



Are You Tired Of Going To Church?

Have you ever grown weary of having to go to church every Sunday? Why do people stop enjoying assembling with other Christians to worship and praise God? The Barna Research Group states that a large percentage of people now see church as irrelevant. Why? I have heard all kinds of reasons people give for not going to church. Hypocrisy of church members is nearly always mentioned. But the apostle Paul said, ***“We all sin and fall short of the glory of God” (Romans 3.23).*** Some complain about the judgmental attitudes of “self-righteous” Christians. Or say, *“I just don’t get anything out of it.”* What can we do to create a desire to be in worship?

People go to church looking for God, we need to be sure that all feel His presence here. Through worship we should be experiencing growing closer to God; although, that seems to be a rare occurrence for many. We should be learning and growing in the grace and knowledge of Christ Jesus our Lord (2 Peter 3.18). Our love for one another should be felt by all; Jesus said that love is the identifying mark of those who follow Him (John 13.34, 35). One needs to firmly plant the concept in his/her mind that going to worship is an expression of your love for God and His people. I go to church because God loves me and sees me as His precious child whom He enjoys and treasures. I enjoy praising Him! When one has a great love for God, worship is always a blessing!

Gary

You Take That Back!

Psalm 139.1-4

- 1) Have you ever said something that hurt someone else's feelings and heard them say, "*You take that back!*"?
- 2) Did you know that the Bible teaches that the one who holds his tongue is wise (Proverbs 13.3)?
- 3) What we speak reveals what is truly in our hearts (Matthew 12.34, 35).
- 4) **Read James 3.1-12.**

These Words Show That The Tongue Can Be...

- I) _____ In Nature.**
- A) James use 3 metaphors to illustrate the malicious nature of the tongue.
 - B) The tongue is a _____ (James 3.6; Proverbs 16.27).
 - C) The tongue is a _____ (James 3.6; Romans 3.23).
 - D) The tongue is a _____ (3.7, 8; James 1.19, 26).

These Words Show That The Tongue Can Be...

- II) _____.**
- A) Four things with which God has equipped us as safeguards that will help us in "bridling" our speech.
 - B) 1st—How do we _____ about others (Matthew 7.12)?
 - C) 2nd—Did you know that we will be _____ for what we say (James 2.12; Matthew 12.34-36)?
 - D) 3rd—Do you _____ before you _____ (Proverbs 21.23)?
 - E) 4th—Do you speak _____ of others (James 4.1)?

These Words Show That The Tongue Can ...

- III) Accomplish _____.**
- A) How can I use my tongue to please God?
 - B) I can _____ the gospel (Mark 16.15).
 - C) I can _____ others (Proverbs 10.21; Ephesians 4.29).
 - D) I can _____ God (Hebrews 13.5; Colossians 3.16).
 - E) I can _____ to my Father (James 1.5; 5.16-18).

Conclusion: If you need to repent of sin in your life, it is our prayer that you will respond to the invitation and use your tongue to God's forgiveness!

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Today, I would like to present Gary & Lisa Williams for our feature.

As most of you know, Gary has been our pulpit minister here since November, 2017 following 20 years of ministry with the church in Tupelo, MS.

What you may not know is the "rest of the story" as Paul Harvey used to say. Not only can they feed us spiritually when Gary preaches and Lisa teaches ladies classes, but they both could feed us well physically, too, as both are gourmet quality cooks. Gary attended the renowned Culinary Institute of America and became a chef. He had managed an upscale restaurant and grew tired of the cooks "not knowing how to cook!" So, if you want something done right, do it yourself... and he did! He has worked at Nestle as a research and development chef as well.

Gary describes their meeting as "I went wife shopping," visiting various congregations. Then, at the 3th church he visited he saw Lisa "paying attention and taking notes during the sermon." They were introduced to each other by a couple of others playing matchmaker. They went on a date one night and every night thereafter until they were married a few months later. Years and 4 children later, Gary says he is just as entranced as that first sight of her.

Gary went to preaching school and earned a Masters in Ministry before his work in Tupelo and Lisa home-schooled the 4 children for their entire pre-college schooling. Lisa has also served as WH church secretary for the past several months except when helping care for her father.

