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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
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“In Search of the Lord’s Way”
TV broadcast

SEARCH TV

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

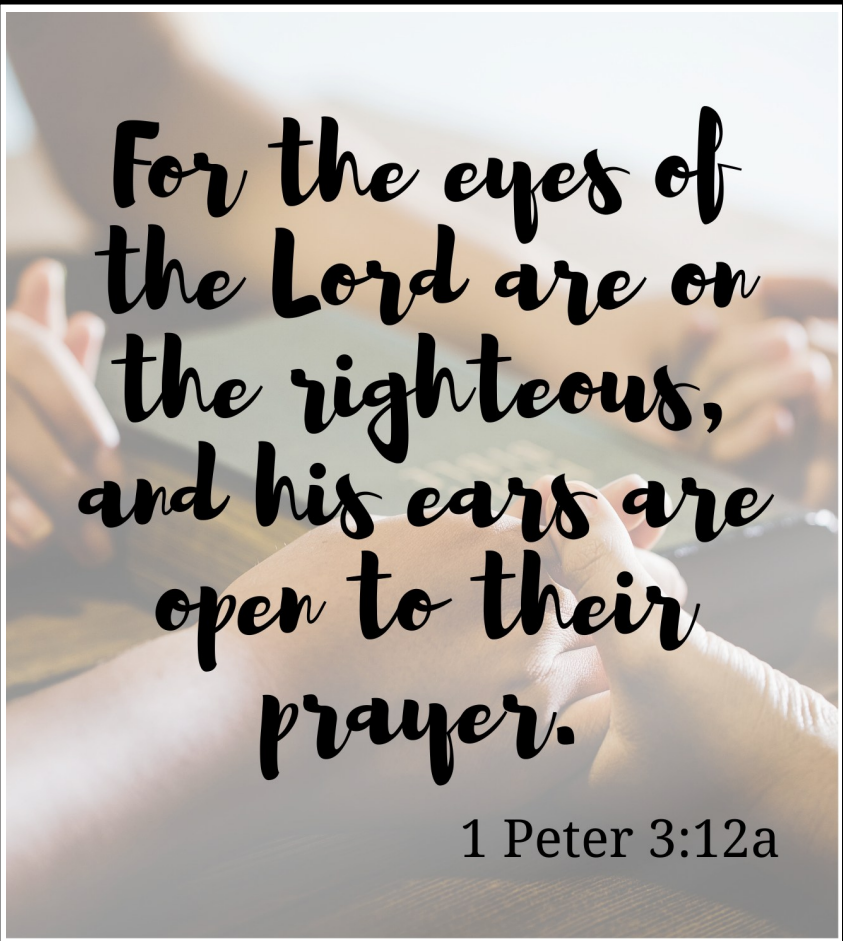
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For the eyes of
the Lord are on
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1 Peter 3:12a

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!

The Word *Church*

In Matthew 16:18 Jesus promised to build His church. Peter had just confessed that Jesus was the Christ the Son of the living God (Matthew 16:16). Upon this bedrock foundational fact Jesus made His promise. There can be no other foundation for the church than Jesus (1 Corinthians 3:11); therefore, any church that is founded on someone else has a faulty foundation and is headed for ultimate demise (Matthew 7:24-27; 15:13).

The promise Jesus made was “I will build my church.” The singular form of the word *church* ought to be glaring to a religious world that hosts thousands of different churches. Ephesians 1:22-23 and Colossians 1:18 clearly show that the church is Christ’s body. When coupled with the plain statement of Ephesians 4:4, “There is one body,” it is clear that Jesus only built one church which is to be united in teaching and practice. No mention of different worldwide churches can be found in the pages of the New Testament. When a man is saved, God adds him to Christ’s one church (Acts 2:47).

However, one may ask about the mention of “churches of Christ” in Romans 16:16. Does this indicate a multiplicity of churches? According to the New Testament, though there was only one worldwide church which was built by Christ, all of the members of this universal organization could not regularly meet in the same geographical location; therefore, the word *church* in the New Testament many times refers to local congregations of which Christians in a given locale were a part. The church at Corinth, Ephesus, and Philippi are examples of this. The seven churches in Asia Minor, to whom the book of Revelation is addressed (Revelation 1:4) are also examples of local congregations. Each of these local congregations had elders, also known as bishops, (Acts 14:23; Philippians 1:1) who would watch for the souls of those members of the local congregation, to whom each member is commanded to obey (Hebrews 13:17).

