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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**

-Jerry Sturgill  
**Tri-state area**  
-Dustin Bolks  
**Sioux Center, Ia.**  
-Dahn Ramkelawan  
**Suriname, SA**  
-Michael Mayo  
**Thailand, SE Asia**  
-Herman Joseph  
**Guyana, SA**  
-Mohamed Ally  
**Guyana, SA**  
-*"In Search of the Lord's  
Way"* TV broadcast

**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!

## The Joy of Adoption

In 2009 I visited an orphanage in Peru. While there I was given the opportunity to meet a few of the children being cared for, and among the children we met were two boys named Alex, age 11, and Charlie, age 13. Both boys had mental disabilities and had lived at the orphanage for most of their lives. The director of the orphanage told us a bit about the boys' history. We were told Alex was brought to the orphanage after being thrown into a trash can as an infant. He was discovered in the trash by a passerby, and when they found him there were rats biting his flesh. He was nursed back to health and lives at the orphanage to this day.

Charlie was also discarded as an infant, but they did not find Charlie until three or four years later. You see, there are countless street dogs that rove the city, and Charlie was discovered as a toddler living among the dogs. He barked, crawled on all fours, and ate garbage to survive. Charlie was raised by these dogs, and the reason he was discovered was because he was biting people on the street as if he were a dog himself. There was a similar story out of Russia regarding a girl who was raised by a pack of wild dogs until the age of 5.

We all know that this world can be a cruel place. This world can be heartless, unloving, and vile. Satan, as ruler of this world (Jn 12:31; 14:30; 16:11), the evil one (1 Jn 5:19) is a murderer and a liar (Jn 8:44) who prowls about looking for someone to devour (1 Peter 5:8). There are times when we see evil things happen in this world, when we see children abused and discarded as refuse and we think, "Is there any hope?" The answer to that question is a resounding *yes*. There is hope, there is joy, and there is love to be found.

You see, Satan wants to steal, kill, and destroy, but the good shepherd has come so that we might have life more abundant (Jn 10:10). There are times when we all feel unwanted and unloved as if we are just garbage to be disposed of. But joy may be found in the assurance of our adoption as children of the Most High. As Romans 8:15-19, 24-25 says, "<sup>15</sup>For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, 'Abba, Father.' <sup>16</sup>The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with *Him*, that we may also be glorified together. <sup>18</sup>For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy *to be compared* with the glory which shall be revealed in us. <sup>19</sup>For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God... <sup>24</sup>For we were saved in this hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for why does one still hope for what he sees? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for *it* with perseverance."

So we, as adopted children of God, can take great joy and comfort in the knowledge that although the world might treat us as garbage to be discarded, we can take comfort in our heavenly Father.

-Daniel Goshorn

# News & Notes



## Sermons Today

**10:45AM:** Daniel Goshorn– Strength In Weakness

**6:00PM:** Daniel Goshorn– What Does It Mean To Be Blessed?

## Congratulations

Curtis and Gail Tritapoe are grandparents of Titus Nash Tritapoe, born to Russell & Teal Tritapoe Jan. 28. Titus weighed 7lbs 10oz., and is 21.5 inches long. The family is doing well.

## Dates to Remember:

**Feb 20-** elders/deacons/preachers meet– 4:30p

**Feb 25-27**– CYC in Pigeon Forge, TN

**Apr 2**– Saturday seminar with Greg Tidwell:  
*10 Trends Facing Churches of Christ*– 12p-3p

**Apr 3-6-** Gospel Meeting with Greg Tidwell:  
*Faithful Living in a Faithless Age*

**Apr 4-6**– Bible classes with Greg Tidwell:  
*Decisions Regarding End of Life Matters*-10a

**Apr 10**– Lads to Leaders meeting– annex 12p

**Apr 14-17**– Lads To Leaders convention

**Jul 25-29**– Vacation Bible School

**Sep 11-14**– Gospel Meeting with Josh Allen

*Mark 12:30- AND YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, WITH ALL YOUR MIND, AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH.'*

This is the first commandment.

*Mark 12:31- And the second, like it, is this: 'YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.'* There is no other commandment greater than these."

