



WHAT'S
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What's Wrong With Me?

How often do you ask yourself, "What's wrong with me?" It's a question I've asked myself way too many times: when I forget something important, when I'm late for a meeting, lose my keys, miss deadlines or walk into a room in my house and can't remember why I went there.



And every time I ask, "What's wrong with me?" I actually tell myself something is wrong with me.

But one day I got tired of telling myself *something was wrong with me*. And got tired of trying to figure out my elusive fault so I could change it.

I needed to change the way I talked to myself.

God doesn't want us berating ourselves with questions and statements that make us feel defective and defeated.

But, we have an enemy who loves to cast a shadow of self-doubt over us by playing into our self-defeating thoughts. He tries to get us to focus on all that is *wrong* with us (real or perceived), instead of anything that is *right* with us.

Scripture tells us when Satan lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies (John 8:44). The word *lie* means a falsehood with the *intent* to deceive.

Satan *intends* to deceive our hearts by getting us to take our eyes off of who we are in Christ and focus on our flaws — then spend our days figuring out how we can hide them.

One of his goals is to get us to believe lies that leave us feeling inadequate and unsure of ourselves. It's just what he did with Eve in the garden. In fact, I wonder if Eve might have thought, *What's wrong with me?* when she became aware of her inadequacy.

Then the eyes of both [Adam and Eve] were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as he was walking in the garden...and they hid from the Lord God...But the Lord God called to the man, "Where are you?"

He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid." (Genesis 3:7-10, NIV)

In verse 11 God responds with a question, asking Adam who told them they were naked. In other words, *"Who told you that something is wrong with you?"*

In asking this question, God acknowledged there was someone casting shame on

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WE HAVE A
NEW PHONE
NUMBER!
906
915-4754
PLEASE MAKE
A NOTE OF IT

**Our Sunday
Worship Schedule**
Communion Each Sunday
8 am Early Adult Sunday School
9 am Worship
10:15 am Children's Sunday
School, Adult Sunday School
Choir Practice

**Upper Room
Bible Study
Wednesdays**
**10 am in the
Fellowship Hall**
Led by Pastor Thomas Q.
Communion Served

Our Church Directory is available to you 24/7.

That's right, we have a pictorial, online directory that you can access on your computer, laptop and mobile phone! The directory is password protected-you make up your own password so it is safe to use. Find it at:

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3. Enter your email as it's listed in our church directory.
4. Enter the assigned password into the app to begin syncing.



Community Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Message

Saturday, March 24th 4-6 pm



Time to Stuff Some Eggs!

If you would like to assist with preparations for the Community Easter Egg Hunt, please join Merle Hughes on **Tuesday, March 6th at 10 am** in the Fellowship Hall. HUNDREDS, maybe THOUSANDS of eggs will need to be stuffed. Merle says we will stuff eggs until they are all done!

What a fun time of year! Along with the traditional Egg Hunt will be the glorious Easter Story. Be sure to mark your calendars and bring your kiddies, your grandchildren, and any other kiddos you can round up for a grand time at Lakeside on **Saturday, March 24th**. As always, **FAMILIES WELCOME!**

The Bus Brigade....

Had a wonderful time on Tuesday, February 13th handing out goodie bags full of nutritious treats and of course special Valentine's Day goodies.

Pictured at left is the distribution of bags at the Southern Oaks Community Center. These kids were happy to get their bag!

How the Bus Brigade works:

Workers get together at mid-day to stuff bags with snacks, then wait for the buses to come in. Merle Hughes will place workers with buses to ensure coverage of all the kids coming home.

Remaining Bus Brigade Days:

March 22 April 19
May 17

Call Merle at 903 389-8808 if you would like to help.





Kathy Albright
Sierra Arabia
Dorothea Atkerson
Paul Battett
Billy & Barbara Bankston
Diane Bethany
Terri Blank
Edwin Bowman
Michael Bradford
Karen Brewton
Sherry Brice
Dudley Bumpass
Judy Byerly
Family of Brenda Cannon
Ron Cannon
Bill Drozd
Harold Durham
Families of FL Shooting
Avery & Carolyn
Catherine Fenton
Laurie Franklin
Kenneth Friedell
Clark Fritz
Cynthia Gage
Billy Ray Godfrey Sr.
The Family of Don Grieb,
Sr.
Susie Grizzard
The Family of Henry
Grizzard
The Family of Sheryl
Groves
Frank Habecker
Mary Hair
Paul & Annette Hanson
Michael Hardin
Marlene Holiday
Wayman & Jean Hughen

Avery Hughes
Leanne Hughes
Sid Isenberg
Pam Johnson
Carley Jones
Keith & Kathy Jones
Kay & Terry Kamp
Bea Kelley's Granddaugh-
ter
Wendel & Cecile Kelley
Janet Martin
Nelda Mollinex
Joyce Moore's Brother-in-
Law
The Jimmy Nicholson
Family
Mark Osina
Rudy Pearson
Wanda Penny
Linda Plunk
Vic Rice
Ron Riha
Faye Robbins
Ed Scruggs
Pat Simmons
The Family of Jordan Sim-
mons
Avery
Nicole Steffls
Roxie Steinburg
Martha & Jack Stone
Carole Stubblefield
Sister Linda & Husband
Eileen Suggs' Son
Jay Suggs
Pam Tenbrook & Father
President Trump
Van & Patsy Wagnon
Patricia Weathered
Roy Weathered
Connie Wolf
Tom Wolf
The Yarbroughs
Bless us all during these
violent times

Good Times!
Thursday,
Mar 8th, 12-2 pm
Why don't you come and have
lunch, play some games, have
some good conversation, and
have a
Good Time!

