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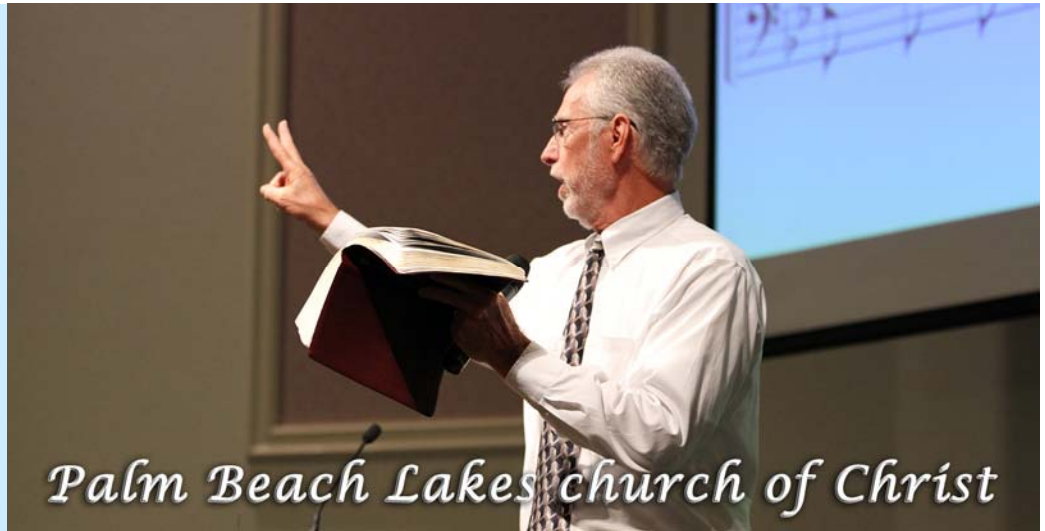
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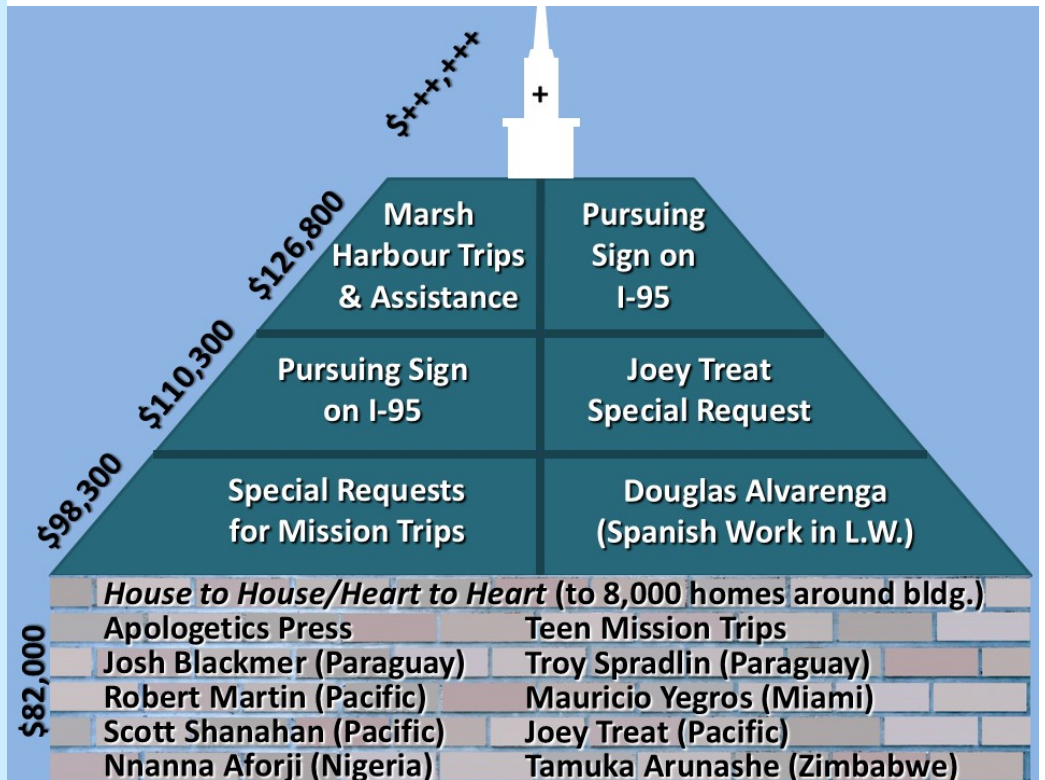
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MISSION SUNDAY 2014

