ladies Day

Several ladies will be attending this event in Columbus. Please, sign up on the foyer bulletin board if you are going so carpooling or transportation can be arranged from this building to the event. You will need to call the number on the flyer to register.

Donations Needed

Potter Children's Home is asking for specific donated items to be picked up during the week of April 1st. Their requested items are: AAA batteries, brown rice, instant potatoes, Magic Eraser sponges and tomato juice. Lists are on the foyer board. Please, put your donations in the sound room hallway under the coat rack. Thank you.

Prime-timers

This open discussion Bible study group meets Tuesdays at 10am in the annex classroom. A new study has just started called "The Attributes of God." Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Gauging Our Faith

	02/11/18	Goal	02/12/17
Bible Study	90	110	100
AM Worship	132	160	147
PM Worship	70	110	90
Mid Week	86	110	93
Contribution:	\$ 5052.75	\$5600.00	\$6260.21

Have you contacted
 a shut-in lately?
 Why no today?



☞ Today's Servants ☜

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Chris Scott

SONG LEADER:

AM: Steve Wallace

PM: Brad Morris

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: David Trimble

PM: Nathan Parks

LORD'S TABLE:

Presiding AM: Greg Conley

Assisting: Chris Scott,
Greg Hall, David Smith,
Jerrad Nickell, Shelby Steele,
Mark Gullett, Jacob Martin

Presiding PM: Jordan Conley

Assisting: Will Scott

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Nathan Adkins

PM: Denny Deskins

☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

WELCOME: Greg Conley

SONG LEADER: Steve Wallace

PRAYER: Chris Scott

DEVOTIONAL: J.C. Hughes

☞ Weekly Servants ☜

POWER POINT: David Castle

BLDG. ATTENDANT: David Smith

ATTENDANCE: Mitch Stafford

COORDINATOR: David Castle

★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★★ Every Sunday ★★

Pew Packers

at 5:45pm in front

of the auditorium

-geared to age 12

and under,

but everyone can attend!

Boys: have a song ready
to lead



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!