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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

**WEB PAGE**

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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  
-Rod Goddard  
**WVSOP student**

**SEARCH TV**

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

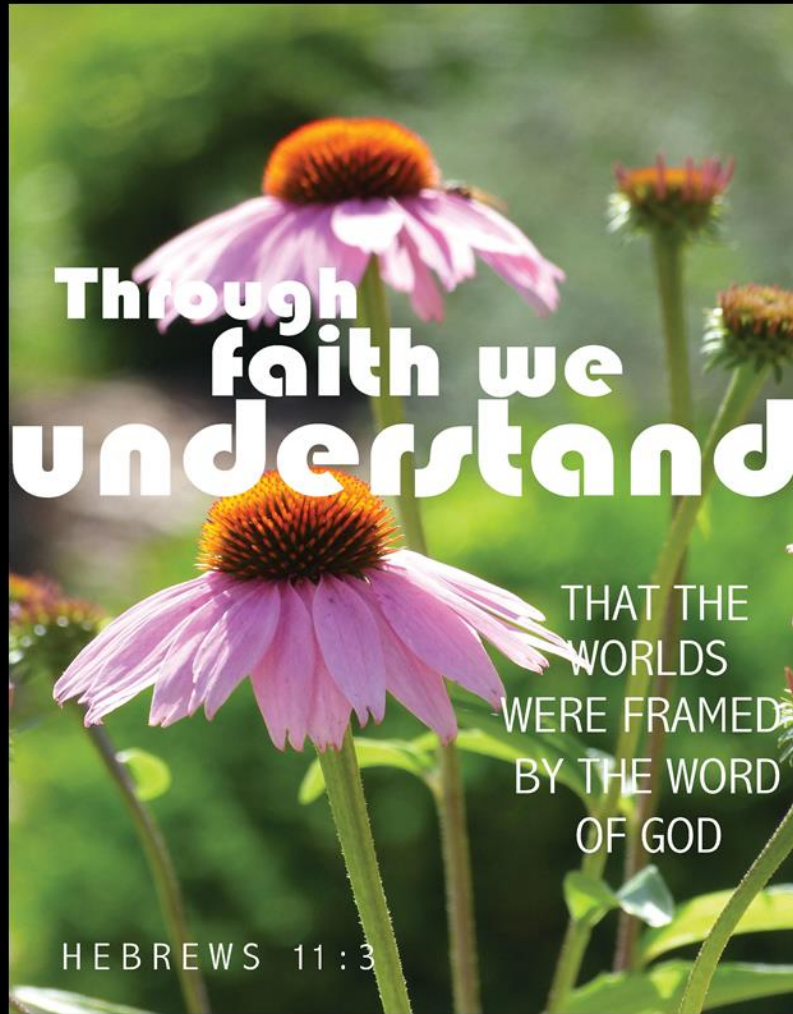
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**We offer FREE: 4 Bible correspondence course series by mail:**  
an 8 lesson series by Hurt, a 6 lesson series "Acts Of The Apostles"  
by Pharr, the "Studies In The Bible" 30 lesson series, and the  
20 lesson series "Getting To Know Jesus" by Pharr. Let everyone know!

## **Influence**

Matthew 5:13-16, "Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

Without question this text suggests the theme of Christian influence. We all have influence on other people regardless of age, position, or status. When it comes to influence, the Bible has much to say in the matter.

### **We Must Recognize That We Influence Others And Are Influenced By Others.**

1 Corinthians 5:6, "Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?"

This statement is found two times in the New Testament. (see also Galatians 5:9) The word leaven is found 11 times in the New Testament and is used to illustrate to us the power of influence. All of us have influence, the question is, is it good or bad? The kind of influence we have on others is based on what we allow to influence ourselves and if we are not careful, some influences may be slowly changing us.

### **Your Companions Will Influence You For Good Or Bad.**

Proverbs 13:20, "He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed." 1 Corinthians 15:33 says, "Be not deceived: Evil companionships corrupt good morals." (ASV)

If we allow the leaven of this world to influence us, our lives will slowly be changed from what God would have them to be, into lives filled with worldliness and sin. It only takes one companion with wicked thoughts and wicked lifestyle to gradually lead you into the same kind of sin.

### **Our Influence Can Cause Another To Be Converted To Christ.**

1 Peter 3:1-2, "Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives; While they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear."

Even if the husband is not a Christian, the woman is to be submissive. Paul, in 1 Corinthians 7, said that a Christian may win their mate to Christ by the way they conduct themselves. Peter approaches the same topic in telling wives to be submissive to their husbands. Even if some don't obey the word (Gospel) preached, they might be converted without a word from their wives by the proper conduct from their wives. No one can become a Christian without obeying the Gospel.