January 26

**Every dollar given will be used
for PBL Mission Work.**



**May God bless us,
use us & be glorified in us!**





By Dan Jenkins

Do you know anyone in the top 3% of the wealthy?

There is a great danger when Americans ignore those verses in the Bible which discuss the dangers of riches. The average annual income in America is about \$47,000. That number is the gross amount you receive, not the amount you bring home after the deductions at work. With that in mind consider the following. If you make \$41,000 each year you are in the top 3% of the wealthiest people living on the earth. There are approximately seven billion people on the earth and three billion of them make less than \$2 per day! This means that over forty percent of people earn less than \$14 per day or less than \$800 per year. Those verses about riches apply to all of us!

The dangers of riches. The wisdom of Solomon so vividly describes the dangers that Americans face. He asked the Lord to grant him two things. One was that he would not be poor and be tempted to become a thief. The other concerned riches. "Give me neither poverty nor riches—feed me with the food allotted to me; lest I be full and deny You and say, 'Who is the Lord'" (Prov. 30:8-9). His words are easily understood, yet difficult for Americans to apply since so few realize that most of the world knows we are rich.

Riches are not sinful. Having money is not sinful. Abraham, the friend of God, was very rich. His wealth was de-

scribed by his servant. "He has become rich; and He has given him flocks and herds, and silver and gold, and servants and maids, and camels and donkeys" (Gen. 24:35). This is further seen in the fact that he had 318 men who were trained and able to go to war to rescue Lot (Gen. 14:14). Job was also an extremely wealthy man who was described by God as a "...man that was blameless and upright," and yet his wealth made him "...the greatest of all the people of the east" (Job 1:1-3).

The words are not just for those in Palm Beach, but to those in West Palm Beach

God's special message to "rich" Americans.

The Lord gives nine direct commands to those who are rich (1 Tim. 6:17-19). I beg that you prayerfully consider them.

1. Do not become haughty because you are rich.
2. Do not trust in uncertain riches.
3. Do trust in God.
4. Do good by using your money.
5. Be rich in good works, not just rich.
6. Always be ready to give.
7. Always be willing to share.
8. Use your money to store up treasures in heaven.
9. Use your money to lay hold on eternal life.

These words do not just apply to those in "Palm Beach." Ask those whose annual income is less than \$800. They apply to those in "West Palm Beach"!



By David Sproule

When It's Ok to Stop Preaching the Gospel

Is it ever permissible to stop preaching to people about the love of God, the sacrifice of Jesus, the church of Christ, the plan of salvation or the glory of heaven? Some of us would answer, "Absolutely not! We must never stop preaching the gospel to anyone and everyone!" It is true that our Lord has given us the task and responsibility to take the good news of Jesus Christ to every person on the face of the earth. However, did you know that God gives you permission to stop preaching to some people? That might sound contradictory or counter-intuitive, but in the wisdom of God it is prudent and necessary.

Consider the instructions of Jesus in this regard. "Do not give what is holy to the dogs; nor cast your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you in pieces" (Matt. 7:6). There are persons whom Jesus described as "dogs" and "hogs"—vile, incorrigible creatures who want nothing to do with God, His ways or His Word. What did Jesus say was our responsibility toward such persons? Do not give that which is holy and valuable to them! Would this not include the message of salvation? Is there anything more holy and valuable?

