



SING FOR JOY, O HEAVENS, AND EXULT, O EARTH; BREAK FORTH, O MOUNTAINS, INTO SINGING! FOR THE LORD HAS COMFORTED HIS PEOPLE AND WILL HAVE COMPASSION ON HIS AFFLICTED.”

ISAIAH 49:13

Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Tennessee
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Is God There?

When the most difficult moments of life come upon us, is God there? Does He care when we are overtaken with grief? When I was in elementary school, a little five-year-old boy from church was hit by a school bus and killed. His mother grieved for years and would often start crying in the middle of worship. Some questioned, *"Where was God? Why didn't He save little Eddie?"*

Many grieving souls, with sincere faith, struggle with these sorts of tragedies. Our souls agonize with those subjected to such great loss. How do we help them? In addition to being there and striving to comfort them, it is good to call to memory how much God loves us (John 3.16), and that He also experienced tremendous suffering and pain when His only Son was crucified by wicked men. God knows what we face in life and is there with us as we struggle. When we study our Bibles, we see many righteous and godly men who suffered death. James, the brother of John, was put to death by King Herod (Acts 12.2). Stephen was stoned to death by the Jews (Acts 7.59, 60). There's a great list of people who suffered and were put to death for their faith (Hebrews 11.36-38).

God is there! Stephen saw Jesus, standing at the right hand of God, filled with grave concern over what was happening to him (Acts 7.55). In our moments of intense pain, we often wonder *"Is God there?"* Just as God appeared to Elijah, He is there in a still, quiet voice (I Kings 19.12), comforting you as the God of all comfort (2 Corinthians 1.3). Our God promises to never leave us or forsake us (Heb. 13.5). God is always there! As Paul told the Thessalonians, *"Therefore encourage one another with these words"* (I Thessalonians 4.18).

God's Wonderful Grace

Ephesians 2.4-8

1. I am so thankful for God's Wonderful Grace.
2. Grace is a word that gives hope and comfort for one who realizes his/her unworthiness before God.
3. Grace covers all my imperfections.

God's Wonderful Grace...

I. Is Used In Many _____ Ways In The New Testament.

- A. One way the word "grace" is used in the NT means that which gives _____, _____, and _____.
 1. It is used this way in reference to our _____ (Luke 4.16-22).
 2. Our words are to give _____ to those who hear (Ephesians 4.29).
 3. How would you characterize your speech (Colossians 4.6)?
- B. The word "grace" is used to mean _____, _____, and _____ (Ephesians 2.4, 5).
- C. Grace can also refer to a _____ or condition in which one enjoys God's favor (Romans 5.1, 2).
- D. Grace is used as an expression of _____ for favor given (I Timothy 1.12).

II. Should _____ Every Child Of God.

- A. How should God's grace affect us?
 1. We are _____ by grace (Ephesians 2.4-8; Titus 3.3-7).
 2. Salvation is a _____ which God, in His loving-kindness, offers to man.
- B. God's grace required _____ (Titus 2.11-13).
- C. I am commanded to _____ in grace.
 1. I grow in the grace of God by heeding His _____ (Acts 20.32).
 2. I grow in the grace of God by drawing near to Him in _____ (Hebrews 4.16).
 3. Holy living requires God's grace (Philippians 2.12, 13; 4.13)
- D. I can receive God's grace in _____ (2 Corinthians 6.1).
 1. How?
 2. By continuing to live in _____.
 3. To receive grace in vain means that at one time we received the saving gospel of Jesus Christ, then _____ from God's grace by returning to live in sin.
 4. When we willfully sin and refuse to repent—then we _____ the Word of God (Hebrews 10.26-31).

Conclusion: Do you need God's grace in your life today?

CONNECTION

Good morning church family! Today's featured member for our connection corner is Pam Terrell.



Pam was born in Kansas but moved to Texas when she was in the 2nd grade. An interesting story, Pam's mother and Pam's grandparents were early settlers in Oklahoma, arriving there in a covered wagon, a true Oklahoma "Sooner!" Pam grew up in the Castleberry ISD school system where her mother taught for 20 years in Special Education. Pam liked the Castleberry system so much that when she had her 2 children, she moved to River Oaks to enable her kids to go to the same schools that she went to.

