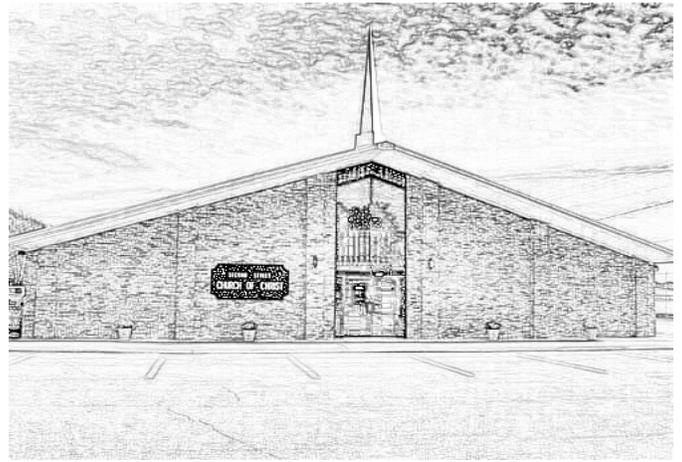


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SERVICE TIMES

Sunday Bible Class...9:00am
Sun. Morn. Worship.10:00am
Sunday Evening.....5:00pm
Wed. Evening.....7:00pm

***Endeavoring to keep
the unity of the Spirit
in the bond of peace.
Ephesians 4:3***

The Storms of Life

At some point in life most of us face many types of health, financial, family or other serious problem. Recently, it seems that “storm clouds” have encircled many due to lost jobs, poor health and the economic situation in our country. It would be quite easy to begin counting our problems instead of our blessings.

Life is precious. It was given each of us by God. He understands that we face difficulties in this short sojourn on earth. Yet, trials and sufferings are a part of life itself, brought on by the sin in the world since Adam and Eve.

Tragedies may come, jobs may be lost, diseases may rack our bodies, or business losses may cause financial disasters. There may be times when we feel we are all alone and overcome by life’s difficulties. God did not promise to take away our troubles. But, He did promise that the Lord would never leave nor forsake us (Hebrews 13:5). When trials surround us, He offers comfort and hope through His Word (Romans 15:4). He gives us peace through Christ (John 16:4; Philippians 4:7). If we are in Christ then nothing can separate us from God’s love (Romans 8:35-39).

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Rom 15:4

When the storms of life comes our way, let us call to mind the words of the apostle Peter, “casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you” (1 Peter 5:7).

John K. Wills

Owingsville church of Christ

Owingsville, KY Bulletin Digest

Announcements

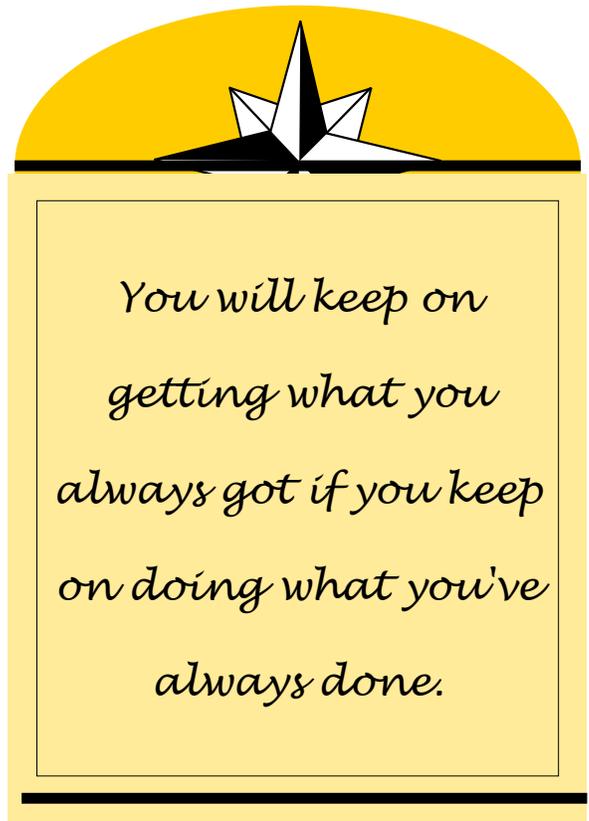
Welcome Visitors!! You are our honored guest, and we are glad you came our way! We invite you back to our evening services at 5:00 and Wednesday Bible study at 7:00 pm.

The sign-up sheet to host a singing and fellowship night is posted on the board in the foyer.

Food Drive item - see list in the back for items that may be lacking.