For relaxation, Lisa enjoys reading and Gary likes to garden and landscape. Much of the care for the flower beds around the church building has been Gary "relaxing." I don't know about you but if Gary needs to reaaaally relax, I volunteer my yard!!

And now you know *some* of the rest of the story. Get the rest by trying a visit with Lisa & Gary.

Les Keele

Mackenzie Myers is Graduating! Sunday June 5, we will be celebrating our Senior with a Senior banquet. You can purchase tickets for the meal before and after services in the middle west foyer. Tickets are \$9 for adults, \$5 for kids under 12.



Congratulations to Eathan and Kim Porter, who were married May 6, 2022. Grandson of Carolyn Williams.

VBS Change of date: VBS will be June 26-29. Please save this to your calendar and plan to participate. Sign ups are in the foyer.

Youth Dinner and Devo; Sunday, May 22, 5pm. Education Building
Youth Mission Trip: July 16th-23rd



May 29th Sunday night service, We will be hosting a singing service with area congregations. Please plan to attend.

Sunday, May 29: Life of Christ Commentary Lessons 39 and 40; please read pages 367 - 376

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Grief Recovery - 6:30 PM in Room 107, Wednesday
Ladies' and Men's Class: Tuesday Mornings, 10:00 AM
Small Groups

SHEPHERDS

Greg Ball 214-801-7375
 Russ Bartee 817-938-5825
 Jay Crook 817-991-3162
 Dan Kille 817-793-7493
 Chuck Meyer 817-448-0060
 Tom Pauley 817-370-5515
 Ross Tomlinson 682-429-1983
 *John Walton 817-441-0000

**Shepherd of the Month*

MINISTERS

Gary Williams: 662-321-3208
Pulpit Minister
 Les Keele: 817-808-0566
Associate Minister
 James Bowie: 817-944-4492
Youth Minister
 John Boudtaroth: 817-891-2132
Laotian Minister
 Ken Intharansy: 817-501-6838
Laotian Minister

DEACONS

Jon Bartee: 817-889-2686
 James Bowie: 817-944-4492
 Brandon Duncan: 903-603-1059
 Jay Garner: 817-205-2070
 Doug Lowrey: 817-249-0238
 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 - Nathan Bowie

Song Leader - Alex Bartee

Song - A Beautiful Life

Song - I Know Whom I Have Believed

Prayer - Jay Garner

Scripture - Psalm 139.1-4

Song: The Old Rugged Cross

Communion - Tom Pauley

Dismiss children 3 years - Kindergarten to Children's Bible Time

Song - When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder

Do You Still Believe In Hell? - Gary Williams

Song - Do You Know My Jesus?

Prayer for the Contribution -

Song - When We All Get To Heaven

Announcements - John Walton

Shepherd's Prayer & Dismissal - John Walton

CONTRIBUTION: *No collection plates will be passed during worship service today. Instead we ask that you drop your contribution in one of the white boxes as you enter /exit the auditorium. You may also give online or mail your contributions to the building.*

CHILDREN'S BIBLE TIME: We offer a children's class on Sunday morning during the sermon for kids ages 3 years through Kindergarten. The song leader will dismiss the children at the appropriate time to be escorted to their class room. Bible Time room is in the east hallway.

Attended Nursery: After communion, we have an attended nursery available for ages birth to 3 years. There is also a cry room available if needed.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday, May 23

Job 5 - 8

Tuesday, May 24

Job 9 - 10

Wednesday, May 25

Job 11 - 14

Thursday, May 26

Job 15 - 18

Friday, May 27

Job 19 - 21

Saturday, May 28

Job 22 - 25

Sunday, May 29

Job 26 - 28

LAST WEEK

Bible Class:	119	Wednesday:	80
AM Worship:	190	Contribution:	\$ 10,186.50
PM Worship:	97	Budget:	\$ 14,193.04