She stayed home with the children when they were young and then went to work for the University of North Texas Health Science Center in the President's office as his assistant. She retired from there after 10 years of service.

Pam loves to travel with her sister, with her favorite destination being Italy. She has visited Rome, Venice, Tuscany, Florence, Pompeii and the Isle of Capri and was deeply impressed with the beauty of the Sistine chapel and the painting of Michelangelo and many other wonderful sites.

She is an exercise buff, still going 3 miles a day on her treadmill. She has enjoyed exercise her whole life, even recalling to me how she used to put her children down for a nap and she would exercise with Jack LaLane on the TV.

Pam enjoys her fellowship time. She takes part with several ladies' groups that enjoy meeting and eating out together. She has enjoyed her church fellowships and also visiting with our W.H. shut-in members. I hope you can spend some time getting to know Pam and have a little more fellowship time!
Les Keele



Youth Mission Trip Presentation: Now that COVID has passed, James and the youth will present the work that was completed this past summer in Waverly, Tennessee on Sunday, August 28, at 5:00 PM.

Please come to see all the wonderful things James and Leah are doing with your children.

Tonight, after evening worship service we are going to have a Sandwich Supper. We will be honoring the newlyweds, Milt and Judy Birmingham AND showing our appreciation to Les and Deatra Keele as he is working as the Associate Minister. Bring sandwiches, chips, desserts or any personal specialties. Baskets for card/gift cards will be available if you would like to express your Thanks or give your Best Wishes.



Address Update: Stefani Sanchez has moved to 5525 Crosscreek Lane, Apt 2110, Benbrook, Texas 76109 and her phone number is 682-308-2203. Please update your directories.

August 31, 2022 Wednesday Night Summer Series

"The Pandemic: What I Learned About Myself, God & The Church"

Les Keele, Western Hills Church of Christ

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**Shepherd of the month*

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 Buck Thomas: 817-733-2620
 Arthur Torrez: 817-721-2726

MORNING WORSHIP (10 AM)

Welcome - Buck Thomas

Song Leader - Jon Bartee

Song - Higher Ground

Song - Paradise Valley

Prayer - Robert Scott

Scripture - Ephesians 2:4-8

Song - Listen To Our Hearts

Communion - James Bowie

Song - The New Song

God's Wonderful Grace - Gary Williams

Song - I Am Resolved

Prayer for the Contribution - James Bowie

Song - I'll Live In Glory

Announcements - Jay Crook

Shepherd's Prayer & Dismissal - Jay Crook

**Sunday, September 4: Life of Christ Commentary Vol. 2,
 Lessons 67 and 68 please read pages 76 - 90.**

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.

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 QR Code?
 Here is ours:
 Thank You!



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, August 29

Jeremiah 13 - 15

Tuesday, August 30

Jeremiah 16 - 18

Wednesday, August 31

Jeremiah 19 - 21

Thursday, September 1

Jeremiah 22 - 24

Friday, September 2

Jeremiah 25 - 27

Saturday, September 3

Jeremiah 28 - 30

Sunday, September 4

Jeremiah 31 - 33

Last Week

Bible Class:	128	Wednesday:	58
AM Worship:	233	Contribution:	\$ 14,626.27
PM Worship:	58	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

Fall Adult Classes:

Sunday Morning: Begins September 4th

Auditorium: Les Keele, Life of Christ

Young Adults/Young Families: Jay Crook & Jay Garner

Tuesday Morning: Begins September 13th 10:00 AM

Room 106: Ladies' Class, Paula Pauley, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd John

