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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 Guvana, SA - Mohamed Ally Guyana, SA -D.J. Hatfield WVSOP support -"In Search of the Lord's Way" TV broadcast

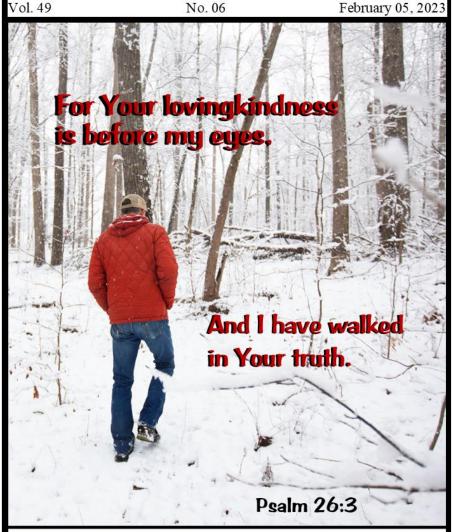
SEARCH TV

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!

Perspectives on Wisdom

Life presents us with many obstacles. We need wisdom to handle these problems. Books such as Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Job are part of the wisdom literature of the Bible. These books are filled with timeless wisdom that can be applied to modern life. They provide guidance and advice on how to live a meaningful and fulfilling life in a variety of situations. These books differ in their approach to the skill of living wisely.

Proverbs, for example, is filled with practical advice on how to live a life of integrity and wisdom. With short sayings and metaphorical comparisons, it encourages readers to be honest, to be humble, and to be wise in their decisions. The setting of instruction in Proverbs is often the home, with the father and mother imparting this precious wisdom to their children (Prov. 1:8; 10:1; 15:20; 20:20; 23:22, 25; 30:11, 17; 31:1).

Ecclesiastes, on the other hand, is a book containing reflections of the "Preacher" as he considered the question of the ultimate meaning of life. While the majority of the book regards the vanity of earthly life "under the sun," it also encourages readers to find joy and contentment in life while preparing for the final judgment (Ecc. 12:14). The certainty of death ends earthly satisfaction (Ecc. 9:2-6), but one can enjoy God's gifts and fear Him by keeping His commandments (Ecc. 9:9; 12:13). Young people should remember their Creator while they still have the majority of their lives before them (Ecc. 12:1).

Finally, Job is a book that encourages readers to remain faithful to God, even in the midst of suffering and difficulty. People often turn to the book of Job thinking that the book will explain why they or their loved ones are suffering. But Job is never told why he suffers. With these misguided expectations, it is no wonder that many find the book unsatisfying. The book of Job is more about how God alone is wise. Each person who speaks in the book tries to diagnose the cause for Job's suffering and provide the corresponding antidote, but none of them really have the right answer. The lesson is that faithful sufferers learn to trust in God without having the answer for their suffering. This is reflected in Job's statement, "Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him" (Job 13:15).

These books are part of the larger book—the Bible. With all its various parts, God's word presents us with the problem of man's sin and the need for God's salvation in Jesus Christ. Jesus grew in wisdom and displayed great understanding (Lk. 2:40, 47; Mk. 6:2). Jesus lived the ultimate life of integrity. Jesus had wisdom greater than that of Solomon (Lk. 11:31). In Jesus is the wisdom of God hidden from all of the sages that came before Him (1 Cor. 1:24, 30; Col. 2:3). He is the ultimate innocent sufferer who trusted in God even as He was slain for our sins (Lk. 23:46). Wisdom is fully realized in Jesus. By following Him, we can live meaningful lives here on earth and be prepared for the final judgment.

-Mark Day

News & Notes



Sermons Today:

10:45AM: James and the Beatitudes 6:00PM: Parks Thailand Mission Trip Review

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.

Ladies Book Study Group

The Second Tuesday Book Study group at Ceredo has been discontinued, so Alissa Day is continuing the group in the annex large classroom at 6:30pm on (Feb. only) Feb. 7th. The book is 'Special Delivery' by Jane McWhorter. The group is open to all ladies who wish to attend. You may bring snacks if you want. After February, the meeting will resume on the second Tuesday of the month. You can sign up in the office to have a book ordered for you for \$16.00.

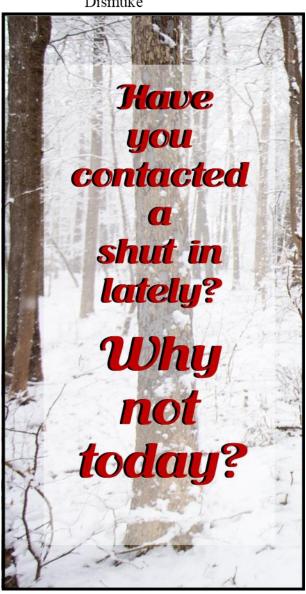
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Bible Study	nc	90	58
AM Worship	106	130	85
PM Worship	71	90	67
Mid Week	56	90	53
Contribution:	\$6373.01	\$6000.00	\$4125.00

Dates To Remember

Feb 7 ladies book study-6:30p annex large classroom Alissa Day to lead

<u>Feb 19</u>- elders/deacons/preacher meet 4:30p <u>Feb 24-26</u>- CYC, Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, see Mark Day for details

Apr 23-26 – Gospel Meeting with Greg Dismuke



∞ Today's Servants &

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Greg Conley

SONG LEADER:

AM: Brad Morris PM: Ranie Wohnhas

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Mark Parks
PM: Nathan Adkins
LORD'S TABLE*:

Presiding AM: Chris Scott
Assisting: Nathan Parks,

Jacob Brown, Jackson Morris, Blake Hern, Luke Wallace, Braydon Snell, Ernie Perry

Presiding PM: Mark Parks
Assisting: Gabe Scott
*gluten-free bread

SCRIPTURE READING:

PM: Tanner Adkins

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Tanner Adkins PM: Mason Morris

™Wednesday Servants €

WELCOME: Chris Scott

SONG LEADER: Jeremiah Smith

PRAYER: Mark Parks **DEVOTION:** Greg Conley

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LIVE STREAM: Jackson Morris
POWER POINT: Mason Morris
BLDG. ATT.: J.C. Hughes
COORDINATOR: J.C. Hughes
ATTENDANCE: John Gambill

*** Youth Notes ***

Sundays

Pew Packers
5:45pm
in front of the
auditorium-

geared to 12 & under but everyone is welcome

Feb 24-26
CYC

in Pigeon Forge, TN



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.