



FAMILY NEWS

October 11, 2026

Classes

Auditorium Class: Andy Scott

Teens: Arpoika Daniels

4th - 6th Grade: Lani Renner

1st - 3rd Grade: Ginger Posey

3yr - K: Lynn Grimes

Nursery: Miranda Hays

Sermons

AM: Arpoika Daniels

PM: Evening Bible Study



IN
SEARCH
OF THE LORD'S WAY®

Next Sunday on Search:

Oct 18-Repentance

The Lord never intended for His people to remain in an old way of life. He asks them to change their hearts and change their behavior. Repentance is not a punishment; it is a healing transformation into newness of life.

Daily Bible Reading

Sunday

Job 8-9 & Hebrews 10:19-39

Monday

Job 10-11 & Hebrews 11:1-22

Tuesday

Job 12-13 & Hebrews 11:23-40

Wednesday

Job 14-15 & Hebrews 12

Thursday

Job 16-17 & Hebrews 13

Friday

Job 18-19 & James 1

Saturday

Job 20-21 & James 2

*God is still on the throne,
and He will remember His own;
though trials may press us
and burdens distress us,
He never will leave us alone;
God is still on the throne,
He never forsaketh His own;
His promise is true,
He will not forget you,
God is still on the throne.*

The Lord has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all.

Psalm 103:19 (NIV)

THANKSGIVING TURKEY HOTLINE

Oct. 11
to
Nov. 15



Sunday, October 11th, please bring canned corn, green beans and cranberry sauce.

Place all donated items on the counter in the church library.

In Our Hearts:

For surely, O Lord, you bless the righteous; you surround them with your favor as with a shield.
Psalms 5:12 (NIV)

Please remember those on our long term prayer list. If you notice changes that need to be made in our list please let the church office know.

Sara Shelton, daughter of Andy Scott, Clancy Phillis, Beverly Ramsey, Larry Waddell, Lee Daniels, mother of Arpoika Daniels, LaRohnda Jones, niece of Johna Myers, Kenny Brewer, Sue Alexander, Talhia Vanlandingham, Alvis Campbell, Ted Criswell

Let's remember our shut-ins: *Peggy Malone*

Fall Retreat: The Youth, along with their sponsors, will be leaving for their Fall Retreat on Friday, October 16th and returning on Sunday, October 18th. Please pray for their safety as well as a spiritually uplifting time together.

Church Family,

Thank you for all the thoughtful things you've done and all the happiness you've given to me and my family. May God bless you. Special thanks to the beautiful lady that made the Birthday cake.
Deloris McMillion



HEY ALEXA -
SET MY ALARM FOR
CHURCH ON SUNDAY!



**The danger of missing
worship with the saints -
is that soon you don't
miss it.**



AN ENCOURAGING WORD

John 1:22-23

**"What do you say about yourself?"²³ He said,
"I am A VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS,
'MAKE STRAIGHT THE WAY OF THE LORD...'"**

Thousands of people were traveling out to the Judaeen countryside wilderness to hear the rustic preacher, John the Baptist. He was not ashamed or afraid to clearly speak God's message of repentance to anyone and everyone to prepare the way for them to repent of their sins, opening their hearts to the teaching of Jesus Christ and enter His Kingdom.

Back in Jerusalem, the religious leaders sent a delegation to the wilderness to plainly ask John who he really was. They knew he was someone special, but who was he? They wondered if he was the Christ? Or Elijah? Or the prophet that Moses had promised would come (Deuteronomy 18:15).

John confessed he was none of them. We hear his reply when he quoted the prophecy of Isaiah 40:3. John the Baptist knew who he was and what he needed to do to fulfill his life's purpose. He needed to prepare the hearts of people to receive the message of Christ Jesus and His kingdom, the Kingdom of God.

You may not realize it, but we ALL have the same purpose as John. Not that we are prophets like he was, but after we have received the grace of God in our lives by trusting and obeying the will of our Lord Jesus, our lives are a window to manifest or show His grace to others. We really do have an encouraging word to share as we share what God through His Grace has done for us.

