



TRUE LIGHT

Thy word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. ~ Psalm 119:105

March 20, 2022

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Sunday School :
9:30 a.m.
Worship:
10:15 a.m.
5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study.....7:00PM

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*"This is the day the Lord
has made. Let us rejoice
and be glad in it."*

Psalms 118:24

**We Welcome You
To All Of Our
Services**

BUT GOD

Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be unable to conceive is in her sixth month. **For no word from God will ever fail.**

"I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May your word to me be fulfilled." Then the angel left her (Luke 1:36-38 - Bold added for emphasis).

In a world swirling with heavy clouds and looming headlines, mothers today hold a massive opportunity!

Like never before, we are connected with people across the globe. Instead of seeing just printed headlines, we watch videos posted by mothers like us and hear their children's cries of terror as a missile slams into their neighborhood.

We carry this.

We feel this.

How could we not?

And yet, we can still say, "But God!"

Over the pages of history, people have faced war, illness, and devastation. They have had brutal leaders and suffered because of sin.

But God has never forsaken...

Paul the apostle. Corrie Ten Boom. Richard Wurmbrand. Or, the host of folks in Hebrews 11:32-39 that we don't even have time to mention whose faith God supported and validated as He never forsook them!

So, we say, "But God!"

Laced through the most horror-filled pages of time is God's never-ending presence. His grace. His hope to people who were gasping to breathe. So, today, we buy chicks and plant gardens and make lunch for the millionth time. We pray for Ukraine and Russia. We pray for freedom for all, both medical and military.

Because we can say, "But God!"

We remember we ARE the influencers - the greatest and most critical ones. The impressionable little ones entrusted to us are the most crucial following we could ever have. Their eyes are glued to us as we face each day and the mess of the world they hear about from outside us. We show them that our hope is set on something we cannot see. That sickness and war and corruption aren't bigger than God.

Through all of time, in the darkest of days, His people could look up and say, "But God!"

Don't look to headlines for hope. Don't depend on the phone in your hand to balance your world or promise a safe future. Dive deep into God's faithfulness and His unfailing promises. Lean into the Word that never dies or goes wrong.

Our story is written in the lives of real people, and in our own lives, shouts, "But God..."

This place, with all its unknowns, is our place to worship. To acknowledge He is God, He is good, and He will provide. This is where IS counts. And, this IS the place God has called us to be, with the people each of us IS called to be, and to say with hope, "But God!"

[Joseph said to his brothers that betrayed him into slavery,] *You intended to harm me, **But God** intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives (Genesis 50:20 - Bold added for emphasis).*

[The apostle Paul, imprisoned and testifying before King Agrippa, said:] **But God** has helped me to this very day; so I stand here and testify to small and great alike (Acts 26:22 - Bold added for emphasis).

Melissa Troyer, www.heartlight.com

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BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

March 22 - Susie Blackwell
Cindy Burleson
Brooke Smith
March 23 - Alexis Forman
Wes Howard
Loretta Zimmerman
Mark & Rita Clayton (A)
March 24 - Ashley Johnson
March 27 - Mary Barnett



CHILDREN'S HOMES NEEDS

Dried Onions * Dishwashing Detergent
* Trail Mix * Freezer Bags (2 Gallon) *
Tissues (ie Kleenex) * Toilet Paper
Pick-up date: June 13

FOOD PANTRY

Currently operating on an "as needed/
as available" basis. Monetary donations
are always appreciated.

WILLING TO SERVE

March 20, 2022

Morning Worship:

Song Leader.....Joe Watson
Opening Prayer.....Ron Garner
Scripture.....Jason Karnes
Prayer.....Jonathan Simmons
Closing Prayer.....Justin Allen

Evening Worship:

Song Leader.....Rodney Williams
Prayer.....David Carson
Scripture.....Sam Garner
Dismissal.....Jerry Burleson

Wednesday, March 23, 2022

Song Leader.....Jacob Clayton
Prayer.....David Carson
Dismissal.....Mike Duley

March 27, 2022

Morning Worship:

Song Leader.....Cameron Traw
Opening Prayer.....Jon Neely
Scripture.....Jeff Rodgers
Prayer.....Zack Tanner
Closing Prayer.....Wayne Reams

Evening Worship:

Song Leader.....Rodney Williams
Prayer.....Darrin Shipman
Scripture.....Justin Allen
Dismissal.....Joe Watson

LOST TO THE PAST

Upset with the corruption and extravagance plaguing his kingdom, Korea's King Yeongio (1694-1776) decided to change things. In a classic case of throwing out the baby with the bath water, he banned the traditional art of gold-thread embroidery as excessively opulent. Soon, knowledge of that intricate process vanished into the past.

