

# Church of Christ

## Deer Park

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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### An Angry Death

Last month an ugly and tragic incident played out on a racetrack as a young driver named Kevin Ward, Jr. lost his life. This particular driver had apparently been driven into a wall by another driver during the race. Video of the event then shows Ward exiting his car and walking into oncoming traffic in order to confront the other driver. Several cars pass him by until finally the one he was looking for approaches. As it does, Ward walks farther onto the track pointing and gesturing at the other driver. Then, he is struck by the passing car and lies motionless on the ground. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

What caused this horrible tragedy? If we listen to social media and sports anchors, opinions vary. But if we listen to God, I think there is one cause for the events on the racetrack that night. It is one of the most dangerous diseases a person can succumb to. That sickness is anger. Anger has been an issue for mankind since the days of Cain and his vicious attack on his brother. I think it will do us all good to take a moment and examine this heartbreaking story with a goal of learning the dangers of anger.

First, anger can come upon us quickly. The entire video of the racetrack events takes less than two minutes to watch. In those two minutes, anger delivers its devastating blow on two men. Next, anger makes us do things we would normally not do. No rational human being is going to play a game of chicken with multiple cars on a racetrack, let alone doing so on foot. Yet this video clearly shows a man who had lost all sense of reason. Rationality is the first victim when one loses their temper. Once a human is driven by his or her emotions, sin is the usual destination. Finally, anger often comes with horrific consequences. Kevin Ward, Jr. was 20 years old when his life came to an end. If we were somehow able to speak to him today, I wonder if this 20-year-old man with dreams and aspirations for his future would tell us that his death was worth his moment of anger.

Something tells me he would do things differently if he had them to do all over again. Something tells me that he would regain his composure in that moment of anger. He would wait for personnel to get to his side and then exit his vehicle. He would go home to his friends and family like he had done so often after a race. Most importantly, he would wake up the next day with another chance at life. Let us never forget how devastating anger can be. Let us never underestimate the power it can have over our lives. May we always seek to control our tempers so that we never have to deal with the consequences that so often come after an angry outburst.

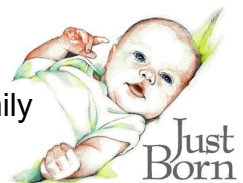
Walter Rayburn  
Owl Hollow Church of Christ  
Winchester, TN

Congratulations to the Miller Family

**BOWEN WES MILLER**  
was born Sunday, January 21, 2024.

Bowen weighed in at 7lbs 2oz.

He is the great grandson  
of Mary Miller,  
Son of Brannndon & Alyssa Miller and  
Grandson of Matt Miller.



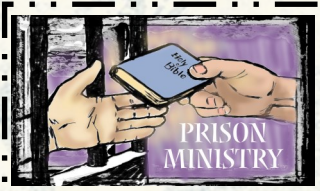
# Please be Praying for...

Our Country & Our National Leaders look to & be guided by God; The people of Israel; The people of Ukraine; Sam Allen is out of the hospital & back home; Bob Gordon (Sonoma's cousin) diagnosed with blood cancer. His sister is a match they will undergo stem cell transplant soon—Bob is very sick; Eileen Adair had her last auto immune therapy & chemo treatments 1/17 & is feeling pretty good & has several eye appts before surgery on other lung; Gene Barton (Nancy's husband) is undergoing tests; Jess Williams (Nancy Barton son-in-law) will have a mass removed from his neck 1/31/24; Andrew Shirley (Scott & Erin Burke Son-in-law) heart issues; Courtney Gunn (Mary Miller granddaughter) tests turned out very well; Students, Family & Faculty at Tammy Imel's school—a child died in an accidental gun incident; Tammy Adair back issues are a little better; Michelle Koctar, broke her wrist & is undergoing therapy ("sad face"—no cake baking for a while); Cheryl McKinney (Tammy Imel sister-in-law) underwent successful benign brain surgery this week & the pain in her face is better; Peggy Burke therapy for hip muscle issues; Jimmy Burke therapy for low back pain; George & Karen Reyez (Dale Guillory friends); Inmates of our Prison Ministry. We have responded to **568** inmate requests for Bibles & Study Material. Many are very grateful, participate in Bible Study Groups and ask for our prayers; Let Your Light Shine; FEAR GOD! Practice your Christianity Daily; Be THANKFUL for our MANY BLESSINGS; You must hear The Word to be saved—DEVOUR THE WORD; Hunger for God's Word & read it Daily; Keep Your Eyes on Heaven; Love Our Neighbor; Be rich toward God; Actions Speak Louder; Jesus said, "Do you love me?"; Earnestly seek our God!; Come, great is the Lord and most worthy of our praise; Share the Gospel of Jesus; Remember God is in Control; Pray Without Ceasing for Each Other; Building Program; Serve Others; 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.

