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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
-Daniel Goshom
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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
WVSOP support
-*"In Search of the Lord's
Way"* TV broadcast

SEARCH TV

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

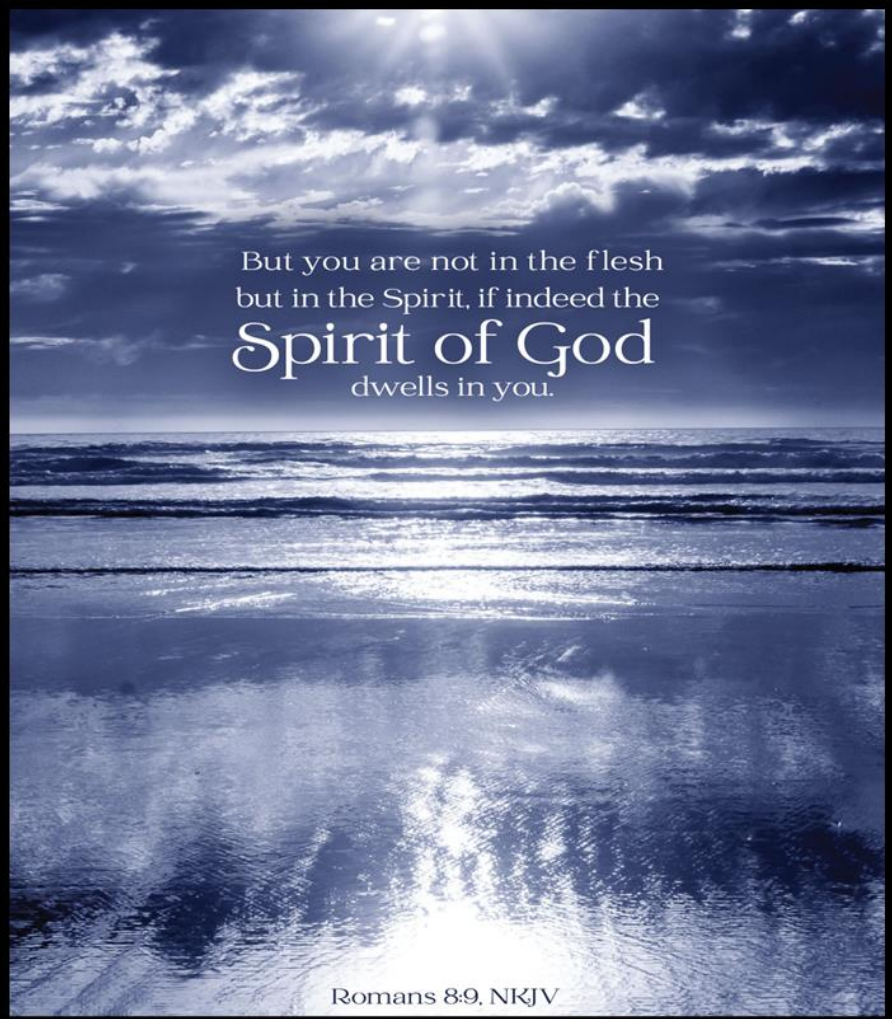
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But you are not in the flesh
but in the Spirit, if indeed the
Spirit of God
dwells in you.

Romans 8:9, 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!

A New Man

Paul's influence for Christ is unequaled among first-century followers of Jesus (1 Cor. 15:10; 2 Cor. 11:23). Yet, he is first introduced in the New Testament as Saul, a great adversary of the cause of Christ (Acts 7:58-8:1). What changed him? The gospel. Paul wrote, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek" (Rom. 1:16).