### **Our Influence Will Outlast Us.**

Hebrews 11:4, "By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he had witness borne to him that he was righteous, God bearing witness in respect of his gifts: and through it he being dead yet speaketh."

The first person on this earth that we have record who died was Abel. Yet his influence still lives on. We read of his influence, how his sacrifice, by faith, was offered. And his example of obedient faith still lives on today. Sometimes we don't realize the power of our influence in the lives of others. We need to strive to have an influence of good, rather than bad. Our influence continues to live even after our death. We can all think of people who have had influence in our lives, we remember how they helped us, we remember the examples they set in our lives.

If you are a Christian who hasn't set a good influence, you need to repent. Start today.

-Jerry D. Sturgill

# News & Notes



## Sermons This Week

10:45AM: In Kings' Palaces  
 6:00PM: Faith & Creation  
 Scripture Reading: Hebrews 11:1-3

## Dates to Remember

- Mar 3- Prime-timers- 10a- annex
- Mar 8- Daylight Savings time begins- move clocks forward 1 hour
- Mar 8- Morning Pointe Singing/Bible Study- 2p
- Mar 8-11- No. Lexington church Gospel Meeting with Jerrie Barber (see board for details)
- Mar 10- Prime-timers- 10a- annex
- Mar 14- Ladies Bible Study Workshop- Main St. church of Christ, Hurricane, WV 9am-lunch -see foyer board for details (required items)
- Mar 15- Elders, Deacons, Preachers Meet- 4:30p Annex large classroom
- Mar 17- Prime-timers- 10a- annex
- Mar 20-21- Men's Retreat-Rome/Howell's Mills
- Mar 22- Potter Children's Home Pantry Drive deadline- lists on bulletin board
- Mar 24- Prime-timers- 10a- annex
- Mar 27- Ladies luncheon- 12:30p- tbd
- Mar 29- 5th Sunday- Preachers Answer Your Bible Questions- 6p (submit questions now)
- Mar 31- Prime-timers- 10a- annex
- Apr 4- Gospel Meeting- 26th Street church of Christ, Huntington, with David Price-7p
- Apr 9-12- Lads to Leaders (Louisville, KY)
- Apr 19-22- Gospel Meeting with Greg Dismuke
- Jul 27-31- our VBS- 6:30p-8:30p- M-F
- Sep 13-16- our Gospel Meeting with Roger Rush

## Potter Children's Home Donations

We have been asked for specific donations to stock the Children's Home pantry. They need bottled water, taco seasoning packets, disposable razors, peach pie filling, and canned sliced pears. Items will be picked up the week of March 22. There are small shopping lists on the foyer bulletin board for your convenience. Place the items in the sound room hallway. Thank you.

## Members Pictures

Wendy Berry is taking member photos after each service she can attend. Everyone is asked to have an up to date photo for the board and directory.



## Gauging Our Faith

	02/23/20	Goal	02/24/19
<b>Bible Study</b>	91	110	87
<b>AM Worship</b>	145	160	134
<b>PM Worship</b>	78	110	61
<b>Mid Week</b>	101	110	85
<b>Contribution:</b>	\$5700.75	\$6000.00	\$5465.26

## ☞ Today's Servants ☜

### **WELCOME:**

**AM/PM:** Greg Hall

### **SONG LEADER:**

**AM:** Brad Morris

**PM:** Brandon Foresha

### **FIRST PRAYER:**

**AM:** Greg Conley

**PM:** David Smith

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

**Presiding AM:** Chris Scott

**Assisting:** Daniel Goshorn,  
Mark Parks, Jordan Conley,  
Mark Gullett, Nelson Ward,  
Braydon Snell, Jesse Legg  
\*gluten-free bread

**Presiding PM:** Jordan Conley

**Assisting:** Will Scott

**Assisting Back:** Tanner Adkins

**Assisting Back:** Auston Clarkson

**PM Scripture Reader:** Braydon Snell

### **CLOSING PRAYER:**

**AM:** Edgar Phillips

**PM:** Ranie Wohnhas

## ☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

**WELCOME:** Chris Scott

**SONG LEADER:** Brad Morris

**PRAYER:** Brandon Foresha

**DEVOTIONAL:** Mark Day

## ☞ Weekly Servants ☜

**POWER POINT:** Matt Vonderheide

**BLDG. ATTENDANT:** Mark Parks

**COORDINATOR:** Brad Morris

## ★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★★★ Every Sunday ★★★

### **Pew Packers**

**5:45 pm**

in the front of the  
auditorium geared to age  
12 & under -Boys: have  
a song to lead

★★★ Apr 9 ★★★

**Lads 2 Leaders  
weekend begins  
in Louisville, KY**



## 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.