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Sunday Bible Study 9:45am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
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Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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“In Search of the Lord’s
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Sunday AM: NO EYE HAS SEEN...1 Corinthians 2:9
Sunday PM: Nathan Adkins



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. There are free tracts and literature on the wall in the foyer. 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!

When I Take My Last Breath

We have certainly had our fair share of deaths and funerals in the last few weeks. These have led me to think a lot about what the bible says about the subject of death and what happens after we take our last breath. When I take my last breath, the world around me will continue, but my soul will enter into a realm unseen by mortal eyes, the eternal world prepared by God. Scripture teaches us that life is a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away (James 4:14). Every breath we take is a gift from God, but one day, the final breath will come. Yet for the faithful Christian, death is not a tragedy, it is a transition. It is the moment when faith becomes sight, and hope becomes reality.

When that final breath leaves my body, my spirit will return to the God who gave it (Ecclesiastes 12:7). This truth assures us that death does not end our existence; it merely separates the spirit from the body. The physical frame returns to the dust from which it was made (Genesis 3:19), but the soul continues in conscious existence. Jesus illustrated this vividly in the account of the rich man and Lazarus (Luke 16:19–31). When both men died, their souls went to different destinations. Lazarus was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom, a place of comfort, while the rich man found himself in torment. This shows that the moment we die, our eternal destiny is sealed. There is no second chance, no crossing over, and no purgatory.

For the Christian, death is precious in the sight of the Lord (Psalm 116:15). It is the homecoming of a faithful servant. Paul, nearing the end of his life, wrote with peace and confidence, saying, *"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness"* (2 Timothy 4:7–8). He looked beyond death to the crown that the righteous Judge would give him, and not only to him, but to all who love His appearing. Death, then, is not a defeat for the faithful, it is a victory through Christ.

Jesus Himself removed the sting of death. *"I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live"* (John 11:25). Through His own death and resurrection, He conquered the grave so that we might live eternally. Because of His victory, we can echo Paul's triumphant words: *"O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?"* (1 Corinthians 15:55). Death no longer holds dominion over the faithful child of God; it has become the doorway to everlasting life.

When I take my last breath, I want to be prepared as one who has obeyed the gospel and walked in the light of Christ. The Lord said, *"Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life"* (Revelation 2:10). To die in Christ is the greatest blessing of all, for only those *"who die in the Lord"* will rest from their labors (Revelation 14:13). Until that moment, we live with purpose, to glorify God, to love others, and to prepare for eternity.

And so, when that final breath comes, I pray it will be a peaceful one, knowing that my Savior waits beyond the veil. I will close my eyes to this world and open them to the presence of my Lord. The faithful will hear the words every Christian longs for: *"Well done, good and faithful servant... enter into the joy of your Lord"* (Matthew 25:21).

When I take my last breath, I will finally go home.

God Bless -Todd



it's a girl

**CONGRATULATIONS TO DANIEL, HALIE,
TITUS, AND DANI FLATT ON THE BIRTH OF:**

**DOTTI RUTH FLATT
BORN NOVEMBER 7TH**



BOY, oh BOY!



**BABY SHOWER
HONORING
NIECY WELLS
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4
6:00PM
CHURCH ANNEX**

*NIECY IS REGISTERED AT AMAZON
UNDER NIECY WELLS*

TEAM THREE

**Meet tonight (Sunday, Nov 16th)
in the annex to sign cards for our
Evangelism program.**

**You may sign cards before or
after evening service**

**GRANDPARENTS AGAIN!!
CONGRATS TO GAIL AND CURTIS
TRITAPOE ON THE BIRTH OF A
GRANDDAUGHTER BORN NOVEMBER 5TH.
"RUBY LYNN TRITAPOE"**



Attendance & Contribution

	11/9/25	Goal	11/3/24
Bible Study	72	90	65
AM Worship	125	130	113
PM Worship	66	90	64
Mid-Week	72	90	70
Contribution	\$7035.00		\$6703.62

**Free Bible Correspondence Courses
Available by Mail:**

8 lesson series by Hurt
 "Studies in The Bible" (30 lessons)
 "Acts of The Apostles" by Pharr (6 lessons)
 "Getting to Know Jesus" by Pharr (20 lessons)

