

WARNINGS

Several months ago, I was driving down the road when I realized I didn’t have my sunglasses. The sun was low and directly in my eyes, so I reached back into a tool bag and found an old pair of glasses. I put them on and suddenly I could see. The only problem was that these glasses had shade 5 green lenses, typically used for welding and cutting torches. Everything was going fine until someone stopped in front of me, and I couldn’t see their brake lights. I suddenly slammed on the brakes, narrowly avoiding an accident. Quickly, I removed the glasses and decided to deal with the sun. That day, I remembered an important lesson I had once forgotten...green lenses block out red light.

Have you ever thought about how much of a blessing it is to have brake lights? Being able to see when someone is stopping in front of you is something we might overlook, but those lights serve as an important warning, helping us avoid potential dangers ahead. Having those warnings allows us to play it safe and steer clear of accidents and hazards. Of course, anyone who drives understands the importance of brake lights and hazard signs, yet we often struggle to apply the same principles when it comes to sin.

Instead of watching for the warning signs of sin, we go through life wearing shade 5 lenses, allowing ourselves to get as close as possible before we're suddenly caught in an “accident.” But can I really call it an accident if I put on glasses that block out the brake lights—or worse, drive with my eyes closed—and then crash into the car in front of me? The same is true of sin. We must be aware of our surroundings and anticipate temptations that might distract our vision from Christ. **1 Peter 5:8** tells us, “Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.”

No one accidentally sins. God gives us warning signs. **James 1:14-15** says, “But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.” We must recognize the things that tempt us and avoid them at all costs. Think of David, for example. Temptation led him to become an adulterer and a murderer, but did that happen by mistake? **2 Samuel 11:2-3** says, “It happened, late one afternoon, when David arose from his couch and was walking on the roof of the king’s house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; and the woman was very beautiful. And

David sent and inquired about the woman. And one said, “Is not this Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?”

David blinded himself and ignored warning signs of temptation. First, he saw Bathsheba bathing. Then, he recognized her beauty. Next, he inquired about her. Even after learning that she was the wife of one of his own mighty men, an elite group of his 37 best soldiers, he still proceeded. **2 Samuel 11:4** tells us that he sent for her. At what point should David have realized he was heading down a dangerous path? Seeing Bathsheba could have been avoided entirely if he had kept his eyes where they belonged. However, he allowed temptation to block out all the warnings of the dangers ahead.

We must walk carefully and always be alert to the temptations in our lives. When we see the signs of temptation, rather than pushing forward, we should slow down and seek a way to avoid trouble. Fortunately, God does not leave us alone in this battle against temptation and sin. **1 Corinthians 10:13** says, “No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.” God promises to provide us with a way to escape sin, but we cannot close our eyes and expect to find that way out.

Finally, we must recognize that when we do sin, we need to repent and turn to God. Just as we see in David and Bathsheba’s story, where temptation led to sin, we can also look to David as an example of what to do next. When David came to his senses after being confronted by Nathan, he said, “I have sinned against the Lord.” We, too, must be willing to confess that we have sinned against God, lay it aside, repent, and follow Him. Because in Christ, we receive the same promise David received. In **2 Samuel 12:13**, Nathan tells David, “The Lord also has put away your sin; you shall not die.” Do not put on blinders when it comes to temptation and sin. If you find yourself ignoring the warnings of temptation, take off the glasses and set your eyes on Jesus. **Hebrews 12:1-2.** **Andrew Spivey**

BAPTIZED

Shelley, a frequent visitor was baptized on Sunday February 23 after the morning services. Let us rejoice with Shelley as she has decided to follow Christ.

COORDINATED BIBLE CLASS STUDIES  
Sunday Read – Exodus 4  
Wednesday Read – Exodus 5

Questions for last week’s reading of; **Exodus 2:1-5; 3; 18:2-4.**

- Questions:
- 1. What did Moses’ mother do with him to keep him from being killed by the Egyptians?
  - 2. Who found baby Moses in the Nile river?
  - 3. Why did Moses run away from Egypt?
  - 4. What did Moses see on Mt. Sinai?
  - 5. What 2 excuses did Moses give to God about leading the Israelites out of Egypt?

