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We Need a Light!

Recent destructive tornadoes in our country have caused me to think about how dangerous such storms are when they come in the dark of night. You can't look outside and see them coming!

When I was a kid, radar technology wasn't anywhere near the quality we have today. White blobs on a black background may have told you rain-clouds were present, but you didn't know if there were dangerous storms in those blobs. Today, of course, we have Doppler radar which makes it much easier to see rotating storms, but there is still danger in the night when people are asleep or otherwise not paying attention.

Spiritually, there is great danger in the darkness, as well. In the obscurity of shadows, we might fall victim to many things:

Unseen Obstacles. *"The way of the wicked is like darkness; They do not know what makes them stumble"* (Prov. 4:19). To keep us from tripping, we need a light! The word of God is the floodlight to keep us safe (Psalm 119:105).

Predators. Vicious hunters roam about at night to give themselves an advantage over their prey. Satan is a predator (1 Peter 5:8), and he wants to keep you in the dark. We need a light to see predators for what they really are (John 3:20).

Sin. How many evil deeds take place at night? Adulterers, thieves, and murderers do their work in cover of darkness (Job 24:13-17), as do drunkards (1 Thess. 5:7). We need a light to expose darkness and keep us from sin (Eph. 5:8-12).

Doubt and Confusion. The Philippian jailor made a snap judgment based on incomplete information, almost committing suicide because he feared he had lost all his prisoners (Acts 16:25-34). Having already drawn his sword to end his own life, he stopped when Paul told him that everyone was still there. It was only after this that the jailor *"called for a light"* (Acts 16:29) to see for himself the true state of affairs. We need a light to get rid of doubt and confusion!

We need a light, and that light is Jesus the Christ. *"Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, 'I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life'"* (John 8:12) Are you walking in the light of the Lord?

Matt Clifton

*Mark Your Calendar
(see details inside)*

Prayer Page

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." Romans 12:12

**Daily BIBLE
Reading Schedule**

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Ladies Pillow Ministry & Devo
Tuesdays 9:00 to 11:00

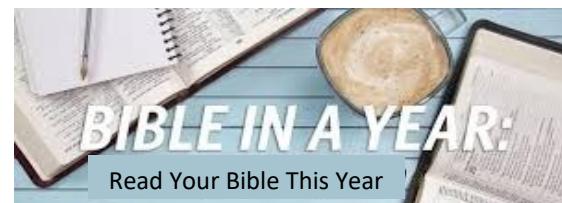
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Tithely Giving

We're reaching out to notify you about a planned Tithely Giving maintenance happening **Thursday, February 12th at 11:00pm Central Time**, lasting for up to one hour.



BIBLE IN A YEAR:

Read Your Bible This Year

*“...but in everything by prayer and supplication
with thanksgiving let your requests
be made known unto God.” Philippians 4:6*

Prayer Needs and Requests

Our Country & Our National Leaders look to & be guided by God; God Bless & protect President Trump & God Bless the United States of America; People of Israel & Ukraine; Hill Country Flood Victims; Pray the cease fire holds and Hamas lays down arms; Dennis & Mary Gray both recovering from new stents; also Dennis mother Joyce Gray has been hospitalized with pneumonia & a weak heart; Eileen Adair PET Scan came back all clear; Betty O'Bannon is now home with hospice care; Debbie Williams (Gene & Nancy Barton's daughter) health issues; Eliza Whitcomb - health issues; Jason Mining - regulating his diabetes; Bill Lawrence, Mary Miller's brother as he relocates; Gene Barton is continuing with meds unless chest pains return then possible stent - surgery ruled out; Tina (co-worker of Tammy Imel) fell and is having surgery; Lynda Goucher (Jerry Goucher sister-in-law) Afib issues; Terry Knight has tumor - testing (Dale Guillory friend); Jimmy Burke has been a little dehydrated which may be contributing to his chronic weakness; Adrian Burke has been home during the holidays-thankful for his safety; Sandra Burke (Jimmy & Peggy sister-in-law) has been diagnosed with sarcoidosis & will continue seeing doctors for plan forward in addition to kidney function problems & is undergoing more tests at the present; Mitch Sparks & Children, Mische Lynn Milton, Mrs Dale Milton (Miche's Mom) & entire Family (all prayer request of Sheri Williams); Stephany Plank-breast cancer; Maurene Martin-colon cancer; Tracy-prostate treatment, Charlott Wagner still needs our prayers (all friends of Dale Guillory); Building Program; Inmates of our Prison Ministry (601 Inmate students); Be THANKFUL for our MANY BLESSINGS; Share the Gospel of Jesus; Remember God is in Control; A Faithful God Deserves Praise; Are We Faithful to Him?; PUT GOD FIRST!; God Keeps His Promises; Produce Much Fruit; Be Present; Hallelujah! What a Savior!; Ask for Wisdom; Give; Commit; Let Your Light Shine; FEAR GOD! Practice Our Christianity Daily; Be THANKFUL for our MANY BLESSINGS; We must hear The Word to be saved - DEVOUR THE WORD; Hunger for God's Word & Read It Daily; Listen; Keep Our 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

Please Remember These Battling Cancer

Tammy Adair; Amy Cote (O'Bannon & Burke friend); Gerald Elliott; Mother of Mrs. Farris (Gina Branstetter friend); Frances (Sonoma O'Bannon friend); Roseann Hudoba; Betty Hunt (Tammy Imel sister-in-law's mother) Nathan Lunday-prostate cancer & Tracy Park (Dale Guillory friends); Jess Williams (Nancy Barton son-in-law)

