

This week's Bible Verse

“Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

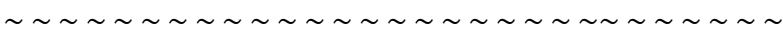


Remember in Prayer:

- *Our Country & leaders
- *Bible Studies currently being held
- *Phyllis Caldwell - health & comfort
- *Rena Morgan - encouragement & health
- *Ernst & Helen Sherrill (Bro/Sis in Christ from TN) - shut ins with ongoing health issues
- *Larry Bey - Parkinson's/health
- *Maxine Jones (Laura McGiffin's mom) - dementia and health issues
- *Debby Braefield (Alena Brown's Aunt) - health
- *Terry McGiffin (John McGiffin's dad) - health & comfort
- *Luanne Listner (wife of Tim Bang's friend, Jim) - health
- *Orville Thompson (Jerry Thompson's dad) - health - prostate cancer
- *Lynn Thompson - health, needs hip surgery (pray for insurance to approve)
- *Karen Oyler (Stephanie Bang's friend) - health, strength and energy
- *Tom Cruze (Phyllis Caldwell's nephew) - health
- *Laura McGiffin - health
- *Viola Schultz - health
- *Billy & IlaMae Jackson (Stephanie Bang's parents) - Billy undergoing radiation treatments, IlaMae's physical strength
- *Nathan Clark (friend of Dustin Desarro) - cancer has returned, prayers for mental/physical/spiritual life
- *Suzanne Grable (Evelyn Lam's friend) - stage 4 cancer
- *Heather McFarland (friend of the Bang's) - cancer
- *Dustin & Sharon Desarro - asking for prayers
- *Michelle Gasper - health issues
- *Marjorie Seiber - hip/knee pain
- *Paulette and her family - asking for prayers
- *Michael Silcott (Kemp's Son-in-law) - dealing with kidney stone(s)
- *Amanda Cummings - recovering from recent surgery

How can we be praying for YOU?

Please call, text or email John (jmcgiffin.yayo@gmail.com) with any prayer requests or announcements you have for the congregation.



Attendance and Contribution Record

Sunday, April 14		Wednesday, April 17	
Bible Classes	26	Bible Classes	24
AM Attendance	30		
PM Attendance	20	Contribution	\$1,203.00



GREENVILLE CHURCH of CHRIST
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April 21, 2024

- Worship Times:**
- Sunday Morning Bible class: 9:30am
 - Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30am
 - Sunday Evening Worship: 6:00pm
 - Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7:00pm

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We are blessed that you have chosen to worship with us. If you are visiting, we would love to have you back with us again. Please take a moment to fill out a visitor's card and let us get to know you.

Do I need to attend Church Every Time we Meet?

By John McGiffin

I keep hearing from members of the church that they don't feel they need to attend on Sunday Evening or Wednesday to be faithful in the church. They claim they are only commanded to assemble on the first day of the week. They further indicate the Bible doesn't tell us how many times we need to assemble.

One of the best things to come from the Devil's Virus is broadcasting services. This has been a blessing to my father who is clearly bedridden with muscular dystrophy. He feels connected with the congregations to which he has long-standing relationships. He sings with the brethren, takes the Lord's Supper, and prays with them. He is edified with the sermon.

One of the worst things to come from the Devil's Virus is broadcasting services. This has been a curse to the local congregations. There have been many who felt since it was ok to worship at home during the "lock down" then it is ok to do so now. Many have not returned to worship. I question whether God would have approved ANY congregation from shutting down. However, this is not a political or divisive article so we will not address my personal views.

There are several things I would like to point out. First, there are approximately 59 "One Another" commands in the New Testament. How can we "receive one another", "Wait for one another", confess to, edify, love, pray for, admonish, etc. without assembling with each other. That is the entire premise of the willful, continual sin in Hebrews chapter 10:25-27.

Secondly, I am reminded of the letter to the editor of a newspaper. Someone complained they did not feel they were getting anything from attending services so many times during the week. After all, in 30 years, they attended Sunday Morning, Sunday Evening and Wednesday Evening every day for a total of 4,680+ lessons and sermons. He claimed he couldn't remember a single one of those lessons including the most recent ones. Isn't this just a waste of time?

The reply was priceless. "I've been married for 30 years now. In that time my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But, for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals. But I do know this... They all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me these meals, I would be physically dead today. Likewise, if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!"

Christ stated in Matthew 4:4 we do not live on bread alone but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. Acts 5:42 indicate that in the first century they did not cease teaching and preaching. They did this EVERY day in EVERY house. And we complain about assembling three times in a week, two days a week. We should be ashamed to even fathom we are better off staying at home when the saints are assembled.

Let's approach assembling as the first Christians did at Pentecost. Acts 2:42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.

Serving AM & PM today and next Sunday AM:

Sunday Rotation	April 21, 2024 AM	April 21, 2024 PM	April 28, 2024 AM
Greeter	Dustin Desarro	Jason Bang	Tom Muter
Announcements		Jason Bang	Duane Kemp
Song Leading	Jason Bang	Duane Kemp	Jason Bang
Opening Prayer/Usher Left	Tim Bang	Tom Muter	Tim Bang
Lord's Supper Comments	Duane Kemp	Tim Bang	Jerry Thompson
Scripture Reading	Seth Arrell	Jerry Thompson	Brandon Fourman
Sermon	John McGiffin	John McGiffin	John McGiffin
Closing Prayer/Usher Right	Jerry Thompson	Judah Gasper	Seth Arrell

Things to know...

Help is needed with communion preparation, if you'd be willing, please sign up on the list on the bulletin board by the entrance.

POTLUCK today!!

Ladies Bible Study - The Crown

Wednesday, May 8th @ 7pm

Ladies Tea on May 11th @ 11:30am

Invitations are on the tea table. Please take them to invite family & friends. We are asking ladies in the congregation to bring a finger food and/or dessert to share. With each invitation you will get a recipe card to write the recipe of what you choose to bring, we will be using those to make a recipe book for you!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Marjorie Seiber 5/1

Doug Hoff 5/18

Curt Thompson 5/22

Happy Anniversary

Tim & Dianna Bang 4/30

John & Laura McGiffin 5/8

Doug & Marjorie Seiber 5/13