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them — and it wasn't Him. I believe He wanted them to be aware of their enemy who was whispering lies into their hearts, causing them to move away from Him and from each other. God also wants us to be aware that we have an enemy who is constantly trying to convince us that we're inadequate and that something is wrong with us. Sadly, we often go along with Satan's lies and live like they are true. Rarely do we stop to ask, "Who is saying these things? Who is causing me to doubt myself? Is there something from my past that led me to believe this? Or is it the enemy of my soul disguising his voice as my own?" Satan's schemes are the same for us as they were for Eve. But we don't have to go along with him. Instead we can refuse his lies and refute his accusations with these truths: When you feel defeated, remember God says, "In all these things [you] are more than [a conqueror] through him who loved [you] ... " **(Romans 8:37, NIV)** When you feel worthless, remember God says, "You are precious and honored in my sight, and . . . I love you." **(Isaiah 43:4, NIV)** When you feel inadequate, remember God

says, "You are my witnesses," declares the Lord, "and my servant whom I have chosen, so that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he." **(Isaiah 43:10, NIV)**

Which encouraging truth do you need to hold onto this week?

With Christ (in) you, there is nothing wrong with you.

Don't let anyone, not even yourself, convince you otherwise.



Friday, Mar 2
John Wesley Died (1791)
World Day of Prayer
Sunday, Mar 4
COMMUNION
8 am Early Sunday School
9 am Worship
10:15 am Adult & Children's Sunday School
5 pm Dare to Share Study
Tuesday, Mar 6
10-Noon Fill Easter Eggs
Wednesday, Mar 7
10 am Upper Room Bible Study
6 pm Choir Practice
6 pm CYC
7 pm Bridge
Thursday, Mar 8
12-2 pm Good Times
Saturday, Mar 10
5-8 pm SOVFD Chili Supper
Sunday, Mar 11
UMCOR SUNDAY
SCOUTING SUNDAY

Daylight Saving Time Begins
COMMUNION
8 am Early Sunday School
9 am Worship
10:15 am Adult & Children's Sunday School
Monday, Mar 12
10 am CCC at NHB
Tuesday, Mar 13
2 pm Stephen Ministers
Wednesday, Mar 14
10 am Upper Room Bible Study
6 pm CYC
6 pm Choir Practice
7 pm Bridge
Friday, Mar 16
9:30-12 CTC Meeting
Saturday, Mar 17
ST PATRICK'S DAY
Sunday, Mar 18
COMMUNION
8 am Early Sunday School
9 am Worship
10:15 am Adult &

Children's Sunday School
Sunday, Mar 19
School
6 pm Finance Meeting
7 pm Council Meeting
Tuesday, Mar 20
Food Pantry Work Day
First Day of Spring
Wednesday, Mar 21
10 am Upper Room Bible Study
6 pm Choir Practice
6 pm CYC
7 pm Bridge
Thursday, Mar 22
BUS BRIGADE
Friday, Mar 23
Fairfield Market Days
Saturday, Mar 24
4-6 pm Easter Egg Hunt
Fairfield Market Days
Sunday, Mar 25
START OF HOLY WEEK
PALM SUNDAY
8 am Early Sunday School
9 am Worship
10:15 am Adult &

Children's Sunday School
Fairfield Market Days
Tuesday, Mar 27
10 am Cooking Forum
2 pm Stephen Ministers
Wednesday, Mar 28
10 am Upper Room Bible Study
6 pm Choir Practice
6 pm CYC
7 pm Bridge
Thursday, Mar 29
MAUNDY THURSDAY
6 pm Maundy Thursday Service
Friday, Mar 30
GOOD FRIDAY
6 pm Good Friday Service
Passover Begins

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE IN JANUARY	
Worship	77
Sunday School	21
Nursery	1
Bible Study	8



Tom Wolf	2-Mar
Bill Cline	3-Mar
Judy Snowden	9-Mar
Harlan Schoor	12-Mar
Lynda Mitchell	14-Mar
Terry Bumpass	16-Mar
Michael Weathered	16-Mar
Joyce Moore	19-Feb

Bill Johnson	20-Mar
Bethany Yarbrough	22-Mar
Dylan Lott	23-Mar
Steve Mobley	24-Mar
Ray Dube	27-Mar
Sue Ander	29-Mar
Tim Cluck	31-Mar



Cathy & Ron Kjellsen	6-Mar
Betsy & Pat Metcalf	6-Mar
Ginger & Ron Moody	20-Mar
Ruth & Thomas Q. Robbins	24-Mar



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