Paul wrote the epistle to the Romans who were struggling with their differences and animosity between Jews and Gentiles. Claudius had commanded all Jews to leave Rome (Acts 18:2). Later, when they were able to return, the influx of Jews among the church in Rome which had consisted of Gentiles for years, had heightened the tensions between these two groups. The Jews made their boast because they were the special people to whom God gave the law of Moses (Rom. 2:17). Many of them, however, rejected Jesus and were cut off. The Gentiles may have been tempted to boast because they were now part of God's people while so many who were born Jews fell away (Rom. 11:17-20). Paul was an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, from the tribe of Benjamin, who could match his pedigree and accolades in Judaism with the best of them (Rom. 11:1; Phil. 3:4-6). Yet, he writes as an apostle to the Gentiles (Rom. 11:13).

Both Jews and Gentiles had the same problem—the universal problem of sin (Rom. 3:23). There is none righteous before God (Rom. 3:10). Thus, ultimately there is no difference between Jews and Gentiles before God (Rom. 3:22; 10:12; cf. Acts 15:9). "Is *he* the God of the Jews only? *is he* not also of the Gentiles? Yes, of the Gentiles also: Seeing *it is* one God, which shall justify the circumcision by faith, and uncircumcision through faith" (Rom. 3:29, 30). God saves those who call on the name of the Lord in baptism; Saul did this and his former sins of persecuting the church were washed away (Rom. 10:13; Acts 22:16; cf. Mk. 16:16; 1 Pet. 3:21).

Baptism unites one with the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ—the old man, the servant of sin, dies, and one is raised in newness of life (Rom. 6:3-7). This was the key to the dramatic change in Paul's life, and the influence for the Lord's cause the rest of his days. He wrote, "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me" (Gal. 2:20). As long as he was still on this earth, his attitude was, "For to me to live *is* Christ, and to die *is* gain" (Phil. 1:21).

The gospel is powerful. It changed Saul from a great persecutor of Christ to a great proponent of Christ; Paul was a new man in Christ (2 Cor. 5:17). The gospel made Jews and Gentiles, two groups diametrically opposed to one another, one in Christ. "For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition *between us*; Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, *even* the law of commandments *contained* in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, *so* making peace" (Eph. 2:14, 15). The gospel can change your life. It can bring together people who are radically different from one another in the fellowship of Jesus Christ. Will you let the gospel change you for good?

-Mark Day

News & Notes

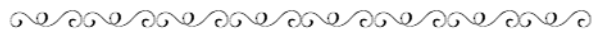
Scripture Reading: Mason Morris
Romans 11:7-10

7- What then? Israel has not obtained what it seeks; but the elect have obtained it, and the rest were blinded.

8- Just as it is written: "GOD HAS GIVEN THEM A SPIRIT OF STUPOR, EYES THAT THEY SHOULD NOT SEE AND EARS THAT THEY SHOULD NOT HEAR, TO THIS VERY DAY."

9- And David says: "LET THEIR TABLE BECOME A SNARE AND A TRAP, A STUMBLING BLOCK AND A RECOMPENSE TO THEM.

10- LET THEIR EYES BE DARKENED, SO THAT THEY DO NOT SEE, AND BOW DOWN THEIR BACK ALWAYS."



Dates To Remember

Jun 25– VBS meeting– 12 noon– annex large classroom

Jun 30– Ladies Luncheon– Olive Garden– 11:30a

Jul 2-8– W. Va. Youth Camp week

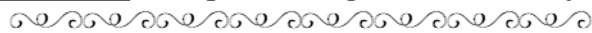
Jul 11– Ladies Book Study group– 6:30p– annex large classroom

Jul 16– Elders, deacons, preacher meeting 4:30p– annex large classroom

Jul 22– VBS– 10:00a– 2:00p (one-day only)

