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SERVICES

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
Sioux Center, Ia.
-Dahn Ramkelawan
Suriname, So. America
-Michael Mayo
Thailand, SE Asia
-*"In Search of the Lord's
Way"* TV broadcast
-Stephane Maillet
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-Brandon Foresha
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SEARCH TV

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

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...be of good cheer, I have
OVERCOME
THE WORLD

John 16:33



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!

In the World, Not of the World

When Jesus was about to leave this world by His death on the cross, He prayed to the Father for His disciples, "I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world" (John 17:14-16). While Jesus' death and resurrection would spell defeat for the prince of this world (John 12:31), the devil can still lure the disciples of the Lord into eternal ruin. Christ's victory will be consummated at the end when He delivers up the kingdom to the Father and death, the last enemy, is destroyed (1 Corinthians 15:24-26). In the meantime, children of God must still live in a world that lies in wickedness (1 John 5:19).

While Christ's followers are to be distinct from the world just as He was not of the world (John 17:16; cf. Romans 12:2), He does not desire that they be removed from the world. Our task is to fight a cosmic conflict. Our Lord has not commissioned that we be withdrawn from the world, but rather go out and engage the world with the Gospel (Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-16; Luke 24:47). We must confront the world while not being confused with the world. The Pharisees so separated themselves that they despised Jesus for eating with publicans and sinners; He did not participate in their sin with them, but as a physician heals the sick He brought them to repentance (Matthew 9:9-13). Matthew himself was one of these. The church is the pillar and ground of the truth, holding up the truth for the world, that men may be saved by coming to a knowledge of the truth (1 Timothy 2:4; 3:15).

Jesus identified His followers as salt and light (Matthew 5:13-16). Salt preserves and purifies. It was used in sacrifices and offerings (Leviticus 2:13; Ezekiel 43:24; Mark 9:49). Elisha used salt to purify poisoned waters of Jericho (2 Kings 2:19-22). Christians are the chief preserving agents of righteousness in the world. Without them the world would look like it did before the Flood—God's universal punishment. Then the wickedness of man was great on the earth, men's hearts were only imagining evil continually, and the earth was filled with violence; the only exception was Noah—the preacher of righteousness—and his family, the eight souls who were saved by water while the ungodly were drowned (Genesis 6:5, 11; 1 Peter 3:20; 2 Peter 2:5). Light shines in the darkness and stands out. Paul's desire for Christians at Philippi was not that they would be identified with the world, nor be removed from the world, but, as he writes, "That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world; Holding forth the word of life" (Philippians 2:15-16a).

Salt can lose its savor and light can grow dim; beware, this world can contaminate the Christian. However, let us also remember that the devil came to our Lord while He was alone in the wilderness (Mark 1:13). Conflict with the spiritual powers of darkness is part of the Christian life; we must stand wearing the armor of God instead of turning our backs and retreating (Ephesians 6:10-18).

-Mark Day

News & Notes



Sermons This Week

10:45 AM: Jerry Sturgill- "There Is One..."

6:00 PM: Jerry Sturgill- "The Church at Pergamos"

Scripture Reading: Revelation 2:12-17

Dates to Remember

Mar 10- 2nd Sunday Bible Study- 2p- at Morning Pointe

Mar 12- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Mar 12- Participating Partners ladies group 5p-6:30p- annex large classroom

Mar 16- Ladies Day, Sheila Butt, Main St. church in Hurricane, WV

Mar 17- elders/deacons/preachers meet- 4:30p- annex large classroom

Mar 19- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Mar 23- Wallace/ Ward wedding- 5p

Mar 26- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Mar 29- Ladies Luncheon- 12:30p- at Slim Chickens in Ashland

Mar 31- deadline for Potter donations

Apr 14- Potluck luncheon- 12p- annex

Apr 14-17- Our Gospel Meeting with Phil Sanders

Apr 18-21- Lads to Leaders, Louisville

Apr 20&27- annex floors refinished, no foot traffic allowed those 2 days

Jul 22-26- Vacation Bible School

Aug 16-22- Polishing the Pulpit, Sevierville

Sep 13-15- Our Seminar with Eric Lyons- "Is the Bible Reliable?"

Morning Pointe Bible Study

This afternoon at 2pm, everyone is asked to meet at Morning Pointe for singing and Bible Study with Fred and Genevieve Obroff and their group of friends. Please see Jeremiah Smith for additional information.

New Ladies Group This Week

A new 'second Tuesday evening' monthly ladies' Bible Study will begin this Tuesday, the 12th. The Participating Partners group will meet from 5 -6:30pm in the annex large classroom. Please speak with Denise Smith for details.

Elders/Deacons/Preacher Meeting

Next Sunday, the 17th, this group will meet at 4:30pm in the annex large classroom.

Wallace/ Ward Wedding

On Saturday, March 23rd, everyone is invited to the wedding of Madi Wallace & Nelson Ward. Music starts at 5pm.

March Ladies Luncheon

On Friday, the 29th, all ladies are invited to attend a luncheon at Slim Chickens in Ashland (behind Cheddars) at 12:30p.m.

Prime-timers Group

This is an open discussion Bible study group meeting Tuesdays at 10a.m. in the annex large classroom. Mark Day leads the group. Everyone high school age and above is welcome to attend.

Potter Children's Home Donations

It is the annual commodities drive for the Potter Children's Home. They are requesting very specific items: Cheez It crackers, Flavor Ice popsicles, Fruit Loops, Instant oatmeal and kitchen garbage bags. There are small lists on the foyer board. The donation deadline is March 31. Donations can be placed under the sound room hallway coat rack. See J.C. Hughes for details.

Member Information Sheet

Please, if you have not completed one, fill out the new version of the information sheet. Thank you.

Gauging Our Faith

	03/03/19	Goal	03/04/18
Bible Study	99	110	104
AM Worship	131	160	159
PM Worship	64	110	94
Mid Week	77	110	84
Contribution:	\$5558.25	\$6200.00	\$7022.15

☞ Today's Servants ☞

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Mark Parks

SONG LEADER:

AM: Steve Wallace

PM: Dan Stone

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: John Gambill

PM: J.C. Hughes

LORD'S TABLE:

Presiding AM: Daniel Goshorn

Assisting: Jordan Conley,
George Wallace, JC Hughes,
Michael Perry, Jason Fouts,
Jesse Legg, Dan Stone

Presiding PM: Brad Morris

Assisting: Jeremiah Smith

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Ben Poling

PM: Will Scott

☞ Wednesday Servants ☞

WELCOME: Greg Hall

SONG LEADER: Brad Morris

PRAYER: Edgar Phillips

DEVOTIONAL: Mark Parks

☞ Weekly Servants ☞

POWER POINT: Nathan Parks

BLDG. ATTENDANT: Matt Vonderheide

ATTENDANCE: David Castle

COORDINATOR: David Castle

★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★★ Every Sunday ★★

Pew Packers

at 5:45 pm

in front auditorium

geared to age 12 & under,

but everyone can come

-Boys: have a song to lead-

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



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 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.