

Today's Order of Worship

Announcements: Greg Lowery

Song Leader: David Key

Opening Prayer: Charles Berryhill

On the Table: Head - Ralph Burleson
Servers - Josh Berryhill
Lannie Key
Eddy Dickinson

Closing Prayer: Leonard Key

Preparing the Lord's Supper Deborah Box

Weekly Service Times

Sunday

Bible Study	10:00 am
Morning Worship	10:45 am
Evening Worship	5:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Study	7:00 pm
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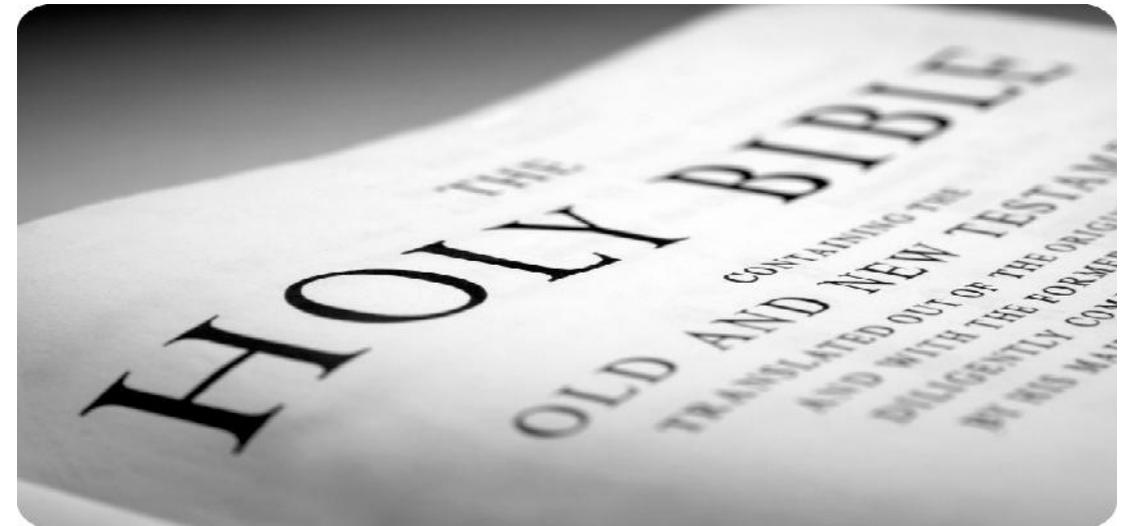
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Welcome To Our Gospel Meeting



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What Does This Gospel Meeting Mean to You?

By Danny Johnson

Each of us should have already asked ourselves the question; “What does this gospel meeting mean to me?” Will I receive benefit from attending each service or is my time better spent elsewhere? Will my faith and my relationship with the Lord be strengthened or will teaching from the revealed and inspired word of God have no effect on me? Do I already have all the knowledge of the Bible that I need to be pleasing to Him, or could I possibly learn or be reminded of a spiritual principle that could make a difference in my eternal salvation? Could I help and encourage others by attending the meetings or would my presence have no value to anyone? These are serious questions we all need to ask ourselves, even though we know the answers if we tell ourselves the truth.

This series of lessons from the Bible has two purposes; the same two goals that every effort made to teach and preach the word in the New Testament has.

First, to evangelize, to proclaim the gospel to lost people. Paul writes, “I am a debtor both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to wise and to unwise. So, as much as is in me, I am ready to preach the gospel to you who are in Rome also. For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first, and also for the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, ‘The just shall live by faith’” (Romans 1:14-17).

The second purpose or goal is to edify, to exhort and build up members to greater knowledge and service. “And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the day approaching” (Hebrews 10:24-25). If the gospel meeting this week means something to us, it will cause us to act in certain ways.

1) Pray: Hopefully, we have been praying daily for this meeting in our private prayers at home. Now we need to continue to pray for our speaker, for our visitors, and invitees to have open hearts as they hear the word of God preached; for any weak members who need strength; and for members who have left their service to the Lord, that they would penitently return to Him.

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Faye Cotton: recent scans showed no new growth, please be praying that some new treatment can be found that will help her

Mary Eddy: she is recovering from knee surgery, please be praying that she makes a full and quick recovery

Barbara Wilkinson: still having problem with infection on her feet, please pray that the medicine she is taking will cure this infection

Bill Foster: surgery went well to replace aorta valve, please be praying that his health will continue to improve

Danny Harbin: recently diagnosed with prostate cancer, please keep him in your prayers

Mable Weeks: recent scans showed no new growth of cancer, please continue to pray that this cancer can be defeated

Barb Lemay: friend of Christie & Aaron, from the Midway congregation – she has advanced colon cancer; please be praying that treatments will help

Denise Kimbrell: has completed her treatments; please be praying that cancer will not return

