STAY-INFORMED.

Are you on the email list for weekly updates, urgent notifications, prayer requests, and the digital version of the bulletin? If not please email Amy at: amy30655@yahoo.com

HEARING DEVICES

If you need a hearing device please let Tom Tittle know!

WEEKLY TOTALS

12/11 & 12/14

Bible Study 74
AM Worship 86
PM Worship 58
Mid-Week (PM) 44

OFFERING 12/11 \$3076.00

PRAY FOR EACH OTHER!

PRAY FOR OUR NATION STAND FIRM. KEEP THE FAITH.

CHECK THE FOYER FOR NEWS!

Check the foyer for sign-up sheets and cards to sign. Also if you have a biblical question please write it down and put in the box.

Help fill the Sunshine Baskets in the foyer!

Please sign the cards in the foyer! It is so nice to get something in the mail with no due date!

5TH Sundays

JANUARY 29TH • APRIL 30TH • JULY 30TH OCTOBER 29TH • DECEMBER 31

COME BACK TONIGHT AT 5PM!

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WELCOME!

BIBLE STUDY • PRAYER REQUESTS
RENEW YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

If you are visiting please fill out a Communication Card!

MEMBERSHIP REQUESTS
TRAVEL PLANS

Assembly Times: Sunday

Bible Study-9:30 am Worship-10:30 am PM Worship-5:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Study Morning-10:00 am Evening-7:00 pm



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WELCOME

You are truly our honored guests! We hope that you find our Bible Study and Worship Service beneficial to you. We seek only to worship God in the same manner as done by Christians when the church began in Acts 2.

CONNECTION CARDS

Please fill out a Connections Card in the pew in front of you. Pass it to the end of your row to be collected.

We are so glad you are here with us today!

PLAN OF SALVATION

Hear Believe Romans 10<u>:17 John 8:24</u>

Repent Acts 17:30

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Confess Ba

Baptized Live Faithfully Acts 22:16 Matthew 7:21

If you have any questions please let us know!

UPCOMINGIDATES/ANDIEVENTS

Mens Weekly Breakfast: Wednesdays 9AM at the Pot Luck Cafe Ladies Monthly Bible Study: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays Youth Devos: Third Sundays TODAY at 4PM
MENS LEADERSHIP CLASSES

THIS EVENING
YOUTH DEVO AT THE MCCANNONS

DECEMBER 21ST

MIDWEEK SUPPER

PRAYERS Do you need prayers? Whether it's health, personal, or for others we will pray for you!

Ed Smithpeters, Barron Crane, Pat Gibson, Almeda Cooper, Bobby Wood, Causie Crane, Becky Stephens, Pat Thomas, Karon Sims, Eileen Wood, Edwina Hein, Audley Samuels, The Bowden Family, Teena Cheek, Jewel Taylor, Julian Pressley, Rex Butner, Anthony Ansley, Brenda West, Lillian Knox...and many others!

A Feel-Good Story

I refuse to watch sad movies. I do not want to sit down to watch something that will make me sad. On the other hand, I love feel-good stories. I like it when the good guy wins, the bad guy loses, and everyone goes home happy.

One of my favorite movies of this variety is A Christmas Carol. I especially like the 2009 animated variety with Jim Carey. The reason I like this particular movie is because of how it is wrapped up at the end. As (hopefully) everyone knows, Scrooge has a change of heart after the three Christmas Ghosts confront him. And in the 2009 version, Bob Cratchit (Gary Oldman) narrates the remaining sequence of events. He says that Scrouge was more than good on his promises; he restored Bob, became a second father to Tiny Tim, and became a great philanthropist for the rest of his life.

Why is A Christmas Carol so appealing? Why do I enjoy watching the feel-good story year after year? One of the reasons is true repentance. Scrouge made a 180 on everything that he was doing before. He was a new man. He went on to do great things in his community for the rest of his life.

Repentance is not an unfamiliar term to those familiar with the Bible. But just because we are familiar with it doesn't make it any less special. One of the best feel-good stories of all time involved the man responsible for most of our New Testament. We are familiar with the story of Saul, who became Paul. Paul's change of heart was just as radical (if not more) than the fictional character Scrouge. In Acts 26:9-11 Paul says of himself, "I myself was convinced that I ought to do many things in opposing the name of Jesus of Nazareth. And I did so in Jerusalem. I not only locked up many of the saints in prison after receiving authority from the chief priests, but when they were put to death I cast my vote against them. And I punished them often in all the synagogues and tried to make them blaspheme, and in raging fury against them I persecuted them even to foreign cities."

Now, look at the end of his life in 2 Timothy 4:6-8 he says, "For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

ELECTRONIC BULLETIN

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Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing."

What has the power to change a man like Saul? The word of God. I can say with certainty that we are not going to get a visit from three ghosts tonight. We might and should have an encounter with the word of God, however. Do we let it change us? Do we let it work out the way it should? That is the best feel-good story of all.

CONGRATULATIONS!



Sara received her Master's degree in Special Education and Autism from West Georgia College! There will be a basket in the foyer for notes, cards, and gifts We are so proud of you, Sara!!!!

MENS LEADERSHIP TRAINING

ALL of the men are encouraged to be back at 4PM! We will continue our class.

MID-WEEK SUPPER- WEDNESDAY AT 6PM



MARCH 18th, 2023 LADIES DAY!

