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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
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-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
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-*"In Search of the Lord's
Way"* TV broadcast

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Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

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Children, obey your parents

IN ALL THINGS,

for this is well pleasing to the Lord.

Colossians 3:20, NKJV

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!

God's Command: Honor Your Parents

Jesus reserved His most severe reprimands for the scribes and Pharisees, who were ostensibly pious but in actuality promoted man-made tradition over the vital commands of God's word. A prime example of this is His censure of their tradition of Corban—declaring one's possessions as divine property—whereby they would attempt to exploit a loophole to avoid providing for their aging parents only to later find a way to redeem their possessions. Jesus explained, "For God commanded, saying, '*Honor your father and your mother*'; and, '*He who curses father or mother, let him be put to death.*' But you say, 'Whoever says to his father or mother, '*Whatever profit you might have received from me is a gift to God*'—then he need not honor his father or mother.' Thus you have made the commandment of God of no effect by your tradition" (Matthew 15:4-6). The command to honor one's parents is explicit in the law of Moses (Exodus 20:12; Deuteronomy 5:16). It is also repeated in the New Testament of Jesus Christ: "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. '*Honor your father and mother,*' which is the first commandment with promise, '*that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth*'" (Ephesians 6:1-3).

Honor includes financial support for an aging parent. This is evident from 1 Timothy 5, where the word *honor* includes not only respect, but also support. While the church is to honor widows indeed (those who are bereft of all family), the responsibility falls on the family first to provide for a widow in accordance with God's principle of honoring your father and mother. Paul explains, "But if any widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn to show piety at home and to repay their parents; for this is good and acceptable before God" (1 Timothy 5:4). A grown child is repaying their parents by caring for them in their old age because their parents cared for them when they were young.

The death penalty was prescribed by the law of Moses for those who cursed their parents (Exodus 21:17; Leviticus 20:9). Jesus quotes these passages in His rebuke of the scribes and Pharisees. Additionally, Proverbs 23:22 instructs, "Listen to your father who begot you, And do not despise your mother when she is old." The final years of life with the decline of health are called "evil days" in Ecclesiastes 12:1. They are evil not in an ethical sense, but in the sense of suffering, injury, and pain.

To appear holy before those who don't know us well is one thing; to obey the commands of God when it is difficult and only our family sees it is another thing. How we regard our parents reveals a lot about our attitude toward God (cf. Romans 1:30; 1 Timothy 1:9; 2 Timothy 3:2). Is it any wonder that contempt for parents and disregard for God's word go hand in hand? -Mark Day

News & Notes

PM Scripture Reading:

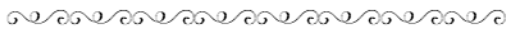
John 1:11-14

11- He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him.

12- But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:

13- who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

14- And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.



Dates To Remember

May 18– Ladies Book Study – on-line only– 6:30p

May 21– Elders, Deacons & Preacher Meeting -annex lg. classroom- 4:30p

May 26– Ladies Luncheon– Longhorn Steak House 11:30a

Jun 11– Graduate Honor Night– annex auditorium- 7p

Jul 22– VBS– 9:30a– 2:30p (one-day only)

Sep 15-17– Evangelism seminar with Allen Webster

Oct 13-15– Gospel Meeting with Michael Mayo

Attendance & Contribution Goals

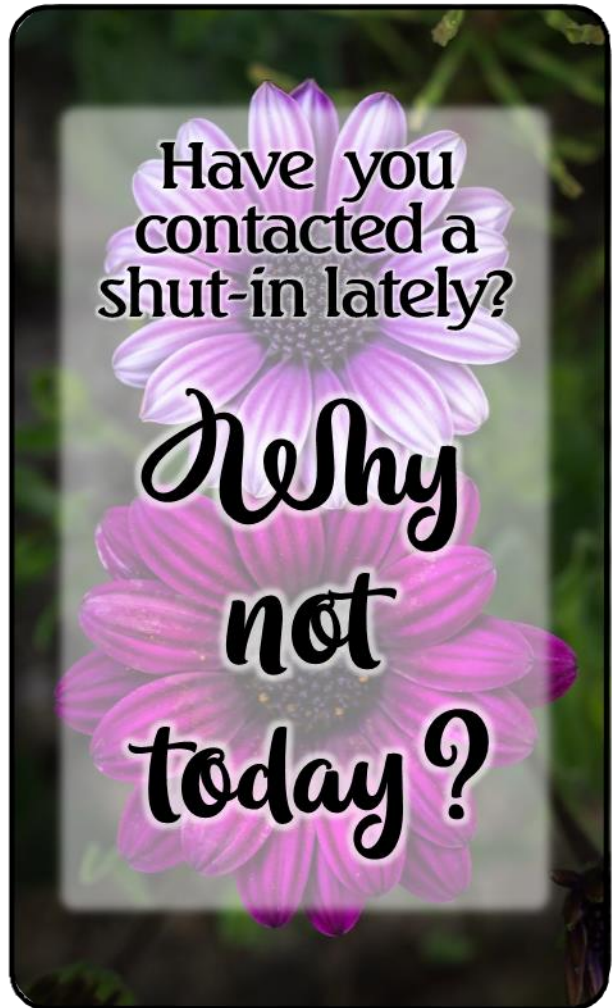
	<u>05/07/23</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>05/08/22</u>
Bible Study	79	90	98
AM Worship	119	130	137
PM Worship	64	90	95
Mid Week	61	90	84
Contribution:	\$7630.62	\$6000.00	\$6958.00

Graduate Honor Night

Graduate Honor Night will be June 11th following evening worship service. If you have (or are) a graduate this year, please give that information to Nathan or Serpell Adkins as soon as possible for planning purposes.

Elders & Deacons Meeting

Next Sunday, the 21st, the elders and deacons will meet in the annex large classroom at 4:30pm.



☞ Today's Servants ☜

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Mark Parks

SONG LEADER:

AM: Nathan Adkins

PM: Brad Morris

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Jordan Conley

PM: George Wallace

LORD'S TABLE*:

Presiding AM: Jeremiah Smith

Assisting: Chris Legg,
JC Hughes, Jesse Legg,
Blake Hern, Jacob Martin,
Tanner Adkins, Matt Vonderheide

Presiding PM: Ranie Wohnhas

Assisting: Jessie Legg
*gluten-free bread

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: David Morckel

PM: John Gambill

SCRIPTURE READING:

PM: Gabe Scott

☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

WELCOME: Chris Scott

SONG LEADER: Jeremiah Smith

PRAYER: George Wallace

DEVOTION: Nathan Parks

☞ Weekly Servants ☜

LIVE STREAM: Luke Wallace

POWER POINT: Jackson Morris

BLDG. ATT.: Nathan Adkins

COORDINATOR: Brad Morris

ATTENDANCE: John Gambill

***** Youth Notes *****

**** Sundays ****

Pew Packers 5:45pm

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

Registration is open for church
camp. Codes are available on
the foyer board and in the
office for the church to pay
for your camper & one friend.



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.