



January 26, 2020

#### **Follow Me**

"Follow me." This is consistently the call of the Lord in the Gospel of Luke (5:27; 9:23, 59). It is shown to be a costly and daily commitment (5:28; 9:23). Yet, people do it immediately, willingly, and joyfully (5:28; 9:57; 18:43).

Why? Why would anyone set out on such a course? What does it mean to follow Jesus as Christ?

Loving more. Attach such surpassing worth to him than anything or anyone else, including self, is denied as the true object of your love (14:26-27). In fact, to follow Jesus is to value self, other persons, and all things, in light of his loving and giving himself (Col. 1:20). To follow his as the Christ is to make him the highest, allinclusive loyalty in your life.

<u>Submitting to.</u> Come after him, not in front of him. He leads, you follow, just as sheep do their shepherd, his voice being their authority and his care being their life. To follow Jesus, the one who submits himself to the Father's will even to the death of the cross, means voluntarily submitting to his direction in whatever is to be done, word or deed (Phil. 2:8; Eph. 5:24).

<u>Imitation of.</u> Go where he goes; do what he does. To follow Jesus is to try walk in his steps, to follow his example. Aiming to do so means imitating God by loving and giving and serving as Christ does (Eph. 5:1-2). He calls for us to do so in the arena of daily life, by force of habit, making it who we are.

"Come unto me." It's an invitation of the Lord that has comforted so many of us who have labored under burdens too heavy for us. Let us recognize that it goes with "come after me." There is more of a challenge in this call, but no less comfort. To follow Jesus is to be blessed with the dignity of a worthy purpose.

-Bill McFarland

Order of Worship Greeting

Announcements Bob Snider

> Song Leader Jon Ewing

> > #822 #344

Opening Prayer Andy McFarland

#500 "How Deep the Father's Love"

The Lord's Supper Jonathan Pendergraft

Our Contribution Jonathan Pendergraft

> #651 #237

Message Bill McFarland

*#761* 

#717

Closing Prayer Jerry Milligan

#### Serve Communion

Devin Carroll
John Dutton
Jon Davis
Mike Ussery
Tom Easterly
Don Gaunt
Barry Hannah
Byrle Hayter
Tucker Jobes
Gaylen Jones

## Welcome Visitors

We are honored that you joined us. We hope you will be blessed by your time with us. We have an attended nursery, a cry/training room and a nursing mother's room for your convenience if you have small children. Please fill out an attendance card and pass it to the end of the pew so that we may thank you for

#### **WORKS WE SUPPORT**

Joey & Tammy Treat, **Northern Mariana Islands** 

Steven Ashcraft. West Africa Mission

Voice of Truth International

Charles Renfro, **Latin American Missions** 

> **Churches of Christ Disaster Relief**

Fair Haven Children's Home "In Search of the Lord's Way" 7 AM Sundays KOLR TV 10

> "KNOW YOUR BIBLE" 10:30 AM Sundays/

> > For The Record January 19

Bible Study: 226 320 Morning: 141 Evening: Wednesday (1/22): 96 Contribution: \$13,853

#### **FAMILY MATTERS**

#### **FAMILY CONCERNS**

- Debbi Ratterree as she continues her battle with leukemia. She made another trip to St. Louis this past week. You can send cards or an email of encouragement to dratterree@sbcglobal.net. KEEP PRAYING!
- ♦ Continue to remember Russell Harber, Betty Grabber, Ruth Raines, Marty Long, Carolyn Young, Clarence & Ola Jean Feeney, Connie Thompson, Dennis Smith, Sandra Pingenot, Lynette Schreiwes, Sherry Sherman

