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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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Getting Closer to God

Without a doubt, there are times when God seems far away. In times like these, we may feel as if our prayers go unheard. Or we may wonder why it feels God is so disconnected from our lives.

What we need to remember is that God is unchanging (Malachi 3:6). His character stays absolutely holy. His faithfulness remains constant. His power continues unabated. It is we who change. Oftentimes the problem is that we allow sin into our lives and choose a direction away from God. Sometimes the problem is that we spend less and less time with Him in Bible study, meditation, and prayer. Then one day we realize that we have gradually grown distant from God.

For those in situations like this, the inspired writer James offers a solution. He tells us how to once again draw near to God. It is

found in James 4:8: *"Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded."* James' two suggestions are:

Stop whatever is pulling you away from God. It is mentioned in the text as *"cleanse your hands."* If you have been actively engaged in sin, you must renounce it (Ephesians 4:22). Stop doing things that harm your soul. If you have been drifting away from God, stop whatever is causing you to wander. Get your life back on the track that God has laid out for you.

Start your heart again for God. The passage states it this way: *"purify your hearts."* By repenting and getting forgiveness, God cleanses us once again (1 John 1:9). It is then that we must keep our hearts focused upon God. The heart is where the problem began. If we keep our attitudes, motives, and thoughts in harmony with God's will, we will find ourselves drawing nearer to Him once again.

There is no greater feeling of joy than knowing God is near you. We can have this assurance if we keep our hearts pure and our hands clean – if we stop doing the things we shouldn't and start again doing the things we should.

Edd Sterchi
Broadway church of Christ
Campbellsville, KY

*"...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; Pray for things going on in Iran; Jerry Goucher as he works with Churches of Christ Disaster Response Team in Louisiana (Be Safe Jerry); Lois Alvarado (Susan Williams' sister) on 6/15th car was clipped from behind and flipped 2 times, injuries to wrist more extensive than first thought, surgery 6/30 went well; Tammy & R.J. Imel while they are traveling in & around Kentucky; Roslyn Cacciotti (David Camp friend) had consults at MD Anderson 6/19th & 23rd & had wonderful results - NO CANCER - treat with meds and/or possible surgery; Noah Mining is on the USS Bush & deployed to the middle east; Gene Barton, (Nancy Barton's husband) will be having cancer surgery on his ear 7/8th; also his daughter Shawna Allen had surgery on her vocal cords 6/16th; Eliza Whitcomb now has a walker w/o wheels; Mike Reed is home receiving therapy 3/week from VA; Gina Branstetter has asked for prayers for whole Harris Family - a loved-one is very ill; Steve Deviller (Jerry Goucher friend) wife passed recently; 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; Lynda Goucher (Jerry Goucher & Rosa Reeves sister-in-law) AFib issues; Terry Knight has tumor - testing (Dale Guillory friend); 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; Stephany Plank-breast cancer; Maurene Martin-colon cancer; 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 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, Serve Each Other; Love Church!

Continual Prayers

Eileen Adair; Adair Family; Gene Barton (Nancy Barton's husband); Diane Bowman (Tammy Imel friend); Gina Branstetter; Carole Broyles; Jimmy Burke chronic weakness; David Camp; Deanna & Norman Cox (Carole Broyles sister & brother-in-law); Louise & Cathy Friday; Deavyn Gordon; Dennis & Mary Gray; Joyce Gray (mother of Dennis Gray); Dale Guillory; Nalin Hayter; 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); Bill Lawrence (Mary Miller brother); Cheryl McKinney (Tammy Imel sister-in-law); Billy O'Bannon; Bernice Reed; Brandon Reed; Kenny Reed; Robert Reed; Mike Reed; George & Karen Reyez (Dale Guillory friends); Mike Ritter; Bobby Rowan; Johnny Salas; Andrew Shirley (Scott & Erin Burke Son-in-law) heart issues; Jim & Linda Thomson; 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); Nova Lee Garza (9 yr old granddaughter Eliza Whitcome); Roseann Hudoba; Betty Hunt (Tammy Imel sister-in-law's mother) Nathan Lunday-prostate cancer & Tracy Park (Dale Guillory friends); Candice Rudolph (Shannon Burke friend); Jess Williams (Nancy Barton son-in-law)



