

Church of Christ

Deer Park

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The Beauty of Rebirth

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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As the flora comes alive and I remember my grandmother's enthusiasm for God's amazing creation, I am also drawn to the mighty power of God in recreating the human spirit.

My grandmother loved to garden, and tulips were one of her favorites. Since they bloomed early in spring, she got really excited for the growing year ahead as those tulips burst forth in beauty and color. She didn't seem to give much concern over the forgotten dead stalks of the previous winter, but took joy in rebirth as the new season blossomed.

Another spring is upon us. As the flora comes alive and I remember her enthusiasm for God's amazing creation, I also am drawn to the mighty power of God in recreating the human spirit.

The scriptures teach, *"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new"* (2 Corinthians 5:17).

When we see a new Christian being born (John 3:5; Gal. 3:27), we should not allow our minds to linger too long on the "old man" that was buried (Rom. 6:6). Instead, we should magnify and praise our God who has the power to regenerate the human soul (Titus 3:5). The bright outlook and beautiful spirit that comes up from the waters of baptism is a testament to the God who saves through the blood of His blessed Son Jesus the Christ!

Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!

Matt Clifton

FIRST AID AWARENESS

Pick up an **Emergency Medical Card**
(Graciously provided by Jerry Goucher)
The first thing EMT's asked for was a list of
medicines the patient was on.
PICK UP YOURS NOW



Anyone interested in free
Bible Correspondence
Course contact
the Office.
Beside World Bible
School we have J.M Hurt
& H to H series.

*"...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 for things going on in Iran; Dennis Gray is home recovering;
Jason Mining - medical checkups involving heart issues; O'Bannon
Family in the loss of their Mother and Grandmother, Steve Deviller
(Jerry Goucher friend) wife passed recently; Yvonne DeMasters
(Rosa Reeves & Jerry Goucher niece) lost her husband earlier this
year & is having health issues; Eileen Adair so glad she is back up to
par; Noah Mining is on the USS Bush & was deployed for the middle
east 3/31; Billy O'Bannon continues to recover; Dale Guillory is hav-
ing trouble with his feet; Mike Reed fell off ladder and crushed both
heals 3/12 - had surgery 3/24 & moved to Park Manor South Belt
3/27 for rehab which will be about 6 weeks; Autum Richter (Debby
Mining friend) facing back surgery; Cheryl McKinney (Tammy Imel
sister-in-law) lost vision in her eye-AND NOW THERE IS GREAT
NEWS-there has been improvement & doctors now believe she will
get her sight back; Graham Mooney (friend Jerry Goucher) had AFib
ablation; Tina Legende (Tammy Imel friend) broke her foot & had
surgery 3/2 & starts rehab 3/19; Debbie Williams (Gene & Nancy
Barton's daughter) health issues; Eliza Whitcomb - health issues;
Lynda Goucher (Jerry Goucher & Rosa Reeves sister-in-law) AFib
issues; Terry Knight has tumor - testing (Dale Guillory friend); Jimmy
Burke chronic weakness; Sandra Burke (Jimmy & Peggy sister-in-
law) has been diagnosed with sarcoidosis & will continue seeing doc-
tors for plan forward in addition to kidney function problems & is un-
dergoing more tests at the present; Stephany Plank-breast cancer;
Maurene Martin-colon cancer; Charlott Wagner still needs our pray-
ers (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 Con-
trol; 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



To the **O'Bannon Family**
In the loss of their Mother, Grandmother,
Our Friend & Sister in Christ
Betty O'Bannon
who passed into the arms of her Savior 3/26/2026.
In accordance with Betty's wishes,
there will be no funeral service.

our praise; Pray Without Ceasing for Each Other; Serve
Others; Deny Self & not be Mere Human; Breathe the Spirit
of God; Excitement & Enthusiasm for the Lord; Pray That
We Know God's Word & Live It & Put it into Practice; Us all
as we strive to be better Servants for the Lord, Share Our
Lord

Continual Prayers

Eileen Adair; Adair Family; Gene Barton (Nancy Barton's hus-
band); Diane Bowman (Tammy Imel 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; My-
ra Higgins and her granddaughters-Alysa & Samantha Higgins;
Marion Hood (aunt of Shannon Burke); Justin Imel health is-
ssues; Summer Imel (Justin & Tammy Imel niece); Pat Jackson
& Norma McBride (Peggy Burke friends); Copper Kimbrough
(husband Avery Cable Kimbrough); Bill Lawrence (Mary Miller
brother); Glenda Peters; Bernice Reed; Brandon Reed; Kenny
Reed; Robert Reed; Mike Reed; George & Karen Revez (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 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); Can-
dice Rudolph (Shannon Burke friend); Jess Williams (Nancy
Barton son-in-law)



