

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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TICKS AND SIN

Ever had a tick on you? Ticks are small blood sucking mites. They spend a good bit of time just waiting in bushes, grass and woods for a victim—you! Once you happen by, they jump on and attempt to quickly crawl to a protected spot on your body. Then they sink their mouth parts into your flesh and begin to feed on life blood. If undetected, a tick will fill itself full and then drop off, often leaving its host inoculated with some debilitating disease such as spotted fever, relapsing fever, Lyme disease, tularemia, encephalitis or rickets. The tick is a lot like many kinds of sin:

It may get on you when it is small and almost undetectable. It doesn't demand much sacrifice, but it may cause a little irritation. Once embedded, it's hard to get off. It gets bigger the longer it stays on you. It leaves you very seriously ill.

Some advice for dealing with ticks and sins:

- ♦ DON'T WALK IN PLACES THAT ARE INFESTED. *"See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise..."* (Ephesians 5:15)
- ♦ EXAMINE YOURSELF DAILY. *"Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith."* (2 Corinthians 13:5)
- ♦ HAVE OTHERS EXAMINE YOU, AND HELP EXAMINE THEM TOO. *"But exhort one another daily, while it is called 'Today', lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin."* (Hebrews 3:13).
- ♦ IF ONE GETS ON YOU, GET IT OFF IMMEDIATELY. *"Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed."* (James 5:16).
- ♦ IF YOU REALIZE YOU ARE GETTING SICK, SEE THE DOCTOR. Jesus said, *"Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance."* (Mark 2:17).

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PRISON MINISTRY

Join in the Work!

We now have **362** Inmate Students. They all need encouragement letters from the church. We need World Bible School Bibles (\$5.00 ea) to send them. We have form letters or you can write your own. We have a few that only speak/read Spanish. There are specific guidelines we have to utilize in corresponding with the inmates. Let David Camp know and he will get you involved.



SCAN ME

*Scan the QR code to download 2023 Hurricane & Severe Weather Guide

Please be Praying for...

PRAYER NEEDS & REQUESTS: Our Country & Our National Leaders be guided by God; Ann McKinney (Tammy Imel mother) is hospitalized heart issues; Jess Williams (Nancy Barton's son-in-law) who has cancer had a stroke & other issues were discovered that require surgery; Carolyn Sparks & Marion Hood (Shannon Burke's mother & aunt) lost their home to fire 5/23; Glenda Peters is having health issues; David Camp is recovering from knee replacement; Sherri Moody, PALS Teacher & friend of many has been very ill & need our prayers; Susan Williams is having "bone healing" issues; Debbie Clark (Sonoma O'Bannon's cousin) thanksgiving prayers for good test results—"No Cancer"; Dennis Gray is dealing with health issues; Sympathy to Family & Friends of Bea Erwin (Sonoma O'Bannon, friend) after many health issues Bea passed 5/30th; George & Karen Reyez (Dale Guillory friends); Joe Skinner, (Gerald Starns friend) is now walking with walker; Robert Gordon (Sanoma's cousin) is now in assisted living & not doing very well; Lisa Fowler (Gerald Starns niece) who was recently baptized, recovered from 2 aneurysms but has lupus; The people of Ukraine; Hillary Harrison (Tim Culp's cousin) is on wait list for double lung transplant; Janet Skinner, Noreen Rock, Karen Green, Martha Hayes, Steve & Kathy Franz, (friends of Gerald Starns); Inmates of our Prison Ministry who have asked for our prayers. We have responded to **362** inmate requests for Bibles & Study Material; Resolve to "turn your face" toward Jesus; Be rich toward God; Delight yourself in the Lord; Jesus said, "Do you love me?"; Earnestly seek our God!; Come, great is the Lord and most worthy of our praise; Be an Andrew & Bring Someone to Jesus; Share the Gospel of Jesus; Answer the Lord's Invitation—"Come"; Remember God is in Control; Pray Without Ceasing for Each Other; Building Program; Serve Others; Love Our Neighbor; Deny Self and not be Mere Human; Love! Church; Breathe the Spirit of God; Excitement & Enthusiasm for the Lord; That We Know God's Word & Live It & Put it into Practice; Us as we strive to be better Servants for the Lord, Share Our Lord, Love one another, Strengthen one another, Forgive one another.