#### Friends & Family

- ♦ Noel Green's brother-in-law, Ryan Scott, in Albuquerque as he probably will have his leg amputated due to a severe infection.
- ♦ Wayne Williams, the person responsible for helping start Know Your Bible at North National years ago, is dealing with health issues and is now in Wichita with his daughters. He will be 100 years old in June.
- ♦ Ellie Swartz (former member) is recovering from a broken hip and femur. She is in a nursing home for rehab. Her address is 1422 NW 9<sup>th</sup>, Ankeny IA 50023. She would love your cards.
- ♦ George Mahon, John's nephew, has stage 4 cancer that has spread to his brain and other parts of his body.
- Vickie Baker's sister, Renee Purcell is dealing with breast cancer and treatments.
- Continue to remember: Chris Andrews' dad James and Trish's mom; Neal & Vickie Rosenburg, Debra Davis' daughter-in-law's father and mother; Debbi Ratterree's friends, Scott & Kathleen, dealing with cancer.
- Gary Amburg, Shirlane Horton's mother's brother, dealing with health issues.

Ron Bower **Mary Bratcher** Don Essex Clarence Feeney **Ola Jean Feeney Cecil Frost** Wanda Frost

Shut-Ins

**Doris Iora** Jim Reaves **Ruth Reaves Doris Tobler Nursing Homes** 

Ella Mae Findlay Ann Freeze Jerry Gillespie **Frances Grann** Wayne Harmon Virginia Morgan Sandra Pingenot Nancy Snider

#### **Expectant Moms**

Kylie Dutton Galindo March 2020/Boy

> Jennifer Wood May 2020/??

We are accepting monetary donations for the

Food Pantry. Your

donation can be given to

Johnnie or Jason Luna. Thank

you for continuing to contribute to

this good work, and thanks to

Jason & Lora for keeping the

#### PICTURES OF SOME OF OUR **NEW MEMBERS**



Fred & Norma Lorenz





Sawyer Murphy

Bob &Sue Aherin

Sandra Long



# pantry stocked.

#### February Anniversaries

8 Raymond/Alice Daniels 51 yrs. 10 Ron/Lisa Stokes 36 yrs. 10 Tom/Tiffany Meeks 30 yrs. 14 Don/Linda Tracy 51 yrs. 15 Kevin/Connie Westerman 34 yrs. 24 Kenny/Debra Davis 47 Yrs. 27 Bob/Betty Stockstill 66 Yrs. 28 Clint/Betty Holden 62 yrs. Happy Anniversary!!



#### Feeding the Homeless and <u>Underprivilege</u>d

**TODAY** 

Immediately after the morning worship service/806 N. Jefferson Ave

Thank you all so much for your willing participation in this work.



#### **Game Night Mixer**

Saturday, 2/29, from 4-9 p.m. at Fair



Haven Children's Home. We will be having multiple games being played with all generations- from our YFC families to our youth group kids to our Ties that Bind



couples! There will be sign-up sheets at the building for who you want to play in what game! Bring snacks! More info to come!



**Ladies.** Please mark your calendar for our Spring Tea. It will be Saturday March 28. Speaker will be Judi Dean, author of the book Sweet Truths.



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5, 6th Grades

5-6 p.m. \$3 each



New Testament Survey

- The Ladies Bible class will meet Thursday at 10:30 a.m. The ladies are beginning a new book, "Prescriptions for a Woman's Soul." Leona Snider will be leading the study on "Knowledge, the Key."
- Quilters meet at 9 AM on Thursday and Card Makers meet at 9:30 a.m.
- ◆ Woodland Manor Devo Saturday at 10 a.m.
- ◆ Elders meet February 11 at 5 p.m.
- Steven Ashcraft reports on his Africa work 2/16 at 5 p.m.



#### **Married Couples** Retreat

Pointe Royale Resort February 21-22 \$85 per couple Guest speaker will be Joe Bright.

Please give your checks to Melinda Barton or Lora Luna to reserve your spot.