Library: Men's Class, Roger Omer

Wednesday Night: September 7th

Room 105 : Arthur Torrez & Les Keele, The Church Of The Bible

Room 106: Gary Williams, TBA

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members

August 28, 2022

NAME	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Guendee Torrez 08/24/2022	Tested positive for COVID. 567 Joy Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76108	Recovery and prayers no one else comes down with it
Kham Intharansy 08/24/2022	Has COVID. 7309 Gillis Johnson Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76179	Speedy recovery
René Johnston 08/22/2022	Will have surgery on September 1 to repair tears. 108 Brock Hill Lane, Weatherford, Texas 76088	Quick healing
Kathryn Sloan 08/18/2022	Has lupus and it has been flaring up and causing issues.	Health to improve
Stefani Sanchez 08/07/2022	Has been diagnosed with a brain aneurysm. 5525 Crosscreek Lane, Apartment 2110, Benbrook, Texas 76109	Guidance for the doctors and successful treatment
Cassidy Fisher 08/04/2022	Has consulted with doctors regarding her health issues and options of a scope. 1003 Bryant Street, Benbrook, Texas 76126	Answers and healing
Gloria Speak	Was in the hospital for three days. She is now at home feeling much better but still not feeling well.	Please pray for answers and healing
Louise Beagle 07/31/2022	Has pneumonia. 3916 Reagan Drive, Fort Worth, Texas, 76116	Healing
Polly McCarty 07/20/2022	Is now at Watermark at Broadway Cityview, Room 1204. 917 Willow Way, Benbrook, Texas 76126	Quick healing
Carolyn Williams	Recent tests indicate she has colon cancer. 8211 Llano Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas 76116	Strength, for doctors to choose the best treatment, peace and comfort
Michelle Glenn	Is now home and on the mend. 7516 Pear Tree Lane, Fort Worth, Texas 76133	Healing, pain relief
Wincie Neuse	Cancer has returned and her left diaphragm is Paralyzed. She is living with her sister at 5537 Crosscreek Lane, #2096 Fort Worth, TX, 76109	God's healing hand
Joe & Jodi Gentry	Jodi is dealing with emotional issues at this time. Please pray for Joe and Jodi.	Wisdom for the doctors knowing how to help Jodi, strength and patience for Joe
Barbara Lowrey 07/21/2022	Severe back pain. 921 Timberline Drive, Benbrook, Texas 76126	Healing and relief from pain
Cheryl Omer	Is in Colonial Gardens Memory Care of Fort Worth. 6939 River Park Circle, Fort Worth, Texas 76116	Healing, comfort, and peace for Roger and their children

PRAYER REQUESTS
Family & Friends
August 28, 2022

NAME	REQUESTED BY	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Jenna Adkins, daughter of Kendra Adkins	Amy Bartee	Jenna is 28 weeks pregnant and her water broke Wednesday, August 24.	Her ability to carry full term and for the baby to continue to develop 08/26/2022
Jane Wilson, mother of	Mindy Markum	Fell and did not have any broken bones but has deep bruising. She will be in Rehab at Encompas.	Quick healing 08/22/2022
Pat Davis, son-in-law of	Kathryn Sloan	Has an inoperable grapefruit sized cancer in his liver.	The doctors and for his peace 08/18/2022
Marty Tomlinson, son of,	Ross Tomlinson	Is in the hospital.	Healing 08/17/2022
Jon Williams, nephew of	Sandra Wade	Is in Dallas Methodist ICU at Oak Cliff after having had a liver stint put in then developing pneumonia. He is now on a ventilator.	Complete healing and recovery 08/11/2022
Sara Blackstock, sister of	Nancy Wright	Has been diagnosed with breast cancer.	Guidance and healing 07/2022
Kyla Anderson	Auna Walton	Has leukemia and is back in the hospital.	Healing 07/2022
Brandon, WBS student of	Paula Pauley	Is being bullied and intimidated in prison because of becoming a Christian.	Strength, increased faith, and prayers for his wife 07/2022
Sharon, sister of	Bob Willyerd	She and her fiancée, Jeffery, were in a motorcycle accident.	Quick healing 07/2022
Hazel (8) Rowan (3) Travis (5)	Adam Powers	Were in a severe car accident with their father.	Quick healing 07/2022
Jessica (Bouapraseth) Mills & husband	Katelynn Bolt	Lost their baby.	Comfort and peace 07/2022
Shane Grantham, brother-in-law of	Michael Davis	Has been diagnosed with cancer.	Quick healing 07/2022
Bubba Irving, cousin of	Adam Powers	Continues to be on kidney dialysis and has had a recent setback.	Kidney Transplant 07/2022
Morene Popchoke	Frankie Smith	Has been placed in hospice.	Comfort 07/2022
Cheyenne Hayden	Brandon Duncan	She is a former student of Brandon's and her 4 year old daughter is in need of a small bowel and liver transplant.	An available donor, the family of that donor, the doctors, nurses, and parents 06/26/2022

