

Bible Verse of the Week

“The LORD is my strength and my shield; My heart trusted in Him, and I am helped; Therefore, my heart greatly rejoices, and with my song I will praise Him.” Psalms 28:7

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Lord’s Supper Reflection – Help Me Believe in the Power of the Cross

Many will try to discredit God/The False Report of the Guards

“Now while they were going, behold, some of the guard came into the city and reported to the chief priests all the things that had happened. When they had assembled with the elders and consulted together, they gave a large sum of money to the soldiers, saying, “Tell them, ‘His disciples came at night and stole Him away while we slept.’ And if this comes to the governor’s ears, we will appease him and make you secure.” So they took the money and did as they were instructed; and this saying is commonly reported among the Jews until this day.” Matthew 28:11-15

Offering Meditation

We are to PRE purpose (not an afterthought) our Gift to God. It is NOT to be done out of obligation but we are to freely give from an attitude of unselfish Love .

“Therefore I thought it necessary to exhort the brethren to go to you ahead of time, and prepare your generous gift beforehand, which you had previously promised, that it may be ready as a matter of generosity and not as a grudging obligation.” 2 Corinthians 9:5

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Remember in Prayer:

- *Our Country & leaders
- *Rena Morgan - Shut in, health
- *Phyllis Caldwell - encouragement
- *Larry Bey - dealing with Parkinson's
- *Jim Nichols (member at MidCounty) - is recovering from heart surgery, also pray for his wife, Jay
- *Delores Fox - dealing with some personal struggles
- *Karen Oyler (friend of Stephanie Bang) - is having surgery for breast cancer, tomorrow 12/6.

- *Dustin & Sharon Disarro - possibly moving to the area, need God’s guidance in the process
- *Sharon Thompson (Jerry Thompson’s mom) is healing from having issues with her knee
- *Family and friends of Teresa Tedder (Holly Martin’s cousin) grieving her passing
- *Faith Wogerman (mom of a family we are giving Christmas meal/gifts to) - has been in the hospital after complications from a procedure she recently had done

How can we be praying for YOU?

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Attendance and Contribution Record

Sunday, November 28		Wednesday, November 24	
Bible Classes	22	Attendance	26
AM Attendance	29	Contribution	\$1,292
PM Attendance	22		

Welcome to the Greenville Church of Christ



December 5, 2021

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 happy that you have chosen to worship with us today. If you are visiting, you are our honored guests and 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 the Work of an Evangelist

By Dan Jenkins

When Paul told Timothy to "Do the work of an evangelist" (2 Tim. 4:5), Timothy knew what that meant. Tragically, far too many preachers today have lost sight of what is involved in this. Timothy understood because he had seen it in the life of the apostle. Paul said to him, "You have carefully followed my doctrine... perseverance... what happened to me..." (2 Tim. 3:10-11). Let's take time to see what Timothy saw in the work Paul did in his three years at Ephesus, as Paul described it to the elders there.

Evangelists serve the Lord. "You know, from the first day I came to Asia, in what manner I always lived among you, serving the Lord..." (Acts 20:19-20). Read the verse again and take time to think about the implication of the words "first" and "always."

Evangelists serve the Lord with all humility. Paul uses the words "... serving the Lord with all humility, with many tears and trials." Contrast these words of Paul with those of Christ who described a far different attitude of other religious leaders. "They loved the best places at feasts, the best seats in the synagogue, greetings in the marketplace and to be called by men, 'Rabbi, Rabbi'" (Matt. 23:6-7). Evangelists serve, not because it is a place of honor in the church, but because it is a place of humble service, oftentimes with tears and trials.

Evangelists do not hold back needed sermons but openly proclaim God's message. "I kept back nothing that was helpful, but proclaimed it to you publicly and from house to house" (Acts 20:20). God's pulpit is not designed to preach lessons which impress the audience and as an avenue to receive compliments about great lessons. Doing the work of an evangelist demands we address the needs of the church.

Evangelists are free from the blood of all who hear them. "I am innocent of the blood of all men. For I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God" (Acts 20:27). There were those who said of Jesus, "His blood be on us and our children" (Matt. 27:25), and they will face God on the day of judgment with that blood on their hands. Some who preach today will find themselves with the blood of lost sinners and church members on their hands. We must preach the *whole counsel of God*. Some are not aware that they can preach for years, never preach anything unscriptural, but fail in changing the lives of others because they hold back and avoid dealing with the real needs of the church.

When Paul told Timothy to do the work of an evangelist and fulfill his ministry, he was not talking about one being an excellent "church administrator." Far too many schools and workshops focus on these skills instead of being a true evangelist. Paul was first a minister of Jesus, not a church minister.

Please call John or email him at jmcgiffin.yayo@gmail.com with any prayer requests or announcements you may have for the congregation.

Things you should know about!

Communion is available as you come in the building, please take only what is needed for today. Hold on to the emblems until the proper time. **Please let John know if you would like to continue doing communion this way or if you would like to go back to the traditional way.**

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## Happy Birthday!!!

Carrie Thompson 12/5

Alena Brown 12/9

Dan Metcalf 12/10

Jerry Thompson 12/18

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The list of food items needed for Christmas meals, as well as a list of items requested as gifts for the families is available... please sign up for what you can. The items will need to be brought back by Sunday, December 19th.

If you can help deliver them, let John or Dianna know.

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Sunday's at 2:00pm John will be conducting a worship service at the Oakley Place Retirement Center at 1275 Northview Dr. in Greenville. A song leader is needed, if you are willing to help, please talk to John.

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Mark your calendar for December 18th and plan to join us for our holiday party!

We will be doing a white elephant gift exchange game (bring something from home or a purchased item for up to \$5).

Bring your favorite holiday snack to share and your holiday cheer!

(Yes, Bryan Allen, you have to!!!)

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If you are interested in teaching a Bible Class, we are in need of teachers for the 1st quarter of 2022. Please let Dianna or John know.

### Serving today and next Sunday:

| Sunday AM Rotation     | December 5, 2021 | December 12, 2021 |
|------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Announcements          | John McGiffin    | John McGiffin     |
| Song Leading           | Owen Whittington | Jason Bang        |
| Opening Prayer         | Jerry Thompson   |                   |
| Lord's Supper Comments | Tim Bang         | Ed Kirchner       |
| Scripture Reading      | Chris McGiffin   | Aiden Rohr        |
| Sermon                 | John McGiffin    | John McGiffin     |
| Closing Prayer         | Duane Kemp       | Curt Thompson     |