Sep 15-17– Evangelism seminar with Allen Webster

Oct 13-15– Gospel Meeting w/ Michael Mayo

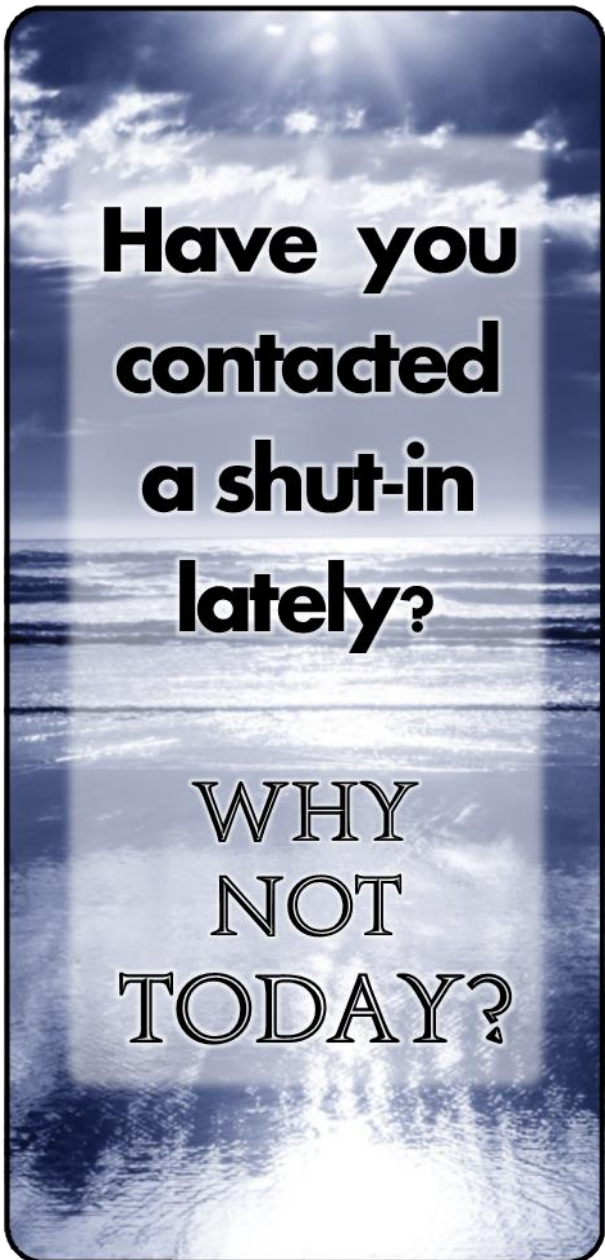


Attendance & Contribution Goals

	06/18/23	Goal	06/19/22
Bible Study	66	90	50
AM Worship	114	130	86
PM Worship	73	90	51
Mid Week	63	90	52
Contribution:	\$6015.35	\$6000.00	\$5888.00

June Ladies Luncheon

On the last Friday of each month, all ladies are encouraged to meet at 11:30am for lunch. The June luncheon will be at the Olive Garden in Ashland.



☪ Today's Servants ☪

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Nathan Adkins

SONG LEADER:

AM: Jeremiah Smith

PM: Brad Morris

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Brad Morris

PM: Greg Hall

LORD'S TABLE*:

Presiding AM: Greg Hall

Assisting: John Gambill,
JC Hughes, Mark Parks,
Jacob Martin, Bobby Edmonds,
Mark Gullett, Ernie Perry

Presiding PM: Mark Parks

Assisting: Chris Scott
*gluten-free bread

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: George Wallace

PM: Davis Brown

SCRIPTURE READING:

PM: Mason Morris

☪ Wednesday Servants ☪

WELCOME: Chris Scott

SONG LEADER: Brad Morris

PRAYER: Bobby Edmonds

DEVOTION: Greg Hall

☪ Weekly Servants ☪

LIVE STREAM: Jackson Morris

POWER POINT: Nathan Parks

BLDG. ATT.: Brad Morris

COORDINATOR: JC Hughes

ATTENDANCE: John Gambill

**** Youth Notes ****

**** Sundays ****

Pew Packers 5:45pm

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

**** July 22 ****

Vacation Bible School

10am to 2pm
Classes for all ages.
Invite your friends.



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 plate 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.