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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**  
[www.flatwoodschurch-  
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-Dustin Bolks  
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-Michael Mayo  
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-*"In Search of the Lord's  
Way"* TV broadcast  
-Rod Goddard  
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**SEARCH TV**  
Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

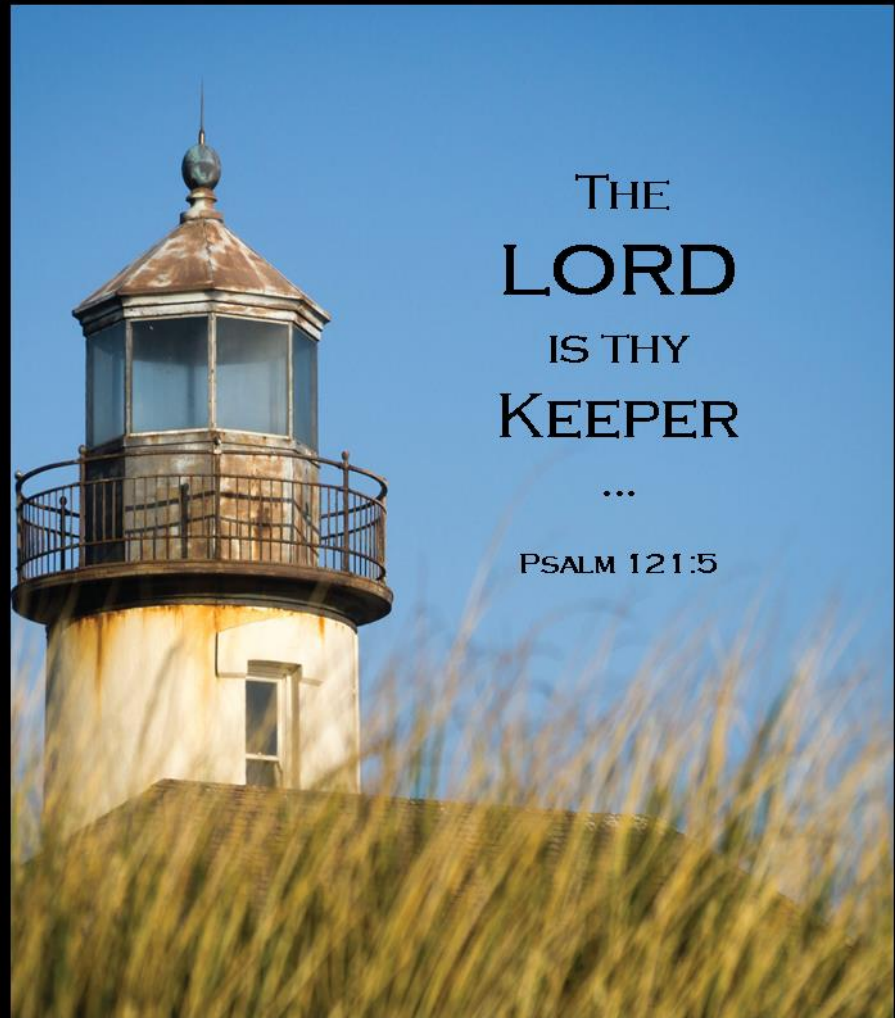
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PSALM 121:5

**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!

## A Question About Homosexuality

The following question was sent to me to be answered during the March 2020, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday evening Question & Answer lesson. Due to the current Coronavirus (COVID-19) situation that began before that time, this question was not answered so I have chosen to answer the question in this month's article. Question: "Homosexuality. Looking through Facebook I read something saying it being a sin may not be true. So, instead of just pulling up my pant legs and jumping in, I decided to look it up. Is this correct? Thank you."

The questioner when asking the question inserted a link to a Wikipedia article they had referenced regarding this topic. One must recognize that there are articles on Wikipedia that are often written by those who are seeking to further their own agenda and are not written objectively. The only true source of what God thinks on a topic is to consult the Bible because that is God's standard. So, we answer the question, "Is Homosexuality Sin?"

In Leviticus 18:22, 24, 26 we read, "Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is **abomination**...Defile not ye yourselves in any of these things: for in all these the nations are **defiled** which I cast out before you...Ye shall therefore keep my statutes and my judgments, and shall not commit any of these **abominations**". Leviticus 20:13 says, "If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an **abomination**: they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them." Also, Sodom and Gomorrah clearly indicates God in the Old Testament did not approve of homosexuality and it was (is) sin.

In the New Testament we read in Romans 1:26-27, "For this cause God gave them up unto **vile passions**: for their women changed the natural use into that which is **against nature**: and likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another, men with men **working unseemliness**, and receiving in themselves that recompense of their error which was due." (ASV) Paul is describing that homosexuality is contrary to the natural order (i.e. against nature) started at the Creation, one man and one woman. See Genesis 1:26.

