

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Class 10:00 AM
 Morning Worship 11:00 AM
 Evening Worship 6:00 PM

Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 PM

Leadership

Elders Hayward Blanton
 Jerry Casey
 Clint Smith Sr

Deacons Brandon Slotman
 Clint Smith Jr
 Robby Stocksdale
 Joe Sweeney

Pulpit Minister Eric Welch

Missions

Panama Pablo & Myra Sanchez
 Panama Denicio & Carmen Miranda
 New Zealand Nick & Marisa Parker

We Offer Free Personal Bible Studies and

Free Bible Correspondence Courses

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Those Privileged to Serve

A.M. Worship Service

Song Leader Michael Hawkins
 Opening Prayer Clint Smith Jr
 Scripture Reading John Keaton
 Sermon Eric Welch
 Lord's Supper Message Rick Martin
 Table Attendant Marc Owens
 Table Attendant Hank Tincher
 Closing Prayer Eric Welch

P.M. Worship Service

Song Leader No Services
 Bible Reading No Services
 Selection No Services
 Opening Prayer No Services
 Sermon No Services
 Closing Prayer No Services

A.M. & P.M. Services

Announcements Harold Tincher
 Lord's Supper Prayer Derrick Smith II
 Offering Prayer Grover Blanton
 Usher Joe Sweeney
 Count Offering Robby Stocksdale
 Assist Count Art Patrick

Sermon Titles

Sunday Morning

Building Up the Family - Matthew 19:1-9

Sunday Evening

No Services

Last Sunday

Offering: \$3,001

Attendance: 104

WHAT DID I DO TO DESERVE THIS?

Many make this statement in anger and confusion, trying to make sense of some wrong that they feel has been burdened upon them. When I make this statement, I make it in wonder and amazement.

What did I do to deserve the grace and love that God shows to me with each breath I take? Why does he listen when I pray and ask for his help? He knows me. He knows that I will trip and make the same mistake over again. He knows that although I don't mean to, I will again fall and need His hand to guide me.

So why...What did I do to deserve this?

Because I believe! I believe that this world was not just created by a big bang, but by a loving hand. I believe that the sun didn't just rise this morning but that He willed it to be another day.

I believe that He has interceded in my behalf more times than I can remember. I believe He gives us obstacles so that we may learn from them, and perhaps He is testing our faith in Him. He wants us to call on Him.

I believe that He loved us so much that he sent His Son to die for a world of people who are amazed and don't know what they did to deserve Him.

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The Paradox of Spiritual Starvation

Somewhere I have read that a bird can go nine days without food; a dog, ten days; a turtle, 500 days, a snake, 800 days; a fish, 1000 days; and some insects 12,000 days (almost 33 years)! For man, the limit is 14 days. However long one may go without food, sooner or later all of God's creatures must have food or they perish. Each of us has probably been hungry enough for physical food at some time that we think of nothing else. So it is with the entire animal world. Although a man is basically honest, if he becomes hungry enough, he will steal his food if he cannot get it otherwise. This is one of the most compelling instincts found in man and beast.

One might think that the soul that is shriveling and dying from spiritual starvation would experience a similar yearning for nourishment, but here is a great paradox. The soul of man that is most undernourished for lack of bread of life generally has the least appetite for spiritual food. The person whose soul is pygmied for lack of the nourishment of the milk and meat of this World is least likely to be hungering and thirsting after righteousness.

The Christian who has remained a babe in Christ over the years has the least inclination toward maintaining a hearty diet of spiritual delicacies. Those who need them the most could hardly care less whether the church even continues its program of Bible classes on Sundays and Wednesdays. A week of Gospel meetings to them is a dull prospect at best and is all but ignored by them.

Such seem to see themselves as people who have no need of such activities, when in reality they are most in need of them. Some seem to have the attitude that they are so spiritual that they could not even profit from continued studies in the Word of God.

Such brethren may be identified with various life forms. Some like the turtle, may have taken little or no nourishment for 500 days. Others may be likened to the snake, the fish, or even the insect. How long has it been since you were in your Bible class on Sunday morning or Wednesday night? How long has it been since you studied your Bible at home?

The world and the church alike are suffering some grievous crises at present, most of which relates to spiritual starvation. God's people have a dual responsibility: (1) to so feed on God's Word that it controls our thoughts (Cor 10:5) and (2) to spread the Word to as many as we can.

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Building Up the Family

Eric Welch

“Building Up the Family” is the theme for VBS 2018. I am excited about it because it corresponds to the monthly preaching series “Building Up.” Each class will focus on how the families can become stronger.

Big thanks to Ashley Smith, Kate Slotman and Stephanie Welch for their hard work in organizing this event. Thank you to Cassie Tincher for her good work on the "cool" T-shirts. Thank you to all of our volunteers in snacks, crafts and teachers and the little things I don't know about. Let's be sure to encourage our puppeteers; their work goes toward their participation in the Lads to Leaders ministry. And thanks to our elders for shepherding the church and reaching out to the community in this work. Let's pray fervently and invite our friends to “come and see” (John 1:46) how VBS 2018 will be.

The nightly schedule for VBS is as follows:

7:00 - 7:05 Welcome and Song in Auditorium

7:05 - 7:10 Puppet Skit

7:10 - 7:15 Prayer and Dismiss to Classes

7:15 - 7:45 Children in Class (Please note: cradle roll, teens and adults will remain in class until 8 pm)

7:45 - 8:15 Crafts and Snacks

8:15 - 8:20 Everyone in Auditorium for a Song

8:20 - 8:25 Puppet Skit

8:25 - 8:30 Prayer and Dismissal

VBS Personnel

Contact Persons:

MC - Clint Smith, Jr. / Derrek Smith

Snacks - Clint Smith, Sr.

Crafts - Debbie Tincher/Cassie Tincher

Puppets - Lads to Leaders (Ashley Smith/Kate Slotman)

Class Divisions:

Cradle Roll to Age 2

Age 2 to Age 4 (pre k)

Kindergarten and 1st Grade

2nd and 3rd Grade

4th Grade to 6th Grade

7th Grade to 12th Grade

Adults

Children's Teachers:

Cradle Roll - Alicia Watts and Kelly Burton

Age 2 to Age 4 (pre k) - Amanda Keaton and Jennifer Blanton

Kindergarten to Grade 6 classes - Paula Casey and Debbie Smith, Sonja Montgomery and

Kirsten Stocksdales, Kate Slotman and Barbara Faith

Teen Teachers:

Fin Burton (Monday)

Leon Stocksdales (Tuesday)

Brandon Slotman (Wednesday)

Adult Teachers:

Doug McArthur (Monday)

Eric Welch (Tuesday)

Jerry Casey (Wednesday)

Hamburg Pike Happenings

Please mark your calendar for our upcoming VBS. It is scheduled for July 16th through July 18th from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. each evening. The theme is “Building Up the Family”.

In preparation for our VBS a work day has been scheduled for Saturday July 14th, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. We will be organizing crafts, decorating rooms and preparing things for the puppet shows. We appreciate all the help we can get. See Ashley or Stephanie with questions.

A Fellowship Meal is scheduled for Sunday July 15th after the morning services. Fried chicken will be provided; a sign-up sheet is in the foyer.

Also in preparation for VBS, we will not have a Sunday evening worship service on July 15th. Following the fellowship meal will be preparation and set-up for VBS.

“God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them.”

Hebrews 6:10