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members

May 22, 2022

NAME	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Linda Cervas	May 19 she had surgery for a perforated colon and a hysterectomy. 9524 Summit Ct. W. Cleburne, Tx 76033	Complete healing
Steve Cervas	He resumed his treatment for bladder cancer. 9524 Summit Ct. W. Cleburne, Tx 76033	To be healed
Louise Beagle	She will be having an out patient procedure on June 2. 3916 Reagan Dr. Fort Worth, Texas 76116	Success and quick healing
Mary Bunch	She is making some major decisions. 209 Flaxseed Lane Fort Worth, Texas 76108	Wisdom in decision making
Patricia McGuyer	Pray her new medication solves her spleen issues. 3032 Whitetail Chase Dr. Fort Worth, TX 76108	Quick healing
Donna Brawley	Grieving the loss of her sister and wanting to restore her relationship with her own son. 8000 Calmont Avenue, Apt. #121, Fort Worth, TX 76116	Peace and comfort
Barbara Lowrey	She had shots in her back for pain that are not working. 921 Timberline Dr, Benbrook, Tx 76126	Comfort and relief from pain
Gary Baker	Has lost his father, his new wife, and now his mother. 5501 Dennis Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76114	Comfort and peace
MaKayla Johnston	She can't eat solid food yet or be around large crowds but is getting better. 108 Brock Hill Lane, Weatherford, TX 76088	Thanks to God that all has gone so well and that the healing will be quick and complete
Frankie Shelton	Is going to have a surgical procedure. She is having to wait for her bones to get stronger. 1200 Winscott Road, Unit B, Benbrook, TX 76126	Comfort and Relief
Cheryl Omer	Is in Colonial Gardens Memory Care of Fort Worth. 6939 River Park Circle, Fort Worth, TX 76116 She may have visitors at this time.	Healing, comfort, and peace for Roger and their children
Jodi & Joe Gentry	Is dealing with the day to day care and treatment of Jodi. 408 Rim Rock Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76108	For the Doctors to know how to help Jodi and Joe's strength, patience, and understanding
Wincie Neusse	Is waiting for more information from her doctors about the spot on her lung. 5537 Crosscreek Lane, #2096 Fort Worth, TX 76109	God's healing hand

PRAYER REQUESTS

Family & Friends

May 22, 2022

NAME	REQUESTED BY	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Margaret Ann Church, great grandbaby of	Aubrey & Yvonne Hallum	Their Great Grand baby is 2 months old and is in Cook's. The doctors are trying to figure out why she is sick.	Quick healing and good health
Chad Griffin friend of	LaRue Bow	Had an emergency spleen removal, heart valves put in, and now a port put in. He will be moving out of the ICU soon.	Quick healing and smooth recovery
Lily Grace Adams, great, great niece of	Les Keele	She was born 3lb 12oz. And is in the NICU in Oklahoma City.	To grow and be healthy
Bradley Padgett, friend of	Frankie Smith	Had heart surgery and is doing well. He is now home.	Successful recovery and prayers of thanksgiving.
Dempsey and her daughter, Chris, friend of	Betsy Strother	Dempsey has Alzheimer's and Chris is struggling with taking care of all the responsibilities.	Comfort, peace, assistance in caring for Dempsey
Gloria Wilson, friend of	Robin Stephan	Has recently lost her husband.	Comfort and ease of adjustment to living without him
Ricky, friend of	The Bows	Is a houseparent at Lubbock Children's Home, cottage 4, and is battling stage 4 colon cancer.	Strength and healing
Bubba Irvin, cousin to	Adam Powers	Is on dialysis and in need of a kidney transplant.	The transplant to happen soon
Shawn Kaba, friend of	Judy Vestal	Cancer has returned and is in stage 4.	God's hand of quick healing and comfort
Nephew of	Sharon Pippin	His wife is from Ukraine and her father preachers in Kieve, Ukraine.	Safety and peace for all in the country, especially the household of faith
Brothers and Sisters in Ukraine	Ladies' Bible class	The war is making people flee to other areas and other countries.	Protect and guide our Brothers and Sisters in Christ
Eldon McCoy, father of	Randy McCoy	Alva, his wife, passed away.	Peace and comfort for the family

MAY BIRTHDAYS

1	Arthur Torrez	21	Patsy Wiley
2	Tiam Bounmany	23	John Boudtaroth
2	Brenda Rodman	23	Sandy Edmonds
2	Gail Wilmington	23	Alice Guerrera
3	Kitti Davis		
3	Pat McGuyer		
5	Diann Clark		
5	Geoffrey Rodman		
7	Teddy Nantharath		
10	Becca Crook		
11	Dan Kille	4	Brady Meyer
12	Peggy Menzdorf	10	Harper Dekoker
13	Brittany Swan	15	Jaden Clay
14	Dahlia Cade	24	Ellie Sloan
21	Curtis Fisher	31	Kathryn Bartee
21	Sherry King		
21	Judy Vestal		