The meeting of the local congregation on a regular basis was an important part of the church in the New Testament and is just as important today (Acts 20:7; Hebrews 10:24-25; James 2:2). Thus, sometimes the word *church* is used in the sense of the assembly (1 Corinthians 14:34-35). The phrase “come together” appears six times in one section of scripture: 1 Corinthians 11:17-14:40. The instructions given here provide insight into what occurred when the whole church came together into one place (1 Corinthians 14:23). The Lord’s supper was to be observed (1 Corinthians 11:17-29), prayers were offered (1 Corinthians 14:15), psalms were sung, and public teaching occurred (1 Corinthians 14:26). This assembly occurred on the first day of the week when Christians would also give of their means to support the work of the church (Acts 20:7; 1 Corinthians 16:1-2).

The church is so important to Christ that He purchased it with His blood (Acts 20:28). Those who would please Christ will be added to the one church by obeying the Gospel (Acts 2:37-47), place membership at a local congregation where faithful elders can watch for their souls (Acts 20:28; Titus 1:5-9; 1 Peter 5:1-4), and faithfully attend the assemblies of the church for their own spiritual edification (1 Corinthians 14:4-5).

- Mark Day

Today's Lessons

AM: The Pillar and Ground of the Truth

PM: His Ears Are Open to Their Prayers

Scripture Reading

1 Peter 3:12 (NKJV)

12 For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, And His ears are open to their prayers; But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.

Ladies' Day

Saturday, April 5th from 9am to 2pm
at Pine Grove COC in Scott Depot, WV

Let Katie Smith know if you
want to carpool!

Mark your calendar!

Vacation Bible School is
Saturday, August 2nd from 10am to 2pm.
Make plans to be there!

Mark your calendar!

We will be having a two day Evangelism Training on August 23rd and 24th. This is for the entire congregation. Please mark your calendars now and make plans to attend. More details to follow.

Attendance & Contribution Goals

	2/23/25	Goal	2/25/24
Bible Study	49	90	51
AM Worship	85	130	94
PM Worship	58	90	60
Mid Week	79	90	53
Contribution	\$7,294.00		\$5,367.01

SERMON NOTES

DATE

MAIN
VERSE

KEY POINTS

KEY SCRIPTURES

Today's Prayer

PRAY MORE
worry less

Sunday Servants

WELCOME: Greg Hall

Morning

SONG LEADER: Brad Morris

FIRST PRAYER: Jeremiah Smith

LORD'S TABLE*

PRESIDING: Mark Parks

ASSISTING: Terry Fouts, Jordan Conley, Matt Vonderheide, John Gambill, Evan Gullett, Nolan Clarkson, Jason Fouts

CLOSING PRAYER: Jesse Legg

Evening

SONG LEADER: Nathan Adkins

FIRST PRAYER: Nathan Parks

LORD'S TABLE

PRESIDING: Jeremiah Smith

ASSISTING: Cody Ward

***gluten-free bread**

CLOSING PRAYER: Jackson Morris

SCRIPTURE READING: Gabe Scott

Wednesday Servants

WELCOME: Mark Parks

SONG LEADER: Brad Morris

PRAYER: John Gambill

DEVOTIONAL: Jerry Sturgill

Weekly Servants

LIVE STREAM: Jesse Legg

POWER POINT: Mason Morris

BLDG. ATT.: JC Hughes

COORDINATOR: JC Hughes

ATTENDANCE: John Gambill

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 us know if you would like to set up an in-home Bible study. Thank you for attending.

We hope to see you often!

Dates to Remember

Mar. 16 - Coffee and Dessert Night

Mar. 22 - Men's Prayer Breakfast

Apr. 5 - Ladies' Day at Pine Grove Church of Christ

Apr. 6 - Potluck after morning service

Apr. 6-9 - Gospel Meeting with Greg Dischke



Youth Notes

Sundays at 5:45pm - Pew Packers in front of the auditorium geared to age 12 and under but everyone is welcome.

Mar. 12 - Last day to take L2L tests

Apr. 17-20 - Lads to Leaders Convention

Aug. 2 - Vacation Bible School 10am-2pm

Something to ponder...

"You can learn great things from your mistakes when you aren't