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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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-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  
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**Humble  
yourselves  
in the sight of  
the Lord,  
and He shall  
lift you up**



**James 4:10**

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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!

## **Be Discerning in Confronting Error**

In 2 Timothy 2:23-26, Paul urged Timothy to not be quarrelsome:

But avoid foolish and ignorant disputes, knowing that they generate strife. And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient, in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth, and *that* they may come to their senses *and escape* the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to *do* his will.

Now by avoiding foolish disputes, Paul did not mean that Timothy was never to confront error. Timothy remained in Ephesus in order to charge some to teach no other doctrine (1 Tim. 1:3). Timothy would have to correct those who had strayed from the truth and turned aside into idle talk (1 Tim. 1:6). Paul himself called the names of false teachers in both letters to Timothy (1 Tim. 1:20; 2 Tim. 2:17-18). In preaching the word of God, Timothy would have to rebuke (2 Tim. 4:2). Don't get the idea that Timothy was to be a push-over who never stood up to anything. In fact, Paul told him to wage a good warfare (1 Tim. 1:18), fight the good fight of faith (1 Tim. 6:12), and endure hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ (2 Tim. 2:3). There are truths for which we, as Christians, must contend (Jude 3). False teachers will try to secretly lead people astray, away from the truth and into destruction (2 Pet. 2); therefore, we must expose error for souls hang in the balance. But, as Paul warned Timothy, we must not be drawn into foolish disputes that only produce more strife. Some people just want to argue about useless issues. As Christians, we should be characterized by humility and patience while at the same time firm in our convictions, resolved to confront error when needed.

The perfect example of this balance is found in Jesus Christ. The earthly ministry of our Lord provides tremendous examples of the varied ways in which He dealt with people. He voiced scathing condemnations of the religious leaders (Matt. 23), yet gently corrected Martha (Lk. 10:41). Children were able to come to Him and He took them up in His arms (Mk. 10:13-16), but the soldiers who came to arrest Him fell back in fear of Him (Jn. 18:6). He was gentle in His conversation with the Samaritan woman, yet He did not allow her to avoid accountability for her promiscuous life (Jn. 4:16-18). She later admitted that He was, "a Man who told me all things that I ever did" (Jn. 4:29).

While none of us will ever measure up to the perfection of Christ, we can endeavor to be more like Him in having a deeper awareness of the specific spiritual needs of the individuals around us. As servants of the Lord, let us not avoid confrontation, but in meekness instruct those who are in error in order that perhaps they may recognize the truth, repent and be saved.

-Mark Day

# News & Notes



## **Sermons Today**

**10:45AM:** Daniel's Example in Persecution  
**6:00PM:** The Illusion of Control  
**Scripture Reading:** James 4:13-17

## **Condolences**

Deepest sympathy to Rebecca Castle and her family at the loss of her sister, Rosalie Wheeler, on October 3rd. Please, keep this family in your prayers.

## **Lads To Leaders Awards**

All award winners: please, bring your trophies and awards to display during the recognition next Sunday. Thank you.

## **Dates to Remember**

- Oct 17**– North Lex. Ladies Inspiration Day  
10am- luncheon– speaker: Renita Archey  
(details on the foyer board)
- Oct 18**– Lads to Leaders award recognition  
following morning worship service
- Oct 18**– elders/deacons/preachers meet– 4:30p
- Oct 22**– Little School orientation– 7p
- Oct 24**– Youth: Building Clean-up & Drive-in  
Movie Night– 4p- details in youth notes
- Oct 30**– tentative first day of Little School  
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*Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.*

James 4:8

## **Gauging Our Faith**

	10/04/20	Goal	10/06/19
<b>Bible Study</b>	60	110	88
<b>AM Worship</b>	99	160	131
<b>PM Worship</b>	60	110	nc
<b>Mid Week</b>	58	110	83
<b>Contribution:</b>	\$4935.00	\$6000.00	\$5581.42

## **Fall Bible Class Information**

The Bible class arrangements for October-December are as follows: We will continue to have a 4th grade and under class that will meet in the downstairs Little School auditorium for both Sunday AM and Wednesday PM classes. We will also have a 5th-12th grade class that will meet in the large annex classroom for both Sunday AM and Wednesday PM classes. And all adults will still meet in the auditorium for Bible class.

## **Notes From The Elders**

Social distancing and wearing of masks will continue to be observed.

## **Lawn Maintenance**

The lawn team assigned to complete their task by Oct 17 is  
**Steve Wallace, Chris & Gabe Scott, Linda Carter, Ernie Perry & Braydon Snell**



## ☞ Today's Servants ☞

### **WELCOME:**

**AM/PM:** Nathan Adkins

### **SONG LEADER:**

**AM:** Steve Wallace

**PM:** Brad Morris

### **FIRST PRAYER:**

**AM:** Daniel Goshorn

**PM:** J.C. Hughes

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

**Presiding AM:** Greg Conley  
\*gluten-free bread

**Presiding PM:** Brandon Foresha

### **CLOSING PRAYER:**

**AM:** David Smith

**PM:** Steve Wallace

## ☞ Wednesday Servants ☞

**WELCOME:** Greg Conley

**SONG LEADER:** Mark Day

**PRAYER:** Jerry Sturgill

**DEVOTION:** Chris Scott

## ☞ Weekly Servants ☞

**POWER POINT:** Jackson Morris

**BLDG. ATTENDANT:** David Smith

**COORDINATOR:** Steve Wallace

**ATTENDANCE:** John Gambill

## \*\*\* Youth Notes \*\*\*

\*\*\* Saturday, Oct 24 \*\*\*

### **Building Clean-up & Drive-in Movie**

Cleanup starting at **4pm** &  
"The Secret Life of Pets 2"  
movie around **7pm**

(Depends on when the sun goes down)

-clean up around the building, do a few projects, and anything that may need to be done. Everyone will wear masks & socially distance as we do for worship.

**All are welcomed to attend!**



*Therefore  
to him that  
knoweth  
to do good,  
and doeth it not,  
to him  
it is sin.*

*James 4:17*