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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

**MISSIONS**

Jerry Sturgill  
*Tri-state area*  
Daniel Goshorn  
*Peru, SA*  
Dustin Bolks  
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*Suriname, SA*  
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*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 4 free Bible correspondence course series by mail:**

8 lesson series by Hurt  
6 lesson series “Acts Of The Apostles” by Pharr  
30 lesson series “Studies In The Bible”  
20 lesson series “Getting To Know Jesus” by Pharr

**Let everyone know!**

## **Without God**

Paul described the past state of Gentiles who did not know the true God back before they had become Christians in Ephesians 2:12: “that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.” What would it be like to be without God? These Gentiles were blessed to have the opportunity to obey the gospel. When they did they were brought near to God by the blood of Christ (Eph. 2:13) and reconciled to God (Eph. 2:16).

However, the New Testament does reveal the sobering reality of a time to come when those who are lost will be without God forever. Jesus described Hell as a place of “outer darkness” (Mt. 8:12; 22:13; 25:30). God is light (1 Jn. 1:5) and is called the Father of lights (Jas. 1:17). Revelation 21:23 says, “The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light.” However, to be separated from God forever would mean no light.

Jesus said that the wicked who are cast into this place of outer darkness suffer with weeping and gnashing of teeth (Mt. 8:12; 22:13; 24:51; 25:30). The rich man was so tormented in flames, he wanted Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water to bring just a drop to him. However, he is told this is not possible (Lk. 16:26). God is the God of all comfort (2 Cor. 1:3). The promise of Revelation 21:4 is: “And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.” But to be separated from God means no comfort. He who wipes away tears will not be there to comfort.

God is the God of hope (Rom. 15:13) and the God of peace (Rom. 15:33). However, if I am lost in Hell, then I will have no hope and no peace forever. When you stand before the Lord on the last day, what words will you hear? Will He say to you, “I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!” (Mt. 7:23)? Will He say, “Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels” (Mt. 25:41)? How sad that would be! God has done everything for us to be with Him for eternity. Will you respond to His love by obeying the gospel and serving Him faithfully the rest of your days? If you do, then you will hear, “Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord” (Mt. 25:21, 23), and “Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world” (Mt. 25:34).

- Mark Day

# News & Notes

## Lessons of the Week

**Sun AM:** Labor for the Lord

**Sun PM:** God and the Nations

**Wed Summer Series:** Malachi - Brandon  
Foresha

## PM Scripture Reading

Isaiah 40:12-15 (NKJV)

- 12 Who has measured the waters in the hollow of His hand,  
Measured heaven with a span  
And calculated the dust of the earth in a measure?  
Weighed the mountains in scales  
And the hills in a balance?
- 13 Who has directed the Spirit of the Lord,  
Or as His counselor has taught Him?
- 14 With whom did He take counsel,  
and who instructed Him,  
And taught Him in the path of justice?  
Who taught Him knowledge,  
And showed Him the way of understanding?
- 15 Behold, the nations are as a drop in a bucket,  
And are counted as the small dust on the scales;  
Look, He lifts up the isles as a very little thing.

## Dates to Remember

**Aug 25** - 4:30pm - Elders, preachers, and deacons meeting in Annex classroom

**Aug 30** - 11:30am - Ladies' luncheon at The Depot in Ironton

**Sept 14** - 6pm - Cookout and singing at the Scotts' house

**Sept 22-25** - Gospel Meeting with Todd Parsley

## Area Events

See bulletin board in foyer for more details.

**Aug 25-27** - Gospel Meeting at Rome with Steve Smith

**Sept 13-14** - Evangelism Workshop at Fishinger Road with Phil Sanders and Matthew Morine

**Sept 15-19** - Gospel Meeting at Pine Grove with Andy Robison

**Sept 20** - 7pm - Area Wide Sing at Paintsville

**Sept 21** - Southern WV Lectureship at Crum

### Attendance & Contribution Goals

	8/18/24	Goal	8/20/23
Bible Study	44	90	66
AM Worship	104	130	101
PM Worship	54	90	72
Mid Week	78	90	55
Contribution	\$5,955.58		\$9,497.01

**Who will you  
talk to about  
their salvation  
this week?**

## Today's Servants

### WELCOME

AM/PM: Greg Hall

### SONG LEADER

AM: Brad Morris

PM: Jeremiah Smith

### FIRST PRAYER

AM: George Wallace

PM: Chris Scott

### LORD'S TABLE\*

AM Presiding: Greg Conley

Assisting: Cody Ward, JC Hughes,  
David Morkel, Jason Fouts, Jacob Brown,  
Luke Wallace, Terry Fouts

PM Presiding: Mark Parks

Assisting: Jason Fouts

\*gluten-free bread

### CLOSING PRAYER

AM: Matt Vonderheide

PM: Jackson Morris

### SCRIPTURE READING

PM: Gabe Scott

## Wednesday Servants

WELCOME: Mark Parks

SONG LEADER: Brad Morris

PRAYER: JC Hughes

DEVOTION: Mark Day

## Weekly Servants

LIVE STREAM: Jordan Conley

POWER POINT: Mark Gullett

BLDG. ATT.: Mark Day

COORDINATOR: Nathan Parks

ATTENDANCE: John Gambill

## Youth Notes

**Pew Packers**  
**Sundays at 5:45pm**  
in front of the auditorium  
geared to age 12 and 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.

**We hope to see you often.**