MORE SPRING PILLOWS FOR CHILDREN

have been distributed to:
**NEXT LEVEL URGENT CARE,
 AFC URGENT CARE,
 THE BRIDGE, FORESENIUS KIDNEY
 CARE & METHODIST ER**

Ladies' Class & Pillow Ministry
Every Tuesday
9:00 - 11:30 am
 Tuesday Mornings - Devo & Pillows
 9:00 to 11:30AM - Stay as long as you can.



Daily Bible Reading

April 12 - April 18

Sun 12	am	I Samuel 10-12
	pm	Luke 13:22-35
Mon 13	am	I Samuel 13-14
	pm	Luke 14:1-24
Tues 14	am	I Samuel 15-16
	pm	Luke 14:25-35
Wed 15	am	I Samuel 17-18
	pm	Luke 15:1-10
Thur 16	pm	I Samuel 19-21
	pm	Luke 15:11-32
Fri 17	am	I Samuel 22-24
	pm	Luke 16:1-18
Sat 18	am	I Samuel 25-26
	pm	Luke 16:19-31

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Birthdays

Chad Burke	4
Tammy Imel	10
Dale Guillory	28

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Anniversaries

Sam & Debby Mining	4
Randy & Tammy Adair	16

The Bible's Nature in Divine Communication

(Part 2)

By Daniel Gaines | WBS OCEAN BRIDGE ENVOY

He wants us to linger over the words, and to wrestle with them. Such is the intention behind the biblical concept of meditation. Scriptures should be savored slowly like a hard candy, not munched thoughtlessly like a handful of popcorn. As we study, we can marvel at the harmony across pages that span centuries.

“The Bibles communication is not intended to be detached from relationship and relationship requires time, listening and growth.”

The lazy technique of plucking a single verse out of its home and pressing it into service for our own preferences is not the path of true understanding and can so easily lead us astray. Every verse is true; every verse is authoritative; but no verse is complete in isolation. The good Bible student must give Scripture a patient, disciplined hearing: book beside book, covenant beside covenant, prophesy beside fulfillment. We should receive the Scripture as God passed it down to us, rich, layered and remarkably unified.

Some people stumble over the Bible's complexity. Why not a simple manual? Why not a comprehensive reference manual with a handy FAQ section? Why a sprawling library gathered across centuries? While that might sound appealing, it misunderstands how God chooses to communicate. He does not just give us information alone. He gives us Himself. The Bible's communication is not intended to be detached from relationship. And relationship requires time, listening and growth. A manual can be skimmed; the Bible must be lived.

To handle Scripture carelessly is to treat God's voice lightly. To handle it rightly is to open ourselves to transformation. When Paul stated in 2 Timothy 3:16 that *“all Scripture is inspired by God and profitable,”* he was declaring that every page, every genealogy, every oracle, every prayer, every thought, was breathed by God and shapes His people for His purposes.

The Bible is not merely ancient histories. It is divine communication relevant to you and me. Its truths are not locked in the past. They are alive, wandering into our daily activities, challenging our assumptions, comforting our griefs, and calling us to holiness. When we study Scripture with its languages, its genres, and its contexts, we are not performing academic exercises. We are learning to hear our Father's voice more clearly.

Yes, God has spoken. His revelation is complete; His message is trustworthy; His voice is steady across every page. And when we open the Bible, we step into the long conversation between God and His people. It is a conversation that still changes lives, still shapes His church, and still speaks with divine authority. So let us come to the Scriptures with reverence and expectation. Let us handle its library with care. Let us study, wrestle, pray, and rejoice in its pages. **For in the Bible, God speaks to you.**



Study God's Word





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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
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Serving this Week:

April 12, 2026

Donut Fellowship 9:00am

Bible Class 9:30am

Worship 10:30am

Song Leader: **Dennis Gray**

Scripture Reading & Prayer:

James 5:19-20

Prayers & Thoughts for the Lord's Supper:

Sermon: **"Guiding the Erring"**

Dr. Justin Imel

Closing Payer:

Greeter: **Eileen & Tammy Adair**

Communion Prep: **Sam & Debby Mining**

Livestreaming: **R.J. Imel & Jerry Goucher**

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 Email Messages, Everything happening on
 Facebook Page:

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REMEMBER



WEDNESDAY 6:30 pm

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!