

Church of Christ

Deer Park

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Sold Himself to Evil

Justin Imel

The author of Kings gives an absolutely pathetic description of King Ahab: "There was none who sold himself to do what was evil in the sight of the LORD like Ahab, whom Jezebel his wife incited. He acted very abominably in going after idols, as the Amorites had done, whom the LORD cast out before the people of Israel" (1 Ki 21:25-26). Ahab loved his idols and despised the God of his people. Ahab's sin was so great that the inspired record said that no one followed Satan's way more fully and more completely as Ahab did.

Why would a king whom Yahweh had placed over his people reject the word of the living God and follow lifeless idols? The answer is simple and said: "Jezebel his wife incited" him. What might Ahab have been had he only made a better choice in a mate? Perhaps we would remember his steadfast devotion to God like we do David's. Maybe we would remember his heart of faith like we do Hezekiah's. Or we might even remember his reforms like we do Josiah's. But none of that was possible because Ahab chose to marry Jezebel and because Ahab freely followed her provocations.

Ahab was fully responsible for his own sins; Jesus said, "*They have no excuse for their sin*" (Jn 15:22). No one can blame someone else for his sins, but each person is responsible for his own behavior. However, Ahab's poor choice in marriage led him to poor choices in his life.

You see, those with whom you associate can influence you. Under inspiration, Paul quoted an ancient comedy and said, "*Bad company ruins good morals*" (1 Cor 15:33). When you have a choice not to associate with evil company, you must make wise choices, or you might sell yourself to do evil in the sight of the Lord.

However, you cannot always choose your company. You can't choose your coworkers or your neighbors or the folks at the gym or the grocery store or the doctor's office or a myriad of other places you might visit. In those cases, you must not allow yourself to be led into evil. Instead, you must be the light. That's precisely what Jesus expects of you: "*You are the light of the world. . . . Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven*" (Matt 5:14, 16). Go shine for Jesus today.

Please be Praying for...

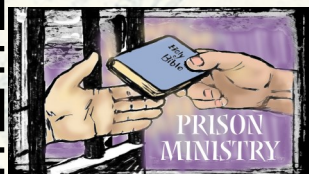
Our Country & Our National Leaders look to & be guided by God; The people of Israel; The people of Ukraine; Sam Allen is having more testing; Copper Kimbrough (Avery Cable Kimbrough husband) has had unresolved health issues since Christmas & was in ER 14th & will have further testing; Bernice Mobley (Camp's daughter's mother-in-law) was hospitalized with heart issues and fell 2/1; Bob Gordon (Sonoma's cousin) diagnosed with blood cancer. His sister, Becky, had the stem cells harvested successfully 2/14th & Bob received the transplant 2/16th.

He will be hospitalized another month then live close by hospital another month to receive chemo. Wife now has apartment in Nashville to be close to Bob; Eileen Adair PET scan showed no cancer in the one treated lung and has to gain weight before surgery on other lung; Gene Barton (Nancy's husband) is dealing with an infection awaiting test results; Jess Williams (Nancy Barton son-in-law) had a mass removed from his neck 1/31/24 & it was non-malignant-PRAYERS ANSWERED!; Andrew Shirley (Scott & Erin Burke Son-in-law) heart issues; 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); 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 **574** 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; Listen; 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

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); David Israel (Justin Imel friend); 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 **574** 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.



Nancy Barton	6
Audrey Cable	8
Stephen Smith	16



Scott & Erin Burke 14th

Are We Reading Our Bible Every Day?

Daily Bible Reading Feb 25—Mar 2

Sun 25	am	Numbers 14-15
	pm	Mark 6:1-32
Mon 26	am	Numbers 16-17
	pm	Mark 6:33-56
Tues 27	am	Numbers 18-20
	pm	Mark 7:1-13
Wed 28	am	Numbers 21-22
	pm	Mark 7:14-37
Thurs 29	pm	Numbers 23-25
	pm	Mark 8:1-21
Fri 1	am	Numbers 26-27
	pm	Mark 8:22-38
Sat 2	am	Numbers 28-29
	pm	Mark 9:1-29



Through the Bible in a year

LADIES' CLASS & PILLOW MINISTRY

Meets every Tuesday
9:00 till 11:30
Come out and help cut hose & Devo &

PILLOW MINISTRY
Delivered (All in the name of Jesus)
15 Men & 15 Women Comfy Pillows
to Texas Oncology
last week



THE BIBLE on One Page by House to House

Chronologically, the Old Testament ends with the book of Nehemiah. Every book coming after it can be placed somewhere in the framework of events covered from Genesis through Nehemiah.

1. Creation and Early Civilization ([Genesis 1-5](#)).
2. Noah and the Flood ([Genesis 6-11](#)).
3. Lives of the Patriarchs (Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph) ([Genesis 12-50](#)). (The Book of Job belongs here.)
4. Israelites in Egypt and the Wilderness (Exodus-Deuteronomy).
5. Israelites Enter the Land of Canaan (Joshua).
6. Israelites Ruled by Judges (Judges; [1 Samuel 1-8](#); Ruth).
7. Israelites Form a United Kingdom under Saul, David, and Solomon ([1 Samuel 9-2 Samuel 24](#); [1 Kings 1-11](#); [1 Chronicles 1-2 Chronicles 9](#)). (Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon belong here.)
8. Israelites Divide into Southern/Northern Kingdoms ([1 Kings 12-2 Kings 25](#); [2 Chronicles 10-36](#)). (Obadiah, Joel, Jonah, Amos, Hosea, Isaiah, Micah, Zephaniah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Jeremiah, Lamentations belong here.)
9. Israelites in Captivity (Ezekiel; Daniel).
10. Judah Returns from Babylon to Canaan (Ezra; Nehemiah; Esther). (Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi belong here.)
11. The 430 Years between the Old and New Testaments.
12. The Earthly Life and Ministry of Christ (Matthew; Mark; Luke; John).
13. Beginning and Growth of the Church (Acts).
14. Christianity Applied: Individually and Congregationally (Romans-Jude).
15. The Ultimate Victory of the Church (Revelation). —

Hugh Fulford

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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*Church Of Christ
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 Invites you to join us in Worship!*

Service this Week:

February 25, 2024

Donut Fellowship 9:00am

Bible Class 9:30am

Worship 10:30am

Song Leader: **Dennis Gray**

Scripture Reading & Prayer:

Romans 4:18-21

Prayers & Thoughts for the Lord's Supper:

Sermon: "Unwavering Faith"

Dr. Justin Imel

Closing Payer:

Jimmy Burke

Greeter **Tammy Adair**

Communion Prep: **Patsy Camp**

Livestreaming: **R.J. Imel**

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Email Messages, Everything happening on

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Meet With Us

Sunday Morning

Coffee & Donut Fellowship 9:00am

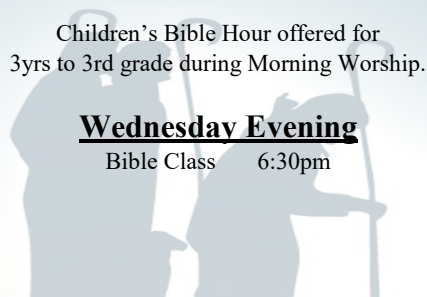
Bible Class 9:30am

Morning Worship 10:30am

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

Wednesday Evening

Bible Class 6:30pm



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!