



My Guilt And Shame

Have you ever felt guilty about sinning against God? Afterward, were you filled with shame? How hard it is to cry out to God immediately after you realize you failed Him. The shame and guilt of sin may even make you not want to. Often, one thinks *“How can I talk to God after what I have just done?”* When faithful Christians fall, they fall hard, thinking *“How could I have committed sin against my God?”* The pain may be overbearing as you realize that you have missed the mark of walking faithfully before Him.

There are examples of people in the Bible who fell short of the God’s glory. Do you remember when David committed adultery with Bathsheba (2 Samuel 11, 12)? He didn’t think anything about his sin until God sent Nathan the prophet to accuse him (2 Samuel 12.1-7). Nathan told a parable about how a rich man took the only little lamb a poor man had and killed it to feed a traveler. It made David so mad that he stated, ***“As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die, and he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity”*** (2 Samuel 12.5). Then Nathan said, ***“You are the man!”*** Nathan told David the punishment that would incur because of his sin. David could say nothing but ***“I have sinned against the LORD.”***

But David didn’t stop with just acknowledging his sin. In Psalm 51, he pours out his heart to God pleading for forgiveness. David begged God to ***“Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin”*** (Psalm 51.2). He felt the guilt and the shame of what he had done. He cried out for God to create in him a clean heart and to renew a right spirit within him. David pleaded for God not to take His Holy Spirit from him. He wanted the joy of his salvation restored to him.



Have you ever felt so bad that you pleaded with God to wash you of your sin and create in you a new heart? Yes, you may feel tremendous guilt and shame after your sin, but letting it deter you from crying out to God is not the answer. David wanted a second chance, don’t you? David was ready to turn his heart over to God to become whatever God desired of him. Can you get to that point? Are you ready to submit to whatever God wants you to be? Are you ready to be totally submissive to the new heart God creates? Will you let God cleanse you of your guilt and shame and create a new heart, submissive to His will, within you?

Gary

The Indwelling Spirit

2 Timothy 1.13, 14

- 1) What do you know about the Holy Spirit?
- 2) Did you know that the Holy Spirit dwells within you?
- 3) Does the indwelling Spirit help us?

I) What Do We Know About The _____ ?

- A) The indwelling of the Spirit was given by _____ (2 Timothy 1.13, 14).
- B) When are we given the indwelling Spirit (Acts 2.38)?
- C) How does one _____ that he has _____ the Spirit?
- D) Why did God give us this _____ (Ephesians 4.30; Ephesians 1.13, 14)?

II) What Does The Indwelling Spirit _____ ?

- A) The indwelling Spirit puts the _____ of God in our _____ (Romans 5.5).
- B) Should the indwelling Spirit make a _____ in our _____ ?

III) _____ The Holy Spirit Indwell Me?

- A) The Holy Spirit indwells us through His _____ (Ephesians 6.17).
 - 1) The Word...
 - (a) _____ us (John 15.3).
 - (b) _____ us (John 17.17, 19).
 - (c) _____ in believers (I Thessalonians 2.13).
 - (d) _____ us (James 1.21).
 - 2) How do we produce the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5.22, 23)?
 - (a) What are the characteristics of the fruit of the Spirit?
 - (b) There can be no fruit without seed, and the seed is the _____ of _____ (Luke 8.11).
 - 3) Did God give us His Word then _____ us?
- B) What else does the Holy Spirit do for me?
 - 1) The Spirit helps me _____ (Romans 8.28).
 - 2) The Spirit helps me in _____ (Romans 8.26, 27).
 - 3) The Holy Spirit:
 - (a) Gives me _____ (Romans 15.13).
 - (b) _____ me (Ephesians 3.16).
 - (c) _____ within me (Ephesians 3.20, 21).

IV) How Do We _____ To God's Gift?

- A) We can choose to _____ the Holy Spirit (I Thessalonians 5.19; Ephesians 4.30; Hebrews 10.26, 29).
- B) We can treat the Spirit as a _____ guest.
 - 1) We can be _____ with the Spirit (Ephesians 5.18).
 - 2) The word "Spirit" is also the word for "_____."
- C) A word of _____.

Conclusion: Do you need the Holy Spirit to indwell you today?

