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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
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-Dahn Ramkelawan
Suriname, So. America
-Michael Mayo
Thailand, SE Asia
-*"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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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!

Sick Almost Unto Death

“Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others” (Philippians 2:4). Paul pointed out the selflessness that is to characterize followers of Christ. Christ is the ultimate example of humble, sacrificial service to others (Philippians 2:11). Paul’s one aim was to follow Christ. For him to live was Christ and to die was gain (Philippians 1:21); he was willing to be poured out as a drink offering, as a sacrifice to serve others such as his brothers in Christ at Philippi (Philippians 2:17). Paul wrote the letter to the Philippians from prison and was willing to die if need be in service for Christ. Ultimately, death is a gain to the Christian.

In this context, Paul commended some of his brothers who were fellow laborers to the Philippians. Timothy would naturally care for their state, unlike most who are self-seeking (Philippians 2:19-21). Epaphroditus served Paul’s needs during the imprisonment. Epaphroditus lived in service to others to the point that he was sick and came close to death for the work of Christ (Philippians 2:30). In imitation of Christ, he did not regard his own life in order to serve others. When Epaphroditus was sick near to death, he was distressed not with selfish thoughts but out of concern for the Philippians because they had heard he was sick (Philippians 2:26-27). What an example!

Sickness is not the result of a lack of faith, (as health and wealth preachers advocate); instead, many faithful folks have had serious illnesses. Jesus did not say the sick need more faith; the Lord said the sick need a doctor (Luke 5:31). Paul, as an apostle endowed with the miraculous power of God, could heal the sick (Acts 14:8-10; 28:7-9), yet not all of his fellow soldiers in the good fight of faith were without illness (1 Tim. 5:23; 2 Tim. 4:20). Even Paul himself had to suffer with a thorn in the flesh (2 Cor. 12:7-10). God did not see fit to safeguard Epaphroditus from sickness, but He did have mercy to save him from death. This man is commended for serving others without regard to his own life.

We should not be foolish about our health, but wise in how we conduct our lives; being good stewards of our health is part of redeeming the short time we have on this earth (Ephesians 5:15-16). Physical health is crucial to our ability to serve others, but it is not the ultimate end in itself. Bodily exercise does profit in this life, but only a little when contrasted with the benefits of godliness for here and hereafter (1 Timothy 4:8). Paul puts Epaphroditus—his brother, fellow laborer, and fellow soldier—forth as a great example because his service to others in the work of Christ took priority over his own health interests. We pray regularly for the health of our brothers and sisters, and so we should, but we must also remember to pray as John did for Gaius. In 3 John 2, he wrote: “Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers.” If your physical health was on par with your soul’s health, would you be better off, like Gaius, or worse? Let us keep the mind of Christ and the great examples of Philippians 2 in mind as we attempt to maintain the perspective God desires us to have in regard to health.

-Mark Day

News & Notes



Sermons Today

10:45AM: Brandon Foresha- The Sufferings and Crucifixion of Jesus
 6:00PM: Tanner Adkins and Jackson Morris

PM Scripture Reading: Noah Day

Member Information Changes

Daniel and Brenda Stone have moved to 3312 Forestdale Ct., Flatwoods, KY 41139. Their new email is: stone6564@gmail.com (phones are unchanged).

Edgar Phillips' new cell# is 606-923-0104 and Dottie's is now 606-923-0103.

Please, note this in your member directory.

Notes From The Elders

The Eldership wants to reemphasize our mask wearing and our precautions of social distancing. Greenup County is now listed as being in the red zone on the KY COVID-19 incident rate map. These precautions may help protect all of us, especially our older and more susceptible members.

Dates to Remember

Dec 20- elders/deacons/preachers meet- 4:30p

Dec 30- Singing night- 7p



7 Precautions While Here

1. Please, in the parking lot, make every attempt to maintain a safe social distance as you quickly enter or exit the main entry.
2. Wear a facial covering, or mask, that covers both your mouth and nose at all practical times. If you do not have a mask, one will be made available to you as you enter the main foyer.
3. On Sunday, please pick up communion supplies in the foyer before service for you and your family. A collection box is located in the main foyer for your contributions.
4. Please move through the foyer quickly to avoid crowding in the foyer. Please, remember to social distance (six feet) and no handshaking or hugging ... for now. And the drinking fountain is off limits for now.
5. The auditorium has every other row of pews closed off to allow appropriate spacing of households. Remember to maintain six feet spacing in the pew between households.
6. Restroom access will be allowed for only one person at a time; parent and child exceptions are allowed. Upon exiting the restroom, you are asked to please disinfect the areas of the restroom you have utilized. Sanitizing sprays are available in the restrooms. Any child under age 12 should be accompanied by an adult to ensure proper disinfecting.
7. Hand sanitizers are available in the foyer, as well as tissues and proper waste disposal containers.

Gauging Our Faith

	<u>11/22/20</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>11/24/19</u>
Bible Study	35	110	94
AM Worship	56	160	154
PM Worship	37	110	82
Mid Week	26	110	78
Contribution:	\$4250.00	\$6000.00	\$5729.42

☞ Today's Servants ☜

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Mark Parks

SONG LEADER:

AM: Steve Wallace

PM: Mason Morris/Jesse Legg

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Chris Scott

PM: Jesse Legg

LORD'S TABLE*:

Presiding AM: Jerry Sturgill

Presiding PM: Brandon Foresha

*gluten-free bread

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: David Smith

PM: Gabe Scott

☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

WELCOME: Chris Scott

SONG LEADER: Brad Morris

PRAYER: Brandon Foresha

DEVOTION: Mark Day

☞ Weekly Servants ☜

POWER POINT: Jackson Morris

BLDG. ATTENDANT: Nathan Parks

COORDINATOR: Daniel Goshorn

ATTENDANCE: John Gambill

*** Youth Notes ***

★ Lads to Leaders ★

2021 Convention information is on the foyer board.

**Speak with
Mark Day or
Brad Morris.**