Sandy McCaleb: has started cancer treatments, please be praying that this cancer can be treated and defeated

Edward Skinner: has been recently diagnosed with cancer, please pray that this cancer will be treatable

Kay Dodd: has started treatments and will take them through November, please be praying that the treatments will defeat this cancer

Charles Gay: has a brain tumor, attends the Cleveland congregation, please pray for him and his family

Upcoming Events

Today	Fellowship Meal	
Today - Wednesday	Gospel Meeting with Keith McNeely {Remember tonight’s service begins at 7:30 pm}	
Today	Bible Bowl {Fayette}	2:00 pm
June 25 th	Tri-County Singing {Tidwell Chapel}	2:00 pm

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Samuel Walker: having some heart problems, please be praying that he will receive help for this problems

Rebert Corkren: diagnosed with lung cancer, please be praying that he will receive the help needed defeat this cancer

Jan Franks: problems with a collapsed knee, please be praying that he will receive the help he needs

2) Prepare: Yes, I know the meeting starts today, but there are still some preparations we can make to help our collective efforts to save souls. Continue to invite family, friends, and neighbors to the services. Encourage other members who may not normally attend nightly services of our meetings to be there this time. Be present early to meet and greet our visitors, and so you do not disturb the services once they have begun. Make all visitors feel warmly welcome. They are souls!

3) Be present: Clear your calendar now so that you can attend every service. When you invite a visitor, nothing makes a worse impression on them than if you stay home on the night he/she attends. In a gospel meeting, your presence is always edifying, while your absence is always demoralizing. Empty seats truly have an effect on all who attend — affecting the morale of the members and the impact of the message on visitors. Let us determine today to be present at every service.

4) Participate: Remember, you are coming to worship the God of heaven! Again, arrive early to welcome visitors and invite them to come back after the service. Sing every song in a spirited, enthusiastic manner with grace in your heart. Reverently give attention to the prayers being offered, and say amen at the closing if you want to. Give close attention to the lesson and turn in your Bible to read the verses cited. Let members and visitors know you are truly interested in hearing and learning God’s word.

This meeting is going to be a wonderful spiritual time for many. It will be extremely beneficial to those who truly want to grow from these nights of studying God’s word together. Don’t you want to be one of those? You and I will be stronger, more knowledgeable, and better serving Christians if we pray for the events of the week, prepare for each night, be present for every meeting, and participate in the worship services.

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Faith to Get You through to the End

By Ed Benesh

Have you ever noticed the various words used to describe or give value to the idea of faith in the Bible? Some folks had “little” faith, while others had “great” faith. Others had a faith that “had not been seen in all Israel,” while others had “no” faith. Some had a faith that “made them well” or “saved,” while others’ faith was bound by “doubt.” No matter what the designation is, one’s perspective about faith and the process that it is will be the determinate factor in the various designations of faith. In other words, what you bring to the process of faith will often determine the ability of your faith to grow and produce great fruit.

Recently, my children and I went to Joshua Tree National Park in California. Inside the park is a place called Hidden Valley, which promises great views, unique wildlife and beautiful vegetation. It was also one of the few places in the park where one had to park his car and hike in, which makes sense. It wouldn’t rightly be “Hidden Valley” if you could drive through it.

We definitely wanted to see it, but that meant we had to hike, which would not have been a problem had we not hiked four other national parts in the three previous days. As we got out of the car and looked at the trailhead and at the trail that led up, up and up through rugged and rocky terrain, the kids let out a sigh and verbally wondered whether or not the journey would be worth it. As we started up, they groaned. About half way up, they became agitated. However, when we reached the crest and rounded the last of the boulders to survey the landscape, which was more amazing than promised, those grumblings were wiped away by the inexpressible wonder at the awesomeness of the scene before us, created by the cataclysmic collision of two tectonic plates on the San Andreas Fault.

Once at the top and viewing those moments of awe and silence, I asked the kids, “If you knew that it was going to be this good, do you think you would have complained as much about the journey?” Of course, their answer was a resounding, “No.” When their view was limited and all they saw was the difficulty of the trail and the accompanying dust, sweat and even a little blood, they tended toward negativity, complaining and a desire to turn back. When they could see the end, however, it all changed.

Part of faith is the perspective we bring. If our faith has a vision and a desire to see the end with God in eternity, then our current situations, no matter how rocky or rough, can be overcome. If we can peer over that earthly horizon to that heavenly bliss, then the current unrest, distress and distractions will be diminished, if not disappear.

So, let your quality and journey of the day be established by the view of spiritual things and that skyline of eternity, rather than your world-bound situation, either good or bad. You will find that your week will be far better, produce less stress, and you will have peace. “For we walk by faith, not by sight” (2 Corinthians 5:7 NKJV). For prayer power, pray through these verses and ask God to give you clarity of spiritual sight and to strengthen you in your spiritual journey.

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