CONTINUAL PRAYER: Adair Family; Eileen Adair; Kristen Adair; Gene Barton; Diane Bowman (Tammy Imel friend); Donna Bomfalk (Erin Burke friend); Carole Broyles; Gina Branstetter; Jimmy Burke; Patsy Camp; Danny Culp (Tim Culp's father); Louise Friday; Pat & Hugh Fletcher; Edna Earl Goodman; Deavyn Gordon; Dale Guillory; Nalin Hayter; Leslie Hoffman; Pat Jackson & Norma McBride (friends of Peggy Burke); Glenda Peters; Bernice Reed; Brandon Reed; Kenny Reed; Robert Reed; Mike Reed; Mike Ritter; Jared Robertson (friend of Scott Burke); Bobby Rowan; Cindy Russell (Gina Branstetter friend); Johnny Salas; Curtis Salter; Andrew Shirley (Scott and Erin's Son-in-law); Stephen & Mary Ann Smith; Jim & Linda Thomason; Lara Tucker (Niece of Nancy Barton); Karl Vinson; Sheri & Bruce Williams (Dale Guillory's Sister); Susan Williams; Cathy York (Mother of Erin Burke)

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE WHO HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER:

Lori Bailey; Richard Cardenas (Bernice Reed son-in-law); Lisa Cunningham (Erin Burke friend); Tom McCulley (Bradley Burke's Great Grandfather); Ronnie Hock (brother-in-law of Rebeca Holifield); Kalle, friend of Gerald Starns; Mother of Mrs. Farris (Gina Branstetter friend); Brenda Rowan (Peggy Burke sister-in-law); Gerald Starns; Jess Williams (Nancy Barton son-in-law).

5 STEPS TO A BETTER MARRIAGE—House to House

ACCEPT EACH OTHER: When I walk on the beach to watch the sunset I do not call out, "A little more orange over to the right, please," or "Would you mind giving us less purple in the back?" No, I enjoy the always-different sunsets as they are. We do well to do the same with people we love (Carl Rogers). *"Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof: and the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit"* Ecclesiastes 7:8.

WATCH FOR BEETLES: A mighty tree stood high upon the mountain. It survived the hail, the heavy snows, the storms, the bitter cold of many years. Then finally it was felled by an attack of little beetles. And so it is with marriage. Solomon warned us to avoid the little foxes that *"spoil the vines"* Song of Solomon 2:15.

ACT, DON'T REACT: A marriage is like a long trip in a tiny rowboat: if one passenger starts to rock the boat, the other has to steady it; otherwise, they will go to the bottom together (David Robert Reuben). The Bible says, *"consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works"* Hebrews 10:24.

WORK AT IT: "And they lived happily ever after" is one of the most tragic sentences in literature. It tells a falsehood about life and has led countless generations of people to expect something from human existence that is not possible on this fragile, failing, imperfect earth (Joshua Loth Liebman). *"...comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do"* 1 Thessalonians 5:11.

TAKE TIME FOR EACH OTHER: Guard against over-commitment. Even worthwhile and enjoyable activities become damaging when they consume the last ounce of energy or the remaining free moments in the day (James Dobson). *"Let thy fountain be blessed: and rejoice with the wife of thy youth"* Proverbs 5:18.

"A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones." Proverbs 17:22 NIV

"I will put My Spirit within you and you will come to life..." Ezekiel 37:14

Are We

Reading Our Bible Every Day!