**CONTINUAL PRAYER:** Adair Family; Gene Barton; Diane Bowman (Tammy Imel friend); Donna Bomfalk (Erin Burke friend); Gina Branstetter; Carole Broyles; Sandra Burke (Jimmy & Peggy sister-in-law); David & Patsy Camp; Debbie Clark (Sonoma O'Bannon's cousin); Deanna & Norman Cox (Carole Broyles sister & brother-in-law); Dennis & Mary Gray; Louise Friday; Pat & Hugh Fletcher; Edna Earl Goodman; Deavyn Gordon; Robert Gordon (Sonoma's cousin); Dale Guillory; Nalin Hayter; Myra Higgins and her granddaughters-Alysa & Samantha Higgins; Leslie Hoffman; Pat Jackson & Norma McBride (Peggy Burke friends); Ann McKinney (Tammy Imel mother); Sherri Moody PALS Teacher & friend of many; Glenda Peters; Bernice Reed; Brandon Reed; Kenny Reed; Robert Reed; Mike Reed; Mike Ritter; Bobby Rowan; Cindy Russell (Gina Branstetter friend); Johnny Salas; Carolyn Sparks & Marion Hood (Shannon Burke's mother & aunt); Stephen & Mary Ann Smith; Jim & Linda Thomason; Lara Tucker (Nancy Barton niece), Sheri & Bruce Williams (Dale Guillory's sister); Susan Williams, Karl Vinson

**PLEASE REMEMBER THESE WHO HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER:**

Eileen Adair; Lori Bailey; Richard Cardenas (Bernice Reed son-in-law); Lisa Cunningham (Erin Burke friend); Bob Gordon (Sonoma's cousin); Tom McCulley (Bradley Burke's great grandfather); Mother of Mrs. Farris (Gina Branstetter friend); Brenda Rowan (Peggy Burke sister-in-law); Jess Williams (Nancy Barton son-in-law).



**PRISON MINISTRY**  
Join in the Work!

We now have **568** Inmate Students. We send the World Bible School Bibles with all the lessons included & the price for them has gone up from \$5.00 to \$7.95. We have a few that only speak/read Spanish. There are specific County guidelines we have to adhere to in corresponding with the inmates. Some Counties are digitalizing all correspondence which eliminated Bible receipt, so our effort has been greatly curtailed. BUT A FEW BIBLES are still getting to the inmates at some locations. Let David Camp know if you want to help buy Bibles.



Linda Thomason 12



Jason & Rena' Cable 8th  
Otis & Kay Riggs 18th

# Are We Reading Our Bible Every Day?

## Daily Bible Reading

Jan 28—Feb 3

Sun 28	am	Exodus 16-18
	pm	Matthew 19:16-30
Mon 29	am	Exodus 19-21
	pm	Matthew 20:1-16
Tues 30	am	Exodus 22-24
	pm	Matthew 20:17-34
Wed 31	am	Exodus 25-26
	pm	Matthew 21:1-22
Thurs 1	pm	Exodus 27-28
	pm	Matthew 21:23-46
Fri 2	am	Exodus 29-30
	pm	Matthew 22:1-22
Sat 3	am	Exodus 31-33
	pm	Matthew 22:23-46



Through the Bible in a year



## GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE

### Why must you know your Bible?

1. To have everlasting life. (John 17:3). With regards to the words of Jesus, the Bible is the only source of the perfect, saving knowledge of God and Christ.
2. To know the greatest book ever written. The Bible is the greatest book because God is the author. There were 40 writers but one author. "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God" (2 Timothy 3:16).
3. To know who you are. The Bible tells us our origin, purpose, and destiny (Genesis 1:26-27; 2:7).
4. To be saved from sin. The Bible answers the world's greatest question, "What must I do to be saved?" The gospel is the power of God unto salvation (Romans 1:16).
5. To identify the church of the Lord and know its importance. Christ has one body (the church, Ephesians 4:4) and Christ is the head of the body (Ephesians 1:22-23).
6. To find the Christian way of life, worship, and service. The inspired word teaches us that "denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age" (Titus 2:12).
7. To reach the highest goal: "The prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 3:14). — Frank Dunn, HTHHTH

*"For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing."*

2 Timothy 4:6-8

## TRUCK ROUTE MARCH 13-14, 2024



### Supplies Requested:

Baby Wipes  
Pamper Pull Ups  
Size 6  
Comet Cleaner  
Pinto Beans

Box at Front Door

### 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, 1 Timothy 6:12

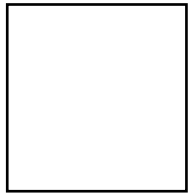
**Be Baptized in the name of Jesus for salvation (immersed in water as a believer):** Mark 16:16, Acts 2:37-38, Romans 6:3-5, 1 Peter 3:21

**Why do you delay?** Acts 22:16

**Live Faithfully:** Romans 12:1-2, 1 Corinthians 10:12, Titus 2:11-14, 2 Peter 1:5-11, 1 John 1:7, Revelation 2:10



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*Happy  
New  
Year!*

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*Invites you to join us in Worship!*

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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

**Service this Week:**

January 28, 2024

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

Song Leader: **Dennis Gray**

Scripture Reading & Prayer:  
**Deuteronomy 18:15-19**

Prayers & Thoughts for the Lord's Supper:

Sermon: "Listen"  
**Dr. Justin Imel**

Closing Payer:  
**Jimmy Burke**

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

Stay tuned to our One Call Now Messages, Email Messages, Everything happening on Facebook Page: Church of Christ Deer Park, Texas & our Web Site: [dpcofc.org](http://dpcofc.org)



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!