Continual Prayers

Imel Family as they mourn the loss of Tammy's mother, Ann McKinney; Adair Family; Gene Barton (Nancy Barton's husband); Diane Bowman (Tammy Imel friend); Donna Bomfalk (Erin Burke friend); Gina Branstetter; Carole Broyles; David & Patsy Camp; Deanna & Norman Cox (Carole Broyles sister & brother-in-law); Louise Friday; Pat & Hugh Fletcher; Deavyn Gordon; Dennis & Mary Gray; Joyce Gray (mother of Dennis Gray); Dale Guillory; Nalin Hayter; Myra Higgins and her granddaughters-Alysa & Samantha Higgins; Marion Hood (aunt of Shannon Burke); Justin Imel health issues; Summer Imel (Justin & Tammy Imel niece); Pat Jackson & Norma McBride (Peggy Burke friends); Copper Kimbrough (husband Avery Cable Kimbrough); Betty O'Bannon; Glenda Peters; Bernice Reed; Brandon Reed; Kenny Reed; Robert Reed; Mike Reed; George & Karen Reyez (Dale Guillory friends); Jeff Riggs (Kay Riggs son); Mike Ritter; Bobby Rowan; Johnny Salas; Andrew Shirley (Scott & Erin Burke Son-in-law) heart issues; Jim & Linda Thomason; Lara Tucker (Nancy Barton niece), Sheri & Bruce Williams (Dale Guillory's sister); Susan Williams, Karl Vinson

PLEASE GIVE OFFICE UPDATES TO PRAYER LIST



CHECK OUT THE BULLETIN BOARD

FOR THANK YOU MESSAGES

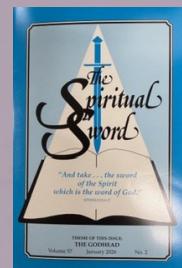
From Sunny Glen and Arms of Hope

For our participation in their programs:

-Arms of Hope Christmas Ornament collection of Gift Cards for the kids

-Sunny Glen Collection Bins located by the office.

MANY, MANY THANKS!!!



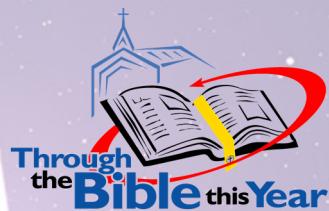
Pick up the new

Spiritual Sword

January 2026

“The Godhead”





WE ARE

Reading through the Bible in a Year

Are You?

<u>Daily Bible Reading</u>			
<u>February 8 - February 14</u>			
Sun 8	am	Lev. 4-6	
	pm	Matthew 25:1-30	
Mon 9	am	Lev. 7-9	
	pm	Matthew 25:31-46	
Tues 10	am	Lev. 10-12	
	pm	Matthew 26:1-19	
Wed 11	am	Lev. 13	
	pm	Matthew 26:20-54	
Thur 12	pm	Lev. 14	
	pm	Matthew 26:55-75	
Fri 13	am	Lev. 15-17	
	pm	Matthew 27:1-31	
Sat 14	am	Lev. 18-19	
	pm	Matthew 27:32-66	

FEBRUARY Birthdays

Nancy Barton 6

FEBRUARY Anniversaries

Scott & Erin Burke 14



Ladies' Class & Pillow Ministry

Every Tuesday

9:00 - 11:30 am

ARE ALL RELIGIONS EQUALLY VALID? (Part 3) by Allen Webster

SCRIPTURE SAYS THERE IS ONLY ONE WAY TO HEAVEN

One cannot accept the Bible as one sacred book among others. It does not allow for religious relativism.

- Solomon warned, “*There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death*” (Proverbs 14:12; repeated in 16:25). A path may feel right but be fatally wrong.
- The psalmist said, “*Through Your precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every false way*” (Psalm 119:104). And “*All Your precepts concerning all things I consider to be right; I hate every false way*” (119:128). If God’s way is right, then all contradictory ways must be wrong.
- Jesus said the gate is narrow, and the way is difficult (Matthew 7:13–14). He warned against false prophets (7:15) and said many would be deceived by those claiming to be Christ (24:4–5, 24–25).
- Peter foretold of false teachers who would deny the Lord and bring in destructive heresies (2 Peter 2:1–2). He said their teachings would lead to damnation, not salvation.
- Paul said that there are seven exclusive “ones”: body, Spirit, hope, Lord, faith, baptism, and God (Ephesians 4:4–6). He urged self-examination in religion: “*Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith*” (2 Corinthians 13:5). He warned against empty words that invite God’s wrath (Ephesians 5:6) and urged believers to avoid those who teach contrary to Christ’s doctrine (Romans 16:17–18).

If all religions are equally valid, then Solomon, the psalmist, Jesus, Peter, and Paul were all mistaken.

Continued Next Week - Conclusion - “Why This Matters”



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Meet With Us

Sunday Morning

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

Wednesday Evening

Bible Class 6:30pm

Serving this Week:

February 8, 2026

Donut Fellowship 9:00am

Bible Class 9:30am

Worship 10:30am

Song Leader: Dennis Gray

Scripture Reading & Prayer:

Acts 4:5-12

Prayers & Thoughts for the Lord's Supper:

Sermon: "Point the Way Unto Heav'n"

Dr Justin Imel

Closing Payer:

David Camp

Greeter: Tammy Adair

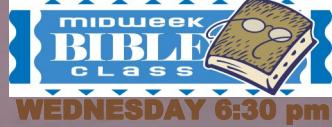
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Livestreaming: R.J. Imel

Stay tuned to our Tithely Messages,
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REMEMBER



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!