Daily Bible Reading
Jun 4—Jun 10

Sunday 4	am	II Chron 13-16
	pm	John 14
Monday 5	am	II Chron 17-19
	pm	John 15
Tuesday 6	am	II Chron 20-22
	pm	John 16:1-15
Wednesday 7	am	II Chron 23-25
	pm	John 16:16-33
Thursday 8	pm	II Chron 26-28
	pm	John 17
Friday 9	am	II Chron 29-31
	pm	John 18:1-23
Saturday 10	am	II Chron 32-33
	pm	John 18:24-40



Through the Bible in a year

GOOD REASONS to Read the Bible: 1. You can find answers (I Pet 3:15) 2. God commanded it (2 Tim 2:15; John 5:39; I Pet 2:2) 3. Ignorance is not excused (Acts 17:30) 4. Ignorance destroys (Hosea 4:6) 5. Ignorance causes church problems (Ro 16:17-18) 6. You can make good decisions (Psalm 119:105) 7. It keeps us from sin (Psalm 119:11).



PILLOW MIINISTRY

On 5/22/23, our Ladies delivered 2 pillows for men, 2 for women & 4 neck pillows to Serenity Gardens-Memory Care on East Blvd. They were greatly appreciated.



Come join Ladies Class & Pillow Ministry on Tuesday's 9:00 to 11:30am.

Boost Your Budget by Missing Worship?

If you miss worship on the first day of week does that mean your pocket has a little extra in it to spend the rest of the week? If you answer yes, you have the wrong answer. Giving as we have been prospered means exactly that – giving as we have been prospered; not giving as long as we show up to worship! If we miss worship one week, but we prospered that week, then a portion of our prosperity from that week still belongs to God. And to deny that is to deny God (1 Corinthians 16:2, 2 Corinthians 9:6-11).

Eugene Adkins
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Eileen Adair	1
James Adair	5
Gina Branstetter	7
Adrian Burke	9
Jolie Burke	9
Glenda Peters	17
Dennis Gray	28



Jimmy & Peggy Burke	2
Gene & Nancy Barton	7
Chad & Shannon Burke	17
Billy & Gloria O'Bannon	17



REALLY NEED PANTRY HELP:
Canned Chicken,
Rice, Ravioli & SpaghettiOs,
Peanut Butter & Jelly,
Ramon Noodles

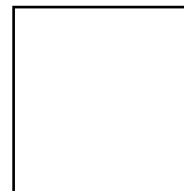
How do I become a Christian?

Hear the Word: Matt 7:24-28, Luke 6:47-49, John 6:45, John 14:15, Romans 10:13-17
Believe the Word: Mark 16:16, John 3:16, 20:31, Acts 16:31, Hebrews 11:6, James 2:24
Repent of your sins: Luke 13:3-5, 15:7, Acts 2:37-38, 17:30, 26:20
Confess Jesus to others: Matt 10:32-33, Romans 10:9-10, I Timothy 6:12
Be Baptized in the name of Jesus for salvation (immersed in water as a believer): Mark 16:16, Acts 2:37-38, Romans 6:3-5, 1 Peter 3:21
Why do you delay? Acts 22:16
Live Faithfully: Romans 12:1-2, I Corinthians 10:12, Titus 2:11-14, 2 Peter 1:5-11, I John 1:7, Revelation 2:10

"Delight yourself also in the Lord, and He shall give you the desires of your heart." Psalm 37:4



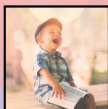
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Meet With Us

Sunday Morning

Coffee & Donut Fellowship	9:00am
Bible Class	9:30am
Morning Worship	10:30am

Children's Bible Hour offered for
3yrs to 3rd grade during Morning Worship.

Wednesday Evening

Bible Class	6:30PM
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Service this Week:

June 4, 2023

Coffee & Donut Fellowship 9:00am
Bible Class 9:30am
Worship 10:30am

Song Leader: **Tim Culp**

Scripture Reading & Prayer:
Genesis 1:1-5

Prayers & Thoughts for the Lord's Supper:

Sermon: **"The First 7 Days"**
Dr. Justin Imel

Closing Payer:
Jimmy Burke

Greeter **Tammy Adair**
Communion Prep: **Patsy Camp**
Livestreaming: **R.J. Imel**

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REMEMBER WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: I am blessed to be with brethren. I am blessed to serve. I am blessed to learn from others. I am blessed to hear the Word of Life. I am blessed to remember what's important. I am blessed to recharge my spirit. I am blessed to correct my life. We look forward to seeing you Wednesday!