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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 -Daniel Goshom Peru, SA -Dustin Bolks Sioux Center, Ia. -Dahn Ramkelawan Suriname, SA -Michael Mayo Thailand, SE Asia -Herman Joseph Guyana, SA - Mohamed Ally Guyana, SA -D.J. Hatfield WVSOP support -"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!

Time Management

As another year passes, we should think about how we are using our time. We need to redeem the time (Eph. 5:16; Col. 4:5). Redeem means "buying up" or "buying out." Every opportunity must be snapped up as if we have found a bargain. We should make the best of our opportunities while supplies last. Life appears for a little while, then vanishes away (James 4:14).

David prayed, "LORD, make me to know my end, and what *is* the measure of my days, *that* I may know how frail I *am*. Indeed, You have made my days *as* handbreadths, and my age *is* as nothing before You; Certainly every man at his best state *is* but vapor" (Psa. 39:4, 5). Think of how much David accomplished in his life—from his youth as a lowly shepherd boy to his ascension as the great king of Israel. His name is one of the most mentioned in the Bible. His accomplishments are retold today, thousands of years later. However, he was mortal and frail. At his best, he was only vapor. His son, Solomon, commented on the meaninglessness of accomplishing great works and accumulating wealth that will only be left to someone else (Ecc. 2:17-23). No matter how great some people look or how much they seem to have it all together, everyone is fragile. Each person's life on this earth has an expiration date.

In desiring that the life God had given him would be meaningful, Moses prayed, "establish the work of our hands for us" (Psalm 90:17). In Psalm 90, Moses is speaking on behalf of the Israelite community. God's is beyond time. He is from everlasting to everlasting (Psa. 90:2). In light of God's immorality, Moses reflected on man's mortality and the fragility of life (Psa. 90:3-6). Moses and Israel faced various trials throughout their earthly lives. Israel brought some of the suffering on themselves through their disobedience. His desire was to not waste time in sin that brings on the wrath of God, but rather to please Him who is eternal, to whom we must give an account. God's people in all subsequent ages can identify with the request of Psalm 90:10-12: "The days of our lives *are* seventy years; and if by reason of strength *they are* eighty years, yet their boast *is* only labor and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away. Who knows the power of Your anger? For as the fear of You, *so is* Your wrath. So teach *us* to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom."

Numbering our days means evaluating how we spend our time. We will be judged by how we use what God has given us (Matt. 25:14-30). If we are too busy with other pursuits to spend time pleasing God, then we must reconsider and repent. Do you take time for God's word at the time of day when you are at your best mentally to take it in? When you spend time with family, are you distracted? Are you present with them so that you can be the kind of family member God wants you to be? When you attend church services, is your heart into what you are doing? Or is your mind somewhere else? Make the most of the little time you have left.

-Mark Day

News & Notes

Scripture Reading:

Mason Morris- Romans 8:1-4

- **1-** There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.
- 2- For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.
- **3-** For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh,
- **4-** that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

Devotional Book

Mark Day is planning on assembling a devotional book to be distributed with an included Bible-reading plan for 2024. We need as many members as possible to write a devotional (or a few devotionals) of 300-500 words in length. These are to be on biblical topics that help encourage us in our Christian walk. Feel free to use personal experiences that help illustrate the lessons you are relating from God's word. This will be a way to get to know one another better and build one another up as members of God's family here at Flatwoods. Please send these to Mark Day in a digital format (preferably in Word) by April 2, 2023. Thank you.

	12/18/22	Goal	12/19/21
Bible Study	61	90	70
AM Worship	96	130	112
PM Worship	62	90	65
Mid Week	69	90	79
Contribution:	\$4659.50	\$6000.00	\$7595.00

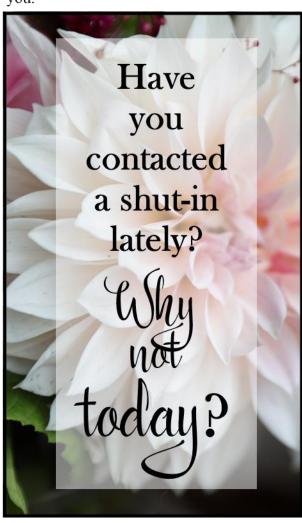
Dates to Remember:

<u>Dec 28</u>— Lads 2 Leaders registration due—see Mark Day or Brad Morris

Jan 15—elders/deacons/preacher meet-4:30p

2023 Bible Reading Calendars

Please, distribute the remainder of these calendars to your family, friends and during outings or doctors appointments. We have several calendars that still need homes. Thank you.



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WELCOME:

AM/PM: Chris Scott

SONG LEADER:

AM: Nathan Adkins PM: Jeremiah Smith

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: JC Hughes
PM: JC Hughes
LORD'S TABLE*:

Presiding AM: Mark Parks **Assisting:** Jacob Brown,

Nathan Parks, Jordan Conley, Blake Hern, Ernie Perry,

Matt Vonderheide, Mason Morris

Presiding PM: Greg Hall
Assisting: Gabe Scott
*gluten-free bread

SCRIPTURE READING:

PM: Mason Morris

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Greg Conley PM: Braydon Snell

™Wednesday Servants € 3

WELCOME: Greg Conley **SONG LEADER:** Mark Day **PRAYER:** JC Hughes **DEVOTION:** Brad Morris

Weekly Servants CS

LIVE STREAM: Jackson Morris POWER POINT: Tanner Adkins BLDG. ATT.: Nathan Adkins COORDINATOR: Nathan Parks ATTENDANCE: John Gambill

*** Youth Notes ***

*★*Sundays*** Pew Packers

5:45pm

in front of the auditorium-

geared to 12 & under but everyone is welcome

Dec 28

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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.