C O N N E C T I O N

C *Good morning Western Hills family! Today we are continuing our series of articles highlighting the various ministries and opportunities to connect and get involved with each other in our work for the Lord. This week's featured ministry is our weekly Men's Bible Class.*

R
N - Les Keele

E "In addition to the Ladies' Bible Classes, Western Hills also has an active Men's Bible
R Class that meets every Tuesday morning at 10 AM in the church library. Attendance varies week to week, as men are welcomed to attend any week possible.

The class was inactive for a while a few years ago until Roger Omer, who had served our congregation as an elder, recognized a need and started the class up again. The class grew slowly, but with Roger's persistence and encouraging men to come, attendance began to grow. However, we lost our teacher when Roger relocated to Longview. Milt Birmingham, who also at one time had served Western Hills as an elder, picked up teaching or facilitating the class.

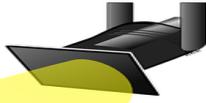
We are currently studying the book of Hebrews, using a video series by Mike Mazzalongo. Mike is a dedicated Bible scholar who has many such studies featured on the website, BibleTalk.tv. Past studies have included the books of Philippians, 1st & 2nd Peter, and Ephesians. Some topical studies have been 10 Steps to the New Spiritual You and 7 Habits of Effective Christians. We encourage sharing the facilitating/hosting of the class and welcome new participants in that role. The class provides a way for each of us to grow in a friendly, brotherly, pressure free environment.

We all enjoy the fellowship and encouragement of studying God's word and praying together. And, when the Ladies' Bible Class has luncheons, they graciously invite the men to share the meal with them. Now men, that's a real treat that you need to experience with us! So, don't delay, come join us at the Men's Bible Class on Tuesday mornings.

-- Milt Birmingham



This week's shut-ins spotlight shines on:



Please send them a note of encouragement or give them a call to let them know we still care.

Barbara Adams

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No calls or visits, Cards only please.

Charlie Beagle

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Burleson, Texas 76028

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Visits And Calls

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Dan Kille	817-793-7493
Chuck Meyer	682-553-5444
Tom Pauley	817- 370-5515
Ross Tomlinson	682-429-1983
John Walton	817-441-0000

*Shepherd of the month

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John Boudtaroth	817-891-2132
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David Birdow	972-310-1143
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Jay Garner	817-205-2070
Ben Meyer	817-673-8557
Robert Scott	817-246-0911
Matt Sloan	405-471-3404
Steve Taylor	817-291-2065
Buck Thomas	817-733-2620
Arthur Torrez	817-721-2726

MORNING WORSHIP (10 AM)

Welcome - Brandon Duncan

Song Leader - Jon Bartee

Song - I Know That My Redeemer Lives

Song - Let Me Live Close To Thee

Song - On Jordan's Stormy Banks

Prayer - James Riley Bowie

Scripture - 2 Timothy 1.13, 14

Song - Turn My Heart

Lord's Supper - Rob Donahue

Prayer for Contribution - Rob Donahue

Song - Just A Little Talk With Jesus

The Indwelling Spirit - Gary Williams

Song - Anywhere With Jesus

Announcements - Les Keele

Shepherd's Prayer & Dismissal - Tom Pauley

Our Code for Tithe.ly Giving



Attended Nursery: After communion, we have an attended nursery available for ages birth to 3 years and a mother's nursing room.

Single-side in-ear mono earbuds with personal receivers are available for those with hearing difficulties. Please see the sound booth at the back of the auditorium for assistance.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday, March 17

Numbers 25; John 7

Tuesday, March 18

Numbers 26; John 8

Wednesday, March 19

Numbers 27; John 9

Thursday, March 20

Numbers 28; John 10

Friday, March 21

Numbers 29; John 11

Saturday, March 22

Numbers 30; John 12

Sunday, March 23

Numbers 31; John 13

Last Week

Bible Class	143	Wednesday	92
Worship	207	Contribution	\$ 16,946.25
PM Worship	60	Budget	\$ 14,216.88

Times of Assemblies

Bible Class:	9:00 AM
Sunday Morning Worship:	10:00 AM
Sunday Evening Worship:	5:00 PM
Wednesday Evening:	7:00 PM

