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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
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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Hebrews 11:1, KJV

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!

Responses in Acts 17

Acts 17 provides different responses to God's word that are common in our world today. Paul arrived in Thessalonica and reasoned from the Scriptures in the synagogue for three Sabbath days (Acts 17:2). This reasoning involved opening the Scriptures and drawing arguments from the text (Acts 17:3). Much like how Jesus Himself opened the Scriptures (Luke 24:32, 44), Paul also went to the Hebrew Bible (what we call the Old Testament) to show how it foretold that the Messiah would suffer and rise from the dead (Acts 17:3). Jesus fulfilled the Scriptures. How did those in Thessalonica respond? Some were persuaded and became Christians (Acts 17:4); however, others became angry and sought to get Paul into legal trouble (Acts 17:5). Anger and jealous rage are the responses many have to the Gospel today.

Paul then traveled to Berea, and opened the Scriptures in the synagogue as he had done in Thessalonica (Acts 17:10). A different response occurred among the Bereans, as Luke records: "These were more fair-minded than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness, and searched the Scriptures daily *to find out* whether these things were so" (Acts 17:11). These people were well-disposed to give a fair hearing to logical arguments from the Scriptures. They did not merely accept what Paul said without critical examination. They searched the Scriptures to determine whether his teaching was sound. They accepted the truth based on intellectual conviction that Jesus was indeed the Christ who came to suffer, die, and rise again according to the prophecies of the Old Testament. The example of the Bereans is one we should follow today. How wonderful it is to come across honest souls who are open-minded and receptive to the Gospel today, who reflect the same disposition as the Bereans.

Paul also preached in Athens in Acts 17. He encountered schools of philosophy including Epicureans and Stoics (Acts 17:18). The Athenians were overloaded with ideas. They were distracted, flitting from one idea to another. Acts 17:21 says, "For all the Athenians and the foreigners who were there spent their time in nothing else but either to tell or to hear some new thing." Many today likewise are so bombarded with information and obscure questions that they become too overwhelmed to benefit from the Bible. Some of the Athenians mocked Paul's presentation of the Gospel, and others stated they would hear him again (Acts 17:32). Many are so busy and distracted with various issues in life that they have no time to really think about the most important issues that involve the salvation of their eternal souls.

How do you respond to God's word? Do you take time to study, investigate, and meditate on what it says? Jesus pointed people to the Scriptures. Paul pointed people to Scriptures. We should point people to the Scriptures today. God's word is able to save our souls, if we will take it into our hearts and live it out in obedience in our lives (James 1:21).

-Mark Day

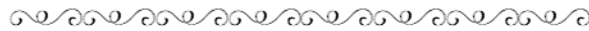
News & Notes

Scripture Reading:

Noah Day

Philippians 4:4-9

- 4- Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice.
- 5- Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand.
- 6- Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.
- 7- And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.
- 8- Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.
- 9- Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you.



October 14 Ladies Day

North Lexington church of Christ is holding their annual Ladies Day on Saturday, the 14th. "Take My Life and Let It Be" will be presented by Cherie Vestal beginning at 10am with a continental breakfast at 9am, and after the program, lunch will be provided. An RSVP is required. Speak with Bev Conley if you would like a ride.

Attendance & Contribution Goals	<u>09/24/23</u>	Goal	<u>09/25/22</u>
Bible Study	76	90	64
AM Worship	109	130	94
PM Worship	73	90	79
Mid Week	71	90	73
Contribution:	\$6169.56	\$6000.00	\$5058.50

Dates to Remember

- Oct 13-15**– Gospel Meeting w/ Michael Mayo
Oct 14– Ladies Day No. Lex. Church-10a
Oct 15– Potluck luncheon– noon– annex
Oct 22– elders, deacons, preacher meet– 4:30p– annex large classroom
Oct 27– Ladies Luncheon– 11:30a– tbd

Please, join us at our

Gospel Meeting

October 13th -15th



with guest speaker
Michael Mayo
missionary in Chiang Mai, Thailand

Oct. 13th, Friday
 7:00pm: 'The Heart of a Soul Winner'

Oct. 14th, Saturday
 7:00pm: 'Winning Souls in Troubled Times'

Oct. 15th, Sunday
 9:45am: 'Thai Report'
 10:45am: 'You Can Be a Soul Winner'
 6:00pm: 'You Never Mentioned Him to Me'

☪ Today's Servants ☪

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Greg Conley

SONG LEADER:

AM: Brad Morris

PM: Jeremiah Smith

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Nathan Parks

PM: Nathan Adkins

LORD'S TABLE*:

Presiding AM: Chris Scott

Assisting: JC Hughes,

Mark Gullett, George Wallace,

Ernie Perry, Jacob Martin,

Gabe Scott, Mason Morris

Presiding PM: Brad Morris

Assisting: JC Hughes

*gluten-free bread

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Chris Legg

PM: Jackson Morris

SCRIPTURE READING:

PM: Noah Day

☪ Wednesday Servants ☪

WELCOME: Mark Parks

SONG LEADER: Jeremiah Smith

PRAYER: John Gambill

DEVOTION: Mark Day

☪ Weekly Servants ☪

LIVE STREAM: Luke Wallace

POWER POINT: Nathan Parks

BLDG. ATT.: Brad Morris

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.**



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.