Thanksgiving Dinner - A date will be chosen soon.

Clothing Drive Continues - See Debra Wren if you have any clothes to bring.



Man's Three Needs

“And he (Isaac) builded an altar there, and called upon the name of the Lord, and pitched his tent there: and there Isaac's servants digged a well” (Genesis 26:25).

Much confusion exists in our world regarding the purpose of life. Many people are confused and uncertain about what to do with their lives. This passage, regarding Isaac, shows us the three basic needs of each person.

Worship—Isaac built an altar; he provided a place of worship; All who will experience a fulfilled life today must enjoy a peaceful relationship with God (John 4:24).

Home—Isaac pitched his tent; he made provision for his family. The family has always been a part of God's plan for man. To be happy one must strive to establish and maintain a happy home (Ephesians 5:21-33).

Work—Isaac also was concerned about his occupation. Because he was a shepherd, it was necessary for him to dig a well to provide for his sheep. God does not approve of “free loaders.” He requires that people work and make a positive contribution to society (Ephesians 4:28).

The three basic needs of man have never changed. He needs to worship, and serve God, his creator. He needs the blessings that come from a happy home. He also needs to earn a livelihood for himself and for those dependent upon him. Also of importance is the order in which these three items appear in the text: religion comes first, followed by his family, and then the occupation. When these three items are in place the correct order, then God's plan for your life is complete.

*Kenneth Bray
via Findlay church of Christ
Sparta, TN Bulletin Digest*

How a spiritual mindset benefits thankfulness

Thankfulness requires humility or it swiftly turns into self-congratulations. We need a different mindset if we'll truly understand thanksgiving.

In a fleshly world, all of our joy must be found here. When struggles and obstacles face us, we have nowhere to escape (and the land of drugs and alcohol is a world of nightmares).

As our troubles become taller and more expansive, we can't see over them and we feel lost. What we have here before us is everything we're going to get and despair is our only option.

However, with a spiritual mindset, we're able to rise above the mounting problems and see into eternity (Psalm 23). This fresh perspective changes all the rules. The here and now decreases in value and the world loosens its grip.

Prayer makes God bigger and our problems smaller because they're weighed against heaven. Is this word or action worth giving up heaven? The criterion for our decision making completely changes.

God opens up an entirely new world for us. He helps carry the burdens of our troubles and provides a way to peace and safety (Matthew 11:28-29). The solace we find in him is liberating.

In Christ, we have access to all spiritual blessings (Ephesians 1:3) and in him, we have peace and all the ingredients for thanksgiving (Colossians 3:15). We just have to accept them.

“Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up” (James 4:10, NKJV).

He opens the door to thanksgiving by helping us realize that everything comes from God. If we selfishly think that we earned all we have by our own abilities, we'll swell with pride but not gratitude.

We need something larger than ourselves to love and provide for us. Someone to thank and appreciate.

God fills that need and he sends his son to provide spiritual life for all of us (Revelation 3:20; John 10:10). Let us praise and thank him every day of the year (Psalm 100).

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Wednesday

Bible Study **7:00pm**

Behold, how good and how pleasant *it is*
for brethren to dwell together in unity!

Psalms 133:1

The process for becoming a Christian
is the same as it was over 2000 years
ago! To become a Christian, one must:

Hear the Gospel - Rom. 10:17

Believe the Gospel - Heb. 11:6

Repent of Sins - Luke 13:3

Confess Christ - Rom. 10:10

Be Immersed Into Christ - Acts 2:38

Live a Faithful Life - Rev. 2:10

None of these alone will make you a
Christian. These commands are from
God and must be obeyed from the
heart to become a Christian.

Prayer List

Paula Wanner	Henry Vandagriff
Joey Pierce	Faye Johnson
Phillip Pharr	Ellie Sander
Barbara Blackman	Stephanie Moore
Larry Sartain	Flora Wanner
Jennifer Steger	Eric Wilson
Lou Dodson	Shane Stevens
Mike Braden	Allison Heitzman
Tim Denson	Jim Johnson
Sammy Green	Brenda Leatherwood
Charlotte Lard	David James
Janice Moody	Jimmy Searcy
Carolyn Holcomb	Mark Vandagriff
Steve Harris	Oscar Vandagriff
Dianne Vandagriff	Lynn Sander
Manzy Caldwell	



November Birthdays

Wil Williams 11/5

Abel Cozort 11/15

Graydon Tidwell 11/16

Doris Johnson 11/18

November Anniversaries

Joey & Sherry 11/29

Sympathy

Martin family

Sparks family

Moody family