In 2011, Professor Sim Yeon-ok wanted to reclaim that long-lost tradition. Surmising that gold leaf had been glued onto mulberry paper and then hand-cut into slender strands, she was able to recreate the process, reviving an ancient art form.

In the book of Exodus, we learn of the extravagant measures employed to construct the tabernacle - including gold thread to make Aaron's priestly garments. Skilled craftsmen *hammered out thin sheets of gold and cut strands to be worked into the blue, purple and scarlet yarn and fine linen* (Exodus 39:3). What happened to all that exquisite craftsmanship? Did the garments simply wear out? Were they eventually carried off as plunder? Was it all in vain? Not at all! Every aspect of the effort was done because God had given specific instructions to do it.

God has given each of us something to do as well. It may be a simple act of kindness - something to give back to Him as we serve each other. We need not concern ourselves with what will happen to our efforts in the end (1 Corinthians 15:48). Any task done for our Father becomes a thread extending into eternity.

Tim Gustafson

Attendance for March 13: 97

Contribution for March 13: \$4677

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Remember: Roxanne Carson's spinal tap showed no cancer, and she is improving * **Chris "Moe" Daley**, Cindy William's nephew, recently diagnosed with colon cancer * **Luke Tanner's** broken arm is mending without surgery * **Don Jackson** is having soreness and weakness in his leg, and hopeful a new brace for his knee will help * **David Carson** recovering from surgery * **Mike Duley** continues to have issues from a foot injury several months ago * **Louella Akers** *

Continue praying for these members of our church family: Louella Akers * Kristi Altman * John David Barnett * David Burleson * Janie Burleson * Scott and Judy Flannery * Sue Flowers * Patsy (Hardy) Gregg * Grant Howard * Don Jackson * Sonja Mays * Curtis McClard * Darlene McGowan * Helen McGowan * Jeff McGowan * Kevin Mickey * Reba Owens * Ida Roberts * Gayle Rodgers * Waynetta Rodgers * Jane Smith * Leon Smith * David Terrill * Bettie Thurston * Gunner Townsend * Marty Watson * Sharlette Watson * Woody Wood

Those dealing with cancer (non congregational) :

Chastity Beaird * Cathy Bennett * Gina Bogle * Roxanne Carson * Sherry Chambers * Randy Cravens * Bill Fitzpatrick * Jo Carolyn Flowers-Noe (not doing well) * Kim Goins * Ronnie Goins * Patricia Greninger * Neal Halford * LeAnn Jacques * Tommy Jacques * Pam Jerald * Holly Johnson * Connie Lemmons * Ponna Mahan * Linda Morgan * Paula Mason * Betty Nicholson * Keagan Owens * Tammy Telker * Bobby Thornton * Paula Walls

Other health issues (non-congregational):

DeeDee Burch * Mary Burke * Jodi Claeys * Ruth Dauck * Jerry Grimes * Katie Hicks * Lem Hubbard * Clyde Jacques * Lola Johnson * Beckie King * Nikki Lawrence * Shug Lee * Jerry Don McGowan * Baby Owen * Brenda Robinson * Gene Rowland * Beth Schwendemann and family * Kevin Steed * Traci Suiter * Paige Tanner * Marilyn Tucker * Heather Whitehead * Eva Latham

Our Shut Ins

Louella Akers * Fern Botsch * Travis Cooper * Sue Flowers * Don Jackson * Sonja Mays * Reba Owens * Bettie Thurston * Marty Watson * Joy Watson

Looking Ahead

Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal will be breakfast-for-supper. Desserts will be needed.

"Ignite" Youth Rally March 26-27 at Jackson with guest speaker Spencer Furby. More information is posted on the bulletin board by the nursery.

Ladies Day April 2 at Green Forest church of Christ. The theme is "Removing the Mask" with guest speaker Rosemary McKnight. More information is posted on the bulletin board by the nursery.

We will have potluck-style Easter dinner April 17 following morning worship. If you would to attend, there is a sign-up sheet on the table in the foyer.

In Sympathy:

Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of our dear sister, Pam Claeys, who passed away Monday following a long battle with cancer. Pam's memorial service was held Saturday.

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints (Psalm 116:15).