UPCOMING EVENTS

- \* **4:15 Singing class every Sunday\***  
**Truth Seekers every Sunday @ 5pm**
- March 4 – TNT 6:00 pm  
Ladies Bible Class 6:30 pm
- March 9 – Daylight Savings Time set clocks  
1 hour forward
- March 15 – Excel’s 6 pm
- March 18 – TNT – 6 pm  
Ladies Bible Class 6:30 pm
- March 20 – Senior Group 5 pm
- March 30 – Fifth Sunday Singing PM Service

SYMPATHY

Our Love and sympathy to **Faye Britt** and family on the passing of her husband, **Myrlen**, who passed on February 20th. Funeral services were held on Monday, February 24<sup>th</sup> in Hendersonville.

Our Love and sympathy to **Kevin White** on the passing of his mother, **Irene Simonton**. Arrangements are not known currently.

*The Lord is near to all who call on him,  
to all who call on him in truth.*  
**Psalms 145:18**

ORDER OF SERVICES  
SUNDAY  
March 2, 2025  
9:00 AM  
BIBLE STUDY

(Classes for Nursery – High School upstairs)

Song Leader.....Matt Ellis  
Opening Prayer.....Jim Cherry  
Auditorium Lesson.....Andrew Spivey

10:00 AM SERVICE

Welcome.....Allyn Hosman  
Scripture Reading.....Kevin Siler  
Song Leader.....Matt Ellis  
Opening Prayer.....Tim Strickland  
Lord's Supper.....Bob Brown  
Servers.....J. Sever, C. Nelsen, R. Buck  
M. Lyle, G. Messer, D. Thompson  
Sermon.....Andrew Spivey  
Closing Prayer.....Tim Cummins

4:15 Singing Class  
5:00 PM SERVICE

Welcome.....Allyn Hosman  
Song Leader.....Matt Ellis  
Opening Prayer.....Jonathan Senn  
Sermon.....Andrew Spivey  
Lord's Supper.....Tony Butler  
Closing Prayer.....Fate Evans

WEDNESDAY  
March 5, 2025  
7:00 PM

Welcome.....Allyn Hosman  
Song Leader.....Matt Ellis  
Opening Prayer.....Garrett Rowlett  
Lesson.....Andrew Spivey  
Closing Prayer.....Carl Newby  
Ushers for March.....Z. Tooley/A. Williamson  
Communion Care for March.....David Johnson  
Door Greeters – West Door.....C/P Newby  
East Door.....L/J Clark  
Visitor's Desk Volunteer.....Linda Cherry

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# SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study 9:00 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship 5:00 p.m. - Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

**SICK LIST**

Evelyn Harris is now home. Tony Perry is home. Jonell Vaughn, mother of Rita Strickland, is back home. Ethan Huffard son-in-law of Carl & Pam Newby has completed his chemo treatments. He returns to the doctor in six months. Roscoe Smith father of Brent Smith has been diagnosed with 2 cancerous tumors. Treatments will start soon. Larry Bailey, son of Tina Bailey a former member, has been diagnosed with lung cancer. He has begun chemo.

**PRAYER LIST**

Wanda Seals; Lena Baggett; Hugh Fulford; Maddie Andrews; Mary Spivey; Ottis & Maxine Cothron; Shauna Lockett; Tony Perry; Jean Knowles; Zach Tooley; Mary Ann Reinhart; Sandi Jones; Pat Watson; Frances Catron; Jackie Williams; Pat Crump; Ethan Huffard son-in-law of Carl & Pam Newby; Heather Lemley daughter of Michael & Cathy Lemley; Jean McCurdy mother of Olivia Nelsen; Elaine Reynolds, friend of Christie Coleman; Alan Greene, nephew of Carl & Pam Newby; Bethany Shoulders, granddaughter of Evelyn Harris; Vycki Puckett, daughter of Jack & Anita Cato; Ty Tyler son of Ann Tyler; Ida Lou Sherrill, mother of Alex Sherrill; Taylor Lackford, niece of Brenda Veale; Dustin Lackford, nephew of Brenda Veale; Larry Conley, friend of Wanda Proctor; Harold Cole, friend of Lena Baggett; Bobbie Carter, sister of Janice Johnson; Walter Wooten, brother of Wanda Sherrill; Aza Topik, grandson of Charlie & Wanda Seals.

Jean Deaton, Mary Spivey  
(new addresses for both Jean & Mary,  
please call the office)

We depend on families and friends to help us update  
this list. Please notify us of any changes.

**OUR RECORD THIS WEEK**

Bible Study.....	102
Morning Worship.....	158
Sunday Evening.....	75
Wednesday Evening.....	71
Contribution.....	\$7,073.00
Youth Group Account.....	\$12,076.00

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