In 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 Paul told the Corinthian Christians "Know ye not that the **unrighteous** shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither **fornicators** (a broad word for all sexual sin – JDS), nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor **effeminate** (i.e. passive homosexual partner – JDS), nor **abusers of themselves with mankind** (i.e. active homosexual partner – JDS), nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. And **such were some of you**: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God." To not inherit the kingdom of God means to die lost. Notice though, that some of the Corinthians needed to make a change and did so (and **such were some of you**). They were not "born that way" regarding any of the sins listed in Paul's "sample list". When they obeyed the Gospel (i.e. wash, sanctified, justified) their sins were forgiven. See Mark 16:16; Romans 6:3-4; 1 Peter 3:21.

The Lord has spoken, and He is clear that practicing homosexuality is sin, it is a choice. Nonetheless a person can choose to cease the practice of homosexuality (or any sin), obey the Gospel and be forgiven, and by remaining faithful, look forward to heaven someday, 2 Timothy 4:7-8. Turn from sinful lifestyles, turn to the Lord. We are praying for you.

-Jerry D. Sturgill

(An outstanding article on this topic can be found at Apologetics Press – <http://apologeticspress.org>, "An Investigation of the Biblical Evidence Against Homosexuality")

# News & Notes

## Lessons This Week

### Schedule for 'on-line' events:

**Sunday: 9:45– Bible Study with Brandon Foresha**



**10:45 Brandon Foresha- To Whom Do You Turn When You Need Help?**

**Scripture: Psalm 121**

**6:00 Jerry Sturgill- The Simple Gospel**

**Wednesday: 7:00– Jerry Sturgill- Bible study  
Premillennialism: Has The Kingdom Come?**

## Dates to Remember

**Apr 7–** Primetimers *canceled (spring break)*

**Apr 9-12–** Lads to Leaders *canceled*

**Apr 19–** Potluck luncheon– *canceled*

**Apr 19-22–** Gospel Meeting with Greg Dismuke– *postponed*

**May–** Potter Children's Home Donation pickup

**Jul 27-31–** our VBS- 6:30p-8:30p– M-F

**Sep 13-16–** our Gospel Meeting with Roger Rush

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## Pre-packaged Communion Cup/Bread

We now have prepackaged communion juice & bread available. Just call before you come and it will be put in a baggie and brought to your car or you may come into the lobby and pick it up.

## Gauging Our Faith

	03/29/20	Goal	03/31/19
<b>Bible Study</b>	ns	110	91
<b>AM Worship</b>	ns	160	125
<b>PM Worship</b>	ns	110	80
<b>Mid Week</b>	ns	110	nc
<b>Contribution:</b>	\$3956.00	\$6000.00	\$7413.51

## Volunteers To Help

We are asking for names of people who can run errands for food, medicine, or to pay bills for our shut-ins. Call or email the office with your name and a good contact number for you.

## Lawn Maintenance Volunteers

It's that time of year again. We are asking for people to sign up on the foyer board to volunteer or you can call the office to add your name. You will be assigned to a team and a rotation schedule of teams will be posted. Thank you for helping with this invaluable service.

## 'Speaking for the Master' Class

This class will begin when Bible classes resume, during Sunday morning Bible class in the large annex classroom for men & boys to learn to lead in public worship.

Have you contacted  
a shut-in lately?  
Please, check  
on someone  
today.

## ☞ Today's Servants ☜

### WELCOME:

**AM/PM:** *no service*

### SONG LEADER:

**AM:** *no service*

**PM:** *no service*

### FIRST PRAYER:

**AM:** *no service*

**PM:** *no service*

### LORD'S TABLE\*:

**Presiding AM:** *no service*

**Assisting:** *no service*

\*gluten-free bread

**Presiding PM:** *no service*

**Assisting:** *no service*

**Assisting Back:** *no service*

**Assisting Back:** *no service*

**PM Scripture Reader:** *no service*

### CLOSING PRAYER:

**AM:** *no service*

**PM:** *no service*

## ☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

**WELCOME:** *no service*

**SONG LEADER:** *no service*

**PRAYER:** *no service*

**DEVOTIONAL:** *no service*

## ☞ Weekly Servants ☜

**POWER POINT:** *no service*

**BLDG. ATTENDANT:** *no service*

**COORDINATOR:** *no service*

## ★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★★★ For Now ★★★

### Pew Packers

Usually Sundays @ 5:45p

in the front of the  
auditorium geared to age  
12 & under -

**canceled TFN**

★★★ Apr 9 ★★★

**Lads 2 Leaders  
canceled**



What a quote: "The virus doesn't move, people move it. We stop moving, the virus stops moving, the virus dies. It's that simple."

**#StayHome**

It could save lives