FAMILY PRAYER REQUESTS

NAME	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Greg Ball <small>3/7/2025</small>	He fell and broke his hand and had stitches in his forehead. 10725 Lipan Trail, Fort Worth, Texas 76108	Healing and safe trip
Betty White <small>3/2/2025</small>	She is at Encompass Health on Oakmont for rehab. She is in room 223A. 9609 Westpark, Benbrook, Texas 76126	Healing
Shirley Bennett <small>3/2/2025</small>	She is suffering from a broken rib. 4018 Ridglea Ctry Club. #508, Fort Worth, Texas 76126	Healing
Bob Willyerd <small>3/4/2025</small>	He is now home getting better. 3704 Guadalupe Road, Fort Worth, Texas 76116	Healing
Aaron Adkins <small>02/11/2025</small>	Had back surgery on February 21 and is doing very well. 204 Saddle Road, Fort Worth, Texas 76108	The doctors, rehab specialists, and good results
Nilath Kimlinh <small>02/09/2025</small>	Is traveling overseas to visit relatives February 16 until March 24. 4401 Buckeye Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76137	Safe travels and pleasant visits with family
Nancy Wright <small>02/10/2025</small>	Has returned to Stonegate. 8601 Cook Ranch Road, Apartment 350, Benbrook, Texas 76126	Healing and recovery
Betty Kille <small>1/16/2025</small>	Had her last chemo treatment before hopefully having surgery soon. 4112 Arroyo Trail, Fort Worth, Texas 76135	Healing and comfort
Patricia Emerson <small>02/05/2025</small>	Cancer has returned. 6536 Wooddale, Fort Worth, Texas 76148	Treatments and healing
Kham Intharansy <small>12/30/2024</small>	Had her fistula procedure on her right arm at THR Alliance on February 13. 7137 Bob Hanger Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76179	Healing, comfort, and best treatment
Makayla Johnston <small>2/24/2025</small>	Makayla is having health issues.	Comfort and healing

CONTINUE PRAYERS FOR: Our Shut-Ins and those fighting long-term issues: Patricia Neisler, Kennedy Hill, Kitti Davis, Mignon Bandy, Sue Carpenter, Nancy Wright, Chandra Mann, Bob Willyerd, Wanda Houston, Dwayne Beagle, Aubrey Hallum, Betty and Bill Baumann, Lillian and Charles Kite, Joe and Jody Gentry, Jacki Jaso, Betty Adams.

FRIENDS, FAMILY, AND NEIGHBORS PRAYER REQUESTS

NAME	REQUESTED	SITUATION	PRAYERS FOR
Jessica, Joey & Gianna, friends of	James & Cassie Bowie	Jessica & Joey had their baby Gianna. Gianna had surgery to reattach her small intestines and stomach. The doctors discovered Gianna has a rare brain disease.	Healing, strength, and answers about the brain disease. 3/9/2025
Nancy Daily, sister of	Carol Meyer	She will be having heart surgery March 19th.	Successful surgery and healing 3/4/2025
Ethyl Melendy	Chandra Mann	She fell and is bruised. Starting rehab.	Healing 3/4/2025
Beverly, cousin of	Linda DiRocco	She fell and fractured her hip.	Successful surgery 3/4/2025
Carolyn Davis & family	Janelle Ball	Curt, Carolyn's husband, passed away from cancer.	Comfort for his family as they face the days ahead 3/4/2025
John Blackstock, nephew of Nancy and Johnie Wright	Johnie Wright	John lives in Georgia. Doctor's removed his tonsils and the specimen required a biopsy. Additional surgery may be required in the future.	Please pray for good results and a clear biopsy 02/24/2024
Mitch Bennett, son of	Shirley Bennett	Had heart surgery on February 26 to repair an aneurysm.	Healing, recovery, and comfort 02/18/2025
Joey and Jessica, friends of	Riley and Cassie Bowie	Upon birth, the baby required immediate surgery and admittance to ICU.	Healing and recovery for the child so that they can welcome the child home; comfort for the family during stressful days 02/17/2025
John Saxton, cousin of	Adam Powers	Has had a relapse of his brain cancer.	Remission and healing 02/17/2025
Dorene Helton, sister-in-law of	Vickie Bowers	5th chemo is completed. The mass has not downsized and they are awaiting information on possible surgery or whether to continue with the chemo.	Healing to occur 02/17/2025
George, brother of	Betty Kille	Is recovering from brain surgery and he is in pain, very emotional, and confused.	Please pray for healing, recovery, peace and comfort 12/31/2024
Lisa Harriman		UPDATE: The most recent CT showed the treatment and many prayers are working to shrink the tumors and there is no evidence of any additional cancer cells. 400 North Tacoma Street, Farmington, Arkansas 72730	Please pray for upcoming surgery and continued treatments; strength, peace of mind 09/11/2024
Dad of	Russ Jones	Had a PET Scan and he has an aggressive form of prostate cancer. There will be 2 surgeries and then radiation	Good results 12/01/2024