Children

A Continuation of Christ's Busy Day, Part 2:
Jesus Teaches in Parables
Looking into the Face of Jesus
The Life of Christ, 1: Pages 337-343, 348-354
Individual Study Guide: Lesson Plan 37

- 1.How did Jesus use parables?
- 2.Did Old Testament speakers use parables?
- 3.What is the meaning of the Greek word *parabole*?
- 4.What was Jesus' purpose for teaching in parables?
- 5.What is the meaning of the word "hermeneutics"?
- 6.What are two reasons why Jesus used parables?
- 7.How do parables reveal truth to the open-minded?
- 8.How do parables aid our understanding of spiritual concepts?
- 9.How do parables conceal truth from those who are close-minded?
- 10.What is the general procedure for interpreting parables?
- 11.Describe Jesus' use of "kingdom" parables.
- 12.What is the message taught in the parable of silent growth in Mark 4:26-29?
13. What were "tares"?
- 14.What is the message taught in the parable of the tares?
- 15.What is emphasized in the parable of the mustard seed?
- 16.As a rule, how is "leaven" used in the New Testament?
- 17.What is the message of the parable of the treasure and the pearl in Matthew 13:44-46?
- 18.What is the message taught in the parable of the dragnet in Matthew 13:47-53?
- 19.What did the Law allow for the Jew concerning eating fish?
- 20.Did Jesus' disciples fully understand the parables He taught?

A Continuation of Christ's Busy Day, Part 3: Jesus Teaches in Parables, 2

Looking into the Face of Jesus

The Life of Christ, 1: Pages 343-348; 354-363

Individual Study Guide: Lesson Plan 38

1. What parable is recorded in all three Synoptic Gospels?
2. Which parables provides a key to understanding parables in general?
3. What are the four kinds of soils in the parable of the sower?
4. What does each soil represent?
5. What message is taught in the parable of the sower?
6. What are the characteristics of the way-side soil?
7. What are the characteristics of the rocky soil?
8. What are the characteristics of the thorny soil?
9. What are the characteristics of the good soil?
10. What is the meaning of the phrasing "He who has ears, let him hear"?
11. What does the "seed" represent in the parable?
12. Which soil represents the hardened heart?
13. Which soil represents the shallow heart?
14. Which soil represents the divided heart?
15. Which soil represents the good heart?
16. How can good and honest hearts be identified?
17. What is the meaning of the phrase "to bear fruit"?
18. In what ways do Christians "bear fruit"?

A Continuation of Christ's Busy Day, Part 4: Jesus Stills the Storm

Looking into the Face of Jesus

The Life of Christ, 1: Pages 367-371

Individual Study Guide: Lesson Plan 39

1. What is an important theme found in the disciples' words in Mark 4:41?
2. Why did Jesus withdraw from Galilee?
3. Where is the "stern" located in a boat?
4. What is the meaning of "the cushion" in Mark 4:38?
5. To what was the Sea of Galilee subject?
6. The Sea of Galilee was how many feet below sea level?
7. What surrounded the Sea of Galilee?
8. What enabled Jesus to sleep through the storm?
9. How did Jesus calm the winds and the waves?
10. How quickly did the winds and waves subside?
11. What did the disciples cry out after Jesus had stilled the storm?

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**Jesus Cast Out More Demons:
Tell Me More About Them**
Looking into the Face of Jesus
The Life of Christ, 1: Pages 372-376
Individual Study Guide: Lesson Plan 40

1. What settled the "contradiction" between the country of the "Gerasenes" and "Gadarenes"?
2. How many demoniacs are mentioned in Matthew's Account?
3. Where did the demon-possessed men live?
4. How many demoniacs are focused on in Mark's and Luke's Accounts?
5. Where did the demons ask to be allowed to enter?
6. How many swine drowned in the sea?
7. Why did the people of Gerasene beg Jesus to leave?
8. What did Jesus instruct the man who had been healed to do?
9. What is the meaning of "Decapolis"?

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