For the Master's Cause,
Andy Scott

You Can't Stop the Gospel

Once the apostles started their work as witnesses of the risen Christ, there was no stopping them. They had been apprehensive. They had been scared and running. Peter had even denied knowing Jesus. But not any longer. All of that would be changed. Once their work began, the Gospel would go out far and wide, Jew and Gentile alike would be saved in great numbers. Even so, opposition would also arise attended with severe consequences. Yet no matter how hard the opposition would try, they just couldn't stop the spread of the Gospel. They could not stamp out the followers of Christ.

Gamaliel, Paul's great teacher in the Sanhedrin, gave the council a bit of his wisdom regarding the disciples. Peter and John had already been sternly warned not to preach or teach in the name of Jesus, so what could they do? They could only but speak what they had seen and heard (Acts 4:19-20). It didn't matter to them what the council thought. They didn't care anymore what others may have whispered behind their backs. They knew they were preaching the truth about Jesus. This is Truth that has the greatest consequences of anything that can ever be taught. How could they keep silent? They kept on preaching and teaching Jesus as the Christ.

The council continued trying to stop them, and all the apostles were picked up for preaching Jesus. When they again stood before the Sanhedrin, they didn't apologize for causing disturbances. They didn't worry about what others around them were thinking. They just taught about Jesus and offered the salvation and forgiveness available through Him. The council was enraged anyway. They had warned the apostles. How dare this band of fishermen disobey the great council! Now the apostles were worthy of death.

This is when Gamaliel stepped in. Be careful, he told them, with what you do to these men. Others have made fantastic claims and their followers were scattered. Nothing came of them. So just let these men alone, "for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; but if it is of God you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!" (Acts 5:38-39) This is a great theme of the book of Acts. What comes from God cannot be overthrown, and the gospel does come from God.

Gamaliel was on to something vital. He knew he couldn't stop God's plans and actions, and he certainly didn't want to fight against God. One can almost detect an open mind here. Before prejudging these apostles, just let them run their course and see what happens. He likely thought it would just die out.

We know what happened! The council listened to Ga-

maliei and at least didn't kill the apostles. They did, however, beat them and gave them more warnings. What did the apostles do? They left the council rejoicing that they were considered worthy to suffer shame for the name of Jesus, and "they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ" (Acts 5:41-42). Why should they have stopped? They knew that what they were preaching was truth that could save souls. They knew God was with them. "And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him" (Acts 5:32).

The Gospel cannot be stopped because it is from God. It was then, and it is now. The evidence of the risen Christ is powerful, so when we place ourselves on the side of Jesus, we can have confidence. What, then, are we afraid of? If it is from God, it cannot be stopped.

"Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect" (1 Pet 3:13-15).

The threat of stopping the spread of the Gospel, ironically, is probably greater from those who claim to be disciples than from those who oppose it. We know that if we are diligent in teaching, there will be opposition. Yet opposition to the Gospel does not pay off. Enemies of God cannot stop it. On the other hand, the threat of silencing the Gospel is stronger when those who claim to be disciples keep their own mouths shut. We live in a time that allows for freedom of speech, and sometimes we use our freedom to talk about anything but the Gospel. The opposition doesn't have to do a thing when we are afraid to speak.

No one can thwart God's plans. As disciples of Jesus, we need to step up and be preach Christ and Him crucified. We must not remain silent in a world of opposition. The example of the apostles is still before us. May we follow their lead and keep right on teaching Jesus.

- Doy Moyer

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**Worship & Bible Study
Schedule**

AM

Sunday 9:30 - Bible Class

Sunday 10:30 - Worship

PM

Sunday 5:00 - Bible Study

Wednesday 6:00 - Bible Study

Worship Workers

October 11

In Charge: Steve Johnson (405-380-5013)

Welcome AM: Syd Morgan

Song Leader: Steve Johnson

Opening Prayer: Tyler Turpin

Closing Prayer: Syd Morgan

Lord's Supper & Offering AM: Paul Alexander

Lord's Supper & Offering PM: Steve Johnson

Scripture Reading: Gil Turpin

**October Nursery Attendants**

October 4 - Debbie Crane

October 11 - Ashley Noey

October 18 - Kay Lashley

October 25 - Ginger Posey

October Worship & Bible Class Greeters

North Doors: Betty Smith & Beverly Ramsey

South Doors: Bob Griggs & Alan Morgan