



Bible Verse of the Week

“Unless the LORD builds the house, They labor in vain who build it; Unless the LORD guards the city, The watchman stays awake in vain.”

Psalms 127:1

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**Lord’s Supper Reflection**

*Jesus Died To Free Us From the Fear of Death*

Hebrews 2:14-15 “In as much then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.”

**Offering Meditation**

*Your Gift to God is to be Freewill (not Coerced)*

**Ezra 1:4** “And whoever is left in any place where he dwells, let the men of his place help him with silver and gold, with goods and livestock, besides the freewill offerings for the house of God which *is* in Jerusalem.”

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Remember in Prayer:

- *Rena Morgan - Shut in, health
- *Alexa Rohr - eyesight
- *Phyllis Caldwell - her eyesight
- *Tim Bang - dealing with knee pain
- *Maxine Jones (Laura McGiffin’s mom) - Shut in, health
- *Terry McGiffin (John McGiffin’s dad) - health
- *Doug Hoff - health
- *David King (John McGiffin’s uncle) and his wife Lona - David has heart failure
- *Charlie Lane (friends of the Bang’s)
- *Alena’s little brother, Josiah - upcoming heart surgery (has a pre-op appt on 9/9)
- *Dale Thomas - New brother in Christ
- *Teresa Sapp (Jerry Thompson’s aunt) - has cancer, hospice has been called in
- *Tim McGlothin’s family dealing with the loss of several family members recently
- *The Bang’s will be traveling this week.
- *Greg Whistler - has fibrosis

How may we be praying for YOU?

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**Attendance and Contribution Record**

| Sunday, August 30 |    | Wednesday, September 2 |          |
|-------------------|----|------------------------|----------|
| Bible Classes     | 30 | Attendance             | 34       |
| AM Attendance     | 38 |                        |          |
| PM Attendance     | 36 | Contribution           | \$599.00 |

# Welcome to Greenville Church of Christ



## September 6, 2020

**Worship Times:**

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

Minister, John McGiffin

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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.

## Members in Isolation

By Doug Dingley

It is a simple, well-known, and time worn illustration... but the clear Biblical truth it should bring to our minds is just as strong, relevant, and unflinching as ever. It is, in fact, a truth made even more scary in light of the current pandemic... You're sitting around a campfire and someone takes a stick and separates one of the red-hot, glowing embers, from the group of similarly on-fire embers surrounding it; subsequently removing it to a place in the sand all by itself. What happens? You can watch as the lone ember quickly loses its fire and goes out, becoming nothing more than just another burnt-out element of the deepening darkness all around it. It is only if it is relocated back into the presence of its other on-fire and still light-giving counterparts – before it goes totally out – that it is able to regain any semblance of its former fire and light-giving glow. (Isn't it interesting that all you have to add to the word "embers," is an "m," in order to get "**members**...?")

The same is true for separated Christians. This is why personal, face-to-face, spiritually intimate fellowship with one another is, and always has been, one of the foundational, and all-consuming pillars of the Lord's church (Acts 2:42). Such fellowship is vital both to and for everyone, from the very first moment they repent and are baptized into Christ for the forgiveness of their sins and are thus added to the Lord's church (Acts 2:38-47). This is why the Apostle Paul additionally and repeatedly emphasized that same Biblical truth with the illustration of how the members of the body of Christ need to constantly be, pull, work, worship, and fellowship together, just the same as all of the individual parts and members of a human body must do for the ongoing benefit of not only the entire body, but for the benefit of each and every one of its individual parts or members as well (Rom. 12:4-5; 1 Cor. 12:12-27; Eph. 4:11-16).

Some have chosen and many for good reason to isolate for health reasons. We need to be watchful, check on each other because in their personally isolated and separated state, Satan, like a roaring lion licking his chops, is more than likely 'drooling,' seeking to have a field day picking us off and devouring us one by one; knowing that our vulnerability has likely never been higher, and that there are fewer of us than ever thus able to cover one another's back. His eternal-soul-consuming mission remains the same; although our ability to all be physically together to help protect, strengthen, and encourage one another has been severely diminished.

Therefore, we must each make it our total life and death mission – our absolute top priority – to determine to fight for our eternal lives like never before; to not only maintain, but to heartily grow, strengthen, and to fight to the death to defend our personal relationship with Jesus, as well as our love and fellowship for and with one another, on a daily basis.

Serving today and next week:

| Sunday AM Rotation     | September 06, 2020 | September 13, 2020 |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Announcements          |                    | Tim Bang           |
| Song Leading           | Brian Allen        | Isaac Mayes        |
| Opening Prayer         | Guest              | Tim Bang/Guest     |
| Lord's Supper Comments |                    | Jason Bang         |
| Scripture Reading      | Chris McGiffin     | Aiden Rohr         |
| Sermon                 | John McGiffin      | John McGiffin      |
| Closing Prayer         | Aiden Rohr         | Isaiah Rohr        |

## Announcements:

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.

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Men's Meeting - Saturday, September 9th
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Gospel Meeting:
Theme - Focus on the Family
September 20-23 with Steven Haguewood
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Potluck for September will be after morning worship on September 20th.

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Daily Bible readings for this week's Bible class:
 Topics: The Wise King; Lazy or Determined

- 1 Chronicles 28:1-10
- 1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12
- 1 Kings 3:5-28
- 1 Kings 4:20-21, 34
- 1 Kings 8:1-11, 22-29, 55-61
- Joshua 1:1-9
- Joshua 10:29, 31, 34, 36, 38, 40
- Proverbs 10:26
- Proverbs 13:4
- Proverbs 26:12-16
- Acts 9:36
- 1 Corinthians 15:58
- Ephesians 2:8
- Philippians 3:12-14

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**Happy Anniversary!**  
 Ed and Suki Kirchner 9/8

**Happy Birthday!**  
 Merrill Clapp 9/15      Laura McGiffin 9/29

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