LTC: No LTC this Week.

Senior Planning Meeting

We will have a meeting to plan the **Senior Sunday Dinner** on Sunday, March 23, following morning worship.

If you are interested in helping provide uniforms for Leonard Middle School Students, they need the following:

Girls' Adult Sizes: 12, 14, and 16

Boys' Adult Sizes: 32, 34, and 36 regular length
Black or Khaki pants and / or blue jeans.

You may leave all items in the office and we will get them to the coordinator.

Thank you.

Join our own David Birdow in "Walking Through The Scriptures" on **Youtube**. Simply search this title and you will be able to access his lessons. You will not be disappointed.

PLEASE NOTE:

THE SMALL GROUP THAT MEETS SUNDAY EVENINGS AT
5:00 PM AT THE BUILDING
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL ---
YOU MAY ENTER THE BUILDING AT **DOOR # 3**
WHICH IS LOCATED IN THE DRIVE THROUGH.

THANK YOU!

A big thank you from Western Hills High School's Cougar Corner. They appreciate all the tuna and chicken. We gave 356 cans of chicken and 374 of tuna. Our Church Family is the greatest.

Moving

Betty Adams will be moving to Ashwood Court, 7501 Glenview Dr. Room 163, North Richland Hills, 76180.

Tuesday Morning Luncheon

The **Tuesday morning bible classes** will have a luncheon this Tuesday March 18th following bible class. So bring your favorite dish to share and come enjoy the fun.



VBS

Anyone who wishes to participate in VBS is asked to see Buck or Holly Thomas to be assigned an area in which to serve.

Children's Church



If you are interested in teaching or helping with Children's Church in April or May, please see Vickie Bowers.

Member Information

Please welcome our new brother, Caleb Jones, who lives at 1705 Bureson Retta Road, Bureson, TX. He is the son of Russ Jones and was baptized during the first week of March.

We also want to welcome our new sister, Clara Boudreaux, who was baptized on March 6th. Her address is 4410 Mary's Creek Drive, Benbrook, TX. Additionally, Please make sure to update your directory. .

Sympathy



Peter Brown's mother passed away, and the family will be traveling.

Louise and Charles Beagle's daughter, Celeste Thomas, passed away on February 19th, 2025.

Prayers for them at this time of loss and for safe travels.

Spring Bling

Calling all members! We're excited to invite you to our upcoming workday **March 29**, dedicated to deep cleaning. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together and make a meaningful impact on our church's environment. We have a variety of tasks available—some light and some more intensive—so there's something for everyone. Let's join forces to create a beautiful and welcoming space for our community. Your participation will make a difference and enhance the warmth of our church. Come and be part of the fun!

March Celebrations

1 Stephen Myers

Children

2 John Larson

10 Boyce Miller

3 Beverly Forgey

16 Bella Gilbert

4 Jim Gilbert

24 Maddox Duncan

5 Russ Jones

26 Selah Garner

7 Adriana Torrez

27 Brenna Thomas

8 Charles Kite

11 Mike Whitacre

15 Janelle Ball

17 Amy Bartee

18 Bea House

Anniversaries

20 Steve Taylor

3 John and Auna Walton

58 Years

20 Paula Williams

21 Mark Musselman

14 Brandon and Jennifer Duncan

16 Years

22 Betsy Strother

22 Karen Taylor

23 Glenn Baird

25 Wayne and Beverly Lipham

29 Monty Bowers

3 Years