## Attendance & Contribution Goals

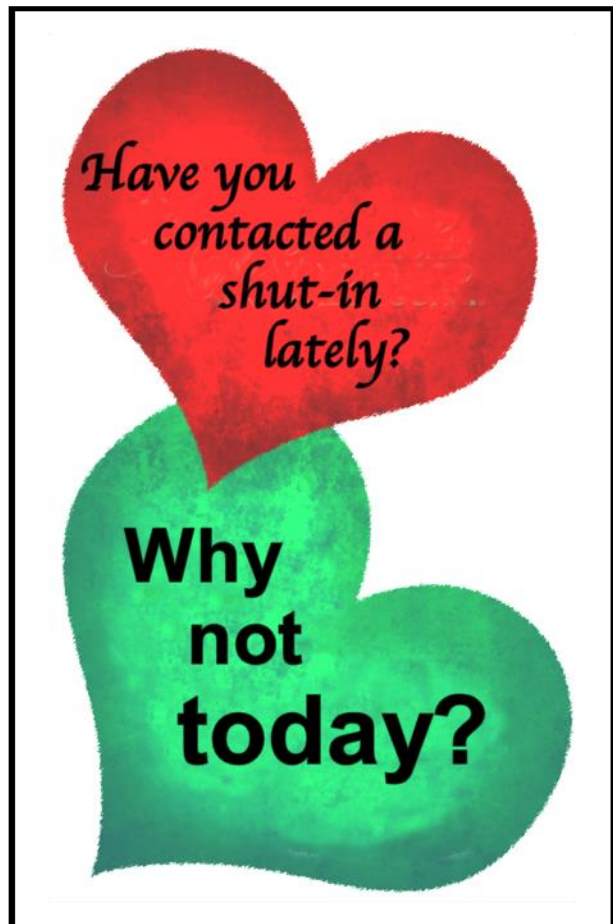
	01/30/22	Goal	01/31/20
<b>Bible Study</b>	58	90	54
<b>AM Worship</b>	85	130	82
<b>PM Worship</b>	67	90	60
<b>Mid Week</b>	53	90	47
<b>Contribution:</b>	\$4300.00	\$6000.00	\$4397.00

## Condolences

Our brother Fred Obroff passed away January 30. His funeral was Wednesday, February 2, conducted by Todd Parsley with burial in the VA Memorial Cemetery in Boyd County. Sister Genevieve, Fred's widow, is a resident at Kings Daughters & Sons Care facility. Please, send any correspondence to her at Greg Hall's address. Thank you.

## Updating Member Directories

New address directories will be printed for distribution soon. If you have any change in contact information, please, write it with your name and place it on the secretary's desk before Feb. 14th. Picture directories will come next.



## ☞ Today's Servants ☜

### WELCOME:

**AM/PM:** Mark Parks

### SONG LEADER:

**AM:** Jeremiah Smith

**PM:** Ranie Wohnhas

### FIRST PRAYER:

**AM:** Daniel Goshorn

**PM:** Steve Wallace

### LORD'S TABLE\*:

**Presiding AM:** Chris Scott

**Assisting:** John Gambill,  
Nathan Parks, Chris Legg

**Presiding PM:** Greg Conley

\*gluten-free bread

### SCRIPTURE READING:

**PM:** Mason Morris

### CLOSING PRAYER:

**AM:** Tanner Adkins

**PM:** Jackson Morris

## ☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

**WELCOME:** Chris Scott

**SONG LEADER:** Jeremiah Smith

**PRAYER:** JC Hughes

**DEVOTION:** Nathan Parks

## ☞ Weekly Servants ☜

**POWER POINT:** Braydon Snell

**LIVE STREAM:** Luke Wallace

**BLDG. ATT.:** Greg Hall

**COORDINATOR:** Brad Morris

**ATTENDANCE:** John Gambill

## ★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★★★ Sundays ★★★

### Pew Packers

5:45pm

in the front of the  
auditorium- geared to age 12  
& under, but everyone  
is welcome to attend

★★★ Feb 25-27 ★★★

CYC- Pigeon Forge, TN

★★★ Apr 14-17 ★★★

Lads to Leaders Convention-  
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  
will find on the back of the pew. You  
may put it in the collection box or give  
it to one of the men at the auditorium  
doors as you exit.

We have tract racks on the wall in  
the foyer with free tracts and literature.  
We also have Bible correspondence  
courses you can sign up to 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.

*We hope to see you often.*