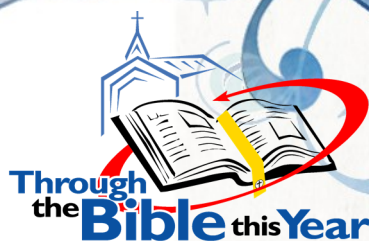
Are you sharing the Gospel with your Family & Friends?
Anyone interested in a free
Bible Correspondence Course,
contact the Office.
Beside World Bible School,
we have J.M. Hurt & H to H series.
"Study to shew thyself approved unto God..."
2 Timothy 2:15 KJV



WILL BE HERE
April 11th-12th
They have a new request method
to reduce spoilage.
Please see the LIST by the
COLLECTION BOXES &
in SUNDAY HANDOUT.
There are 22 items to pick from as
opposed to the usual 3.
THANKS FOR HELPING! WHERE
YOU CAN!



Shannon Burke	8
Justin Imel	31



Daily Bible Reading
July 5- July 11

Sun 5	am	Job 31-32
	pm	Acts 13:1-25
Mon 6	am	Job 33-34
	pm	Acts 13:24-52
Tues 7	am	Job 35-37
	pm	Acts 14
Wed 8	am	Job 38-39
	pm	Acts 15:1-21
Thur 9	pm	Job 40-42
	pm	Acts 15:22-41
Fri 10	am	Psalms 1-3
	pm	Acts 16:1-15
Sat 11	am	Psalms 4-6
	pm	Acts 16:16-40



We will be hosting Life Line Screening
Friday, July 31, 2026
We will need Volunteers to be present
during the day 8:00 - 5:00
Some FREE Certificates will be available
More Infor later.



Ladies' Class & Pillow Ministry
Every Tuesday
9:00 - 11:30 am
Stay as long as you can.
You DO NOT need to sew.
BEGINNING WORK ON CHRISTMAS.

The Work of the Church

"Rather speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly; makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love." (Ephesians 4:15-16)

The church of our Lord belongs uniquely to Him. He built it (Matthew 16:18); He purchased it with His blood (Acts 20:28); He is its foundation (1 Corinthians 3:11); He is the head of church, His body (Ephesians 1:22-23); and He is as a husband to a bride (Ephesians 5:23-25).

The church is made up of save people who follow Jesus. Saul ravaging the church was persecuting people (Acts 8:1-3). Though people speak of denominational groups as churches, they are not the church of the New Testament. Though people speak of buildings as churches, the building is merely a house that holds the church. The Lord knows those who are His (2 Timothy 2:19).

God has called the church to spread the gospel to every person in the whole world (Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:15). The Lord wants every soul to know the truth and to be saved (1 Timothy 2:3-4). We are in the business of helping souls find Jesus, know the truth, and be saved.

By television, radio, the internet and the printed page, we are now by the grace of God spreading the gospel into more than 150 nations of the world. We are first, foremost, and always a ministry of the Lord's church and do all we do to serve the Lord and His people.

Our task is to proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light (1 Peter 2:9). Please keep us in your prayers....

The Lord be with you,

Phil Sanders - *The SEARCH Light*



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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:

July 5, 2026

Donut Fellowship 9:00am

Bible Class 9:30am

Worship 10:30am

Song Leader: **Dennis Gray**

Scripture Reading & Prayer:
Acts 3:19

Prayers & Thoughts for the Lord's Supper:

Sermon: "The Truth About Repentance"
Dr. Justin Imel

Closing Payer:
Jimmy Burke

Greeter: **Eileen & Tammy Adair**
Communion Prep: **Sam & Debby Mining**
Livestreaming: **R.J. Imel & Jerry Goucher**

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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!