Happy September Birthdays

1 Bob Howard
2 Jennifer Duncan
4 Nancy Wright
5 Johnnie Wright
6 Michael Davis
7 Joe Garcia
8 Missy Moore
8 Thongleuane Siharath
9 Brianna Chakrathouk
10 Amber Grier
16 Isaias Torrez
16 Gracy Vazquez
17 Janelle Reynolds
18 Nathan Bowie
18 Jill Sloan
19 Sue Carpenter
19 Lee Ann Fisher
20 Judy Blair
20 Peter Brown
22 Kasie Muongnmvong
22 Mackenzie Myers
23 Frankie Smith
24 Brad Reynolds

25 Debbie Rollins
25 David Wilmington
26 Mary East
26 Roy Eubanks
26 Michael Lowrey
28 Jessica Boupraseuth Mills
29 Wray Grier
30 Robert Scott

CHILDREN

1 Lilah Bolt
15 Gavin Grier
25 Andrew Scott

Later Judean Ministry, Part 1:

Jesus Sends Out the Seventy and Who Is Your Neighbor?

Looking into the Face of Jesus The Life of Christ, 2:

Pages 68-75 Individual Study Guide: Lesson Plan 65

1. How long did the "Later Judean Ministry" of Jesus last?
2. How had Jesus identified Himself in John 10:11, 14?
3. What are some similarities between the Later Judean Ministry and the Great Galilean Ministry?
4. How did Jesus send out workers in the Judean ministry?
5. What was the basic message of the Judean mission?
6. To what did the reference to Satan's "fall from heaven" refer?
7. What authority had Christ given to the seventy?
8. What is the "book of life"?
9. How long was the Law in force?
10. What was the greatest commandment in the Law (Deuteronomy 6:5; Leviticus 19:18)?
11. Which Gospel is the only one to record "The Parable of the Good Samaritan"?
12. Describe the relationship between Jews and Samaritans.

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Later Judean Ministry, Part 2:

Jesus and Two Meals

Looking into the Face of Jesus The Life of Christ, 2

Pages 75, 76, 85-88 Individual Study Guide: Lesson Plan 66

1. What was the name of the village in which Mary and Martha lived?
2. How were Mary, Martha, and Lazarus related?
3. Who was busy preparing a feast as Jesus arrived at the home of Mary, Martha, and Lazarus?
4. Who sat at Jesus' feet "listening to His word"?
5. What did Jesus mean when He said "only one thing is necessary"?
6. Why is developing priorities so important?
7. Why would a Pharisee ask Jesus to have lunch with him?
8. Why would Jesus accept the invitation to eat with a Pharisee?
9. What does the Greek word baptizō mean?
10. Contrast internal and external cleanliness.
11. What is the meaning of the phrase "the key of knowledge" in Luke 11:52?
12. Who were the so-called "experts in the law"?

Later Judean Ministry, Part 3:

Teach Us How to Pray

Looking into the Face of Jesus The Life of Christ, 2:

Pages 76-85 Individual Study Guide: Lesson Plan 67

1. How common was it for Jewish teachers to teach their disciples how to pray?
2. What does the wording differences in the Model Prayer recorded in Luke 11:2–4 and Matthew 6:9–13 indicate?
3. Explain the value of prayer.
4. How important is being persistent in prayer?
5. Describe the importance of honoring and glorifying God in prayer.
6. When did the establishment of the Messiah's kingdom take place?
7. Who is the source of all our blessings?
8. What two things will destroy a Christian's happiness and usefulness?
9. In what sense does the Model Prayer cover all of life?
10. What is the literal meaning of the Greek word *anaideia*?
11. What is the message taught in the parable of the persistent host?
12. What is the importance of prayer coming from our hearts?
13. Is it always right to ask God for what He has already promised?
14. Does God answer every prayer?

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Later Judean Ministry, Part 4:

Beware of the Pharisees

Looking into the Face of Jesus The Life of Christ, 2:
Pages 88-90 Individual Study Guide: Lesson Plan 68

1. What warning does Jesus give in Luke 12:1–12?
2. What is the meaning of the phrase “Under these circumstances” in the NASB?
3. What was the “leaven of the Pharisees”?
4. How did the Pharisees deal with their iniquity?
5. What did Jesus urge His listeners to do when dealing with the Pharisees?
6. What is the importance of disciples boldly proclaiming their faith and trusting in God?

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