

WILL YOU STILL TRUST HIM

This past week, my mother had to relive something that no parent or grandparent wants to experience. Taylor had to work, and I had a previously scheduled appointment, so my mom had to take Rhett to get his four-month-old shots. From what I've heard, it went about as well as any set of baby shots can go. She told me Rhett was smiling and laughing as they weighed him and took his measurements. He was laying on the table, eagerly waiting for whatever came next—completely unaware. And then... *stick*. Not just once, but four times. After the last shot, Rhett was screaming in horror, unsure of what had just happened. By the end, both Rhett and my mom were in tears. What Rhett couldn't understand in that moment though was that what she allowed to happen was for his own good. But it was what she said after the appointment that I will always remember. After it was all done, my mom said, "I hope that he will still trust me."

That one line stuck with me, because it reminded me of how God often deals with us when it comes to our faith. Sometimes, He leads us into situations that don't make sense, places that hurt, stretch us, and feel overwhelming. He doesn't always call us to comfort or clarity, but to trust Him. When we're in the middle of pain, when everything around us seems impossible, that's when our faith is truly tested. Do we believe that He knows what's best for us, even when we don't understand it?

2 Corinthians 4:17-18 says, "or this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal." Life has a way of weighing us down. Whether it's pain, disappointment, illness, or uncertainty, the struggles we face can feel anything but "light" or "momentary." Yet, Paul who endured beatings, shipwrecks, imprisonment, and much more describes his own suffering with those very words.

How could he say that? Because he had a different perspective. He fixed his eyes not on the pain, but on the promise. He chose to trust God, even in the hardest moments. That kind of trust isn't easy, especially during difficult or painful times, when all we can often see is the darkness in front of us. But even then, God calls us to look to Him in faith, because He will take care of you.

In Matthew 14, we find Jesus' disciples in a boat and the waves and wind are pushing against them.

Suddenly, off in the distance, they see Jesus walking towards them. Verse 26 tells us that when they saw Him, they were terrified. After Jesus told them not to be afraid, "Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." (**Matthew 14:28-30**)

It was at that moment that Peter did what many do when facing trials. He took his focus away from the one in control and began to look at the problems all around. He began to doubt his own ability to stand against the wind and the waves. But, it was at that same moment, Peter learned how to overcome those struggles. He called out to Jesus. **Matthew 14:31-33** tells us that "Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Jesus not only saved Peter from sinking, but He also silenced the storm. That's what God does. He may not remove the struggle right away, but He promises to be with us through it, and to bring us safely to the other side. **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 is faithful. He will carry you through the storms of life, through the pain, through the trials. But here's the real question: *Will you still trust Him?* Even when it hurts, even when it doesn't make sense, even when the "shots" come and leave us crying, will we trust that our Father still loves us and is doing what's best? "Do not fear what you are about to suffer... Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life." (**Revelation 2:10**) He's not asking for perfection. He's asking for trust. Will you give it to Him?

Andrew Spivey

HEARING

If you are having hearing issues during services please let the Elders or the office know. There are some technical options that could be considered if we have the need for those with hearing impairments.

COORDINATED BIBLE CLASS STUDIES
Sunday Read – Joshua 7
Wednesday Read – Joshua 8

Questions for last week's reading of;
Joshua 5 & 6

Questions:

- 1. What feast did the Israelites celebrate when they Entered Canaan?
- 2. What did God stop sending the Israelites?
- 3. Who did Joshua meet when he was near Jericho?
- 4. How many days did the Israelites march around Jericho, and how many times each day?
- 5. Who was saved from Jericho?

UPCOMING EVENTS

* 4:15 Singing class every Sunday*
Truth Seekers every Sunday @ 5pm

- May 18 – Fellowship Meal after AM service
Recognizing Lads to Leader &
Upcoming graduates
- May 26 – Memorial Day/church office closed
- May 27 – TNT - 6pm
Ladies Bible class - 6:30pm

GRADUATION

High School, College, and Trade School Graduations are taking place in the next few weeks. If you have a child, grandchild, niece or nephew graduating this year, please send their name, where they graduated from, groups they were a part of, and future plans. Please send pictures, info and email to: secnashroad@gmail.com.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL

There will be a Fellowship Meal on **Sunday, May 18th** following the morning service. We will be recognizing all who helped in any way with Lads to Leaders. There is a signup sheet in the foyer.

SYMPATHY

Our Love & Sympathy to the family of **Carlos Downey**, a frequent visitor, and father-in-law of **Wayne Clifford**, who passed on May 10th. Graveside services were held in Hohenwald on Thursday, May 15.

Our love and sympathy to **Mattie Carter** on the passing of her brother **Danny McCullough**, who passed away on May 7th. His Memorial was held on May 13th in Gallatin.

VBS 2025 – July 16-19: Wed – Fri 6-8 PM Sat 4 PM

ORDER OF SERVICES
SUNDAY
May 18, 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.....Ben Hutson
Scripture Reading.....Mike Lyle
Song Leader.....Matt Ellis
Opening Prayer.....Tim Strickland
Lord's Supper.....Jonathan Senn
Servers.....J. Crawford; T. Butler; Z. Tooley
G. Rowlett; A. Williamson; G. Messer
Sermon.....Andrew Spivey
Closing Prayer.....Bob Sever

5:00 PM SERVICE

Welcome.....Ben Hutson
Song Leader.....Matt Ellis
Opening Prayer.....Carl Newby
Sermon.....Andrew Spivey
Lord's Supper.....Brent Smith
Closing Prayer.....Corey Nelsen

WEDNESDAY
May 21, 2025
7:00 PM

Welcome.....Ben Hutson
Song Leader.....Matt Ellis
Opening Prayer.....Tim Cummins
Lesson.....Andrew Spivey
Closing Prayer.....Bob Brown
Ushers for May.....R. Buck/L. Clark
Communion Care for May.....J. Law/B. Hall
Door Greeters – West Door.....B/T Brown
East Door.....T/J Cummins
Visitor's Desk Volunteer.....Pam Newby

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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

Anita Cato had hip surgery, at NHC Sumner Room 4050A. Jean Knowles is home. Bobbie Stephens is home and doing better. Larry Hammock, uncle of Andrew Spivey will be undergoing chemo & radiation treatments. Wayne Hunt, cousin of Tim Cummins, had a bone marrow transplant. Chuck Tooley, father of Zach Tooley, home with health issues. Roscoe Smith, father of Brent Smith has started his treatments for cancer. Larry Bailey, son of Tina Bailey a former member, had his last radiation treatment.



PRAYER LIST

Wanda Seals; Lena Baggett; Stella Messer; Hugh Fulford; Maddie Andrews; Mary Spivey; Ottis & Maxine Cothron; Shauna Lockett; 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; Ariel Clift, niece of Tarina Brown; 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.

SHUT-INS

Jean Deaton, Mary Spivey

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

OUR RECORD THIS WEEK

Bible Study.....	85
Morning Worship.....	130
Sunday Evening.....	64
Wednesday Evening.....	
Contribution.....	\$9,182.00
Youth Group Account.....	\$7,058.00

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