Thank you one and all for all the wonderful holiday remembrances. I'm very blessed that so many took the time from your busy lives at this time of year to remember me. May God bless you. Love to all. Doris lorg

#### **Birthdays**

29 Illene Birdsong 29 Tim Marsolf 31 Pat Culley 2/1 Corbin Snitker 2 Don Gaunt **Chace Eaves** Shaniece Alton 4 Helen Coltrane Rosalie Cruse 5 Todd Kraus **Luke Lines** Yvonne Tindall **Denzil Raines** 8 Allen McCann **Constance Jackson** Christina Snitker

#### SUNDAY & WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASSES Cradle Row thru 6th Grade

l	Class	Room	<u>Subject</u>
l	Cradle Roll	100	See & Know; God Is; God Made; God Loves; Intro. to Creation; Jesus; Family
	Toddlers	102 (Red)	More advanced study of See & Know; God Is; God Made; God Loves; Intro. to Creation; Jesus; Family
l	2 Yr Old	103 (Yellow)	Thank You God, For Making Everything; Thank You God, For Taking Care of Noah;
l		, ,	Thank You God, For Baby Jesus; Thank you God, For Families; Thank You God, For Making
l			Me; New Testament Books
l	3 Yr Old	104 (Green)	Survey of the Entire Bible; Introduction to Old Testament Books; Introduction to Memory Verses
l	4 Yr Old	105 (Blue)	Old Testament Overview; Memory Work
l	Kindergarten	107	New Testament Overview; Memory Work
l	1st Grade	106	Old Testament Survey
l	2nd Grade	108	The Life of Christ; Early Church; Paul
l	3rd Grade	110	Book of Acts/The Church Kids Bible Classes
l	4th Grade	112	Old Testament Book by Book

#### **THIS MORNING**

Greeters: Helen Coltrane/Gerri Dickens Van Driver: Kevin Wuench/833-6134 Nursery: Lauren Brumfield/Tina Orum

#### THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Josh Brumfield
Opening Prayer: Aaron Schwartz
Lesson: Bill McFarland
Closing Prayer: Elijah Morrison
Communion: G. Lund/T. Kraus

Nursery: Michelle Hulett/Lisa Stayton

#### Wednesday, January 29

Song Leader: Jeremy Thurlkill Prayer: John Stayton

Van Driver: Charlie Crum/417-838-7152

#### NEXT WEEK, February 2

AM PM

Song Leader: Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing Travis Morrison
Opening Prayer: Aaron Morrison Brian Carroll
Communion: Eddie Sanders C. Thrasher/A. Barton
Closing Prayer: Brock Snitker John Dutton

Greeters: Barney & Debbie Crawford Van Driver: Brock Snitker/417-830-3851

Nursery: AM: Melinda Barton/Donna Jordan

PM: Linda Tracy/Gloria Luallin

### Bible Classes

#### **SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES**

#### Youth—Adult

Grades 7-12 Priceless: What You Are Worth To God

Andy McFarland Room 122

Ages 18-29 The Life of Jesus in My Everyday Life

Travis Morrison Room 110

Adult: Nighttime Bible Events of Importance for Us

Byron Nichols Auditorium

Adult: A Chronological Study of the Bible

Paul Lines Room 130

Adult What Next? Letters to the Thessalonians

Bill McFarland Room 126

Adult Knowing Christ: A Study of Philippians

**And Colossians** 

Jon Ewing Room 129

#### WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASSES

Adult Rescued: A Study of II Samuel

Bill McFarland Aud.

Teens & 20s Rescued: A Study of II Samuel

Jon Ewing Room 126

# JOIN US FOR BIBLE STUDY!

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#### **Deacons**

Tim Buckner Russell Lilly
Tom Davis Aaron Morrison
Jim Elliff John Stayton
Matt Keener Mike Thurlkill

**Staff** 

Secretary Johnnie Elliff Custodian Tim Bowling

#### Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study ....9:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship......10:00 AM Sunday Evening Worship.......5:00 PM Wednesday Night Bible Class...6:30 PM



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