Perhaps we can use Jesus' words in Mark 6:11 as His own commentary on Matthew 7:6. Who are these "dogs" and

"hogs"? "And whoever will not receive you nor hear [your words], when you depart from there, shake off the dust under your feet as a testimony against them" (cf. Matt. 10:14).

In the book of Acts, we see an example of Paul following these instructions. He shook the dust off his feet when persecuted in Antioch of Pisidia (13:51) and then again toward the Jews in Corinth. Notice four things Paul did (in Acts 18:6) in fulfilling the instructions to stop preaching to certain people.

"Do not give what is holy to the dogs; nor cast your pearls before swine."

He distanced himself from the antagonists.

"He shook his garments." The Lord did not require him to continue preaching to blasphemers.

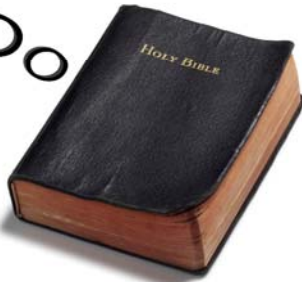
He disclosed the antagonist's personal responsibility.

"Your blood be upon your own heads." He did not discontinue preaching without telling them, one more time, of the consequences of their sinful ways.

He disavowed any responsibility for their guilt. "I am clean." He had done his part, fulfilled his charge, and the Lord gave him permission to move on.

He directed his efforts toward more fertile soil. "From now on I will go to the Gentiles." He did not stop preaching altogether. He just took the message of salvation to others, searching for those who had more receptive hearts.

Don't ever stop preaching! Just keep soil searching!



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Gallio has a lesson for all legislators and judges today

While preaching in Corinth on his second missionary journey, some Jews rose up in opposition to Paul (as they were accustomed to doing) and hauled him before the local court system, accusing him of things “contrary to the law” (Acts 18:12-13). Gallio, the local proconsul, responded forthrightly, “If it were a matter of wrongdoing or wicked crimes” (i.e., against the law of the land), “there would be reason why I should bear with you.” Then, he continued, “But if it is a question of words and names and your own law” (i.e., “Jesus,” “the Christ,” “the Messiah,” the Law of Moses), “look to it yourselves; for I do not want to be a judge of such matters” (18:14-15). Gallio refused to allow matters of faith to be decided in the civil court. Being a Christian was not against the law; teaching Christian doctrine wasn’t against the law; practicing Christian living and service wasn’t against the law. Therefore, “he drove them from the judgment seat.”

Today’s legislators and judges would do well to pay attention to Gallio! Christianity is not against the law in this land (as of now)! Matters of Christian faith (its teaching and practice) should not be decided in the civil court system! There is a Higher Law at stake here! – DS

From whence cometh a Christian’s strength?

Are you a strong Christian? If so, how do you know? If not, how do you know? What makes a strong Christian? How can a Christian truly know if he is weak or strong? It is not a matter of feeling – “I feel strong.” That’s not the gauge. It is not a matter of other’s opinions – “You are a strong Christian.” That’s not the gauge. From whence then cometh a Christian’s strength?

The apostle John penned, “I have written to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the wicked one” (1 John 2:14). The two present tense verbs are linked together – “you ARE strong...the word of God ABIDES in you.” As with physical strengthening, spiritual strengthening takes energy, effort and endurance in lifting the weight of God’s Word and pressing it into the depths of one’s soul.

The word strengthens...the strong overcome...and overcomers are victorious (5:4). Now, back to the question: *Are you a strong Christian?* How often do you work out in God’s gym? – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Donna Armstrong	cancer has returned aggressively, chemo treatments
Bethany Bertram	diagnosed with CMT in her feet
Janet Hickerson	in a lot of pain
Judie Jenkins	foot surgery postponed
Leigh Puckett	recovering from heart catheterization
Norm Smedley	recovering at home from medical testing
Karen Watts	recovering at home
Cherylann Wineinger	diagnosed with scoliosis

Long-Term Health Issues

Donna Armstrong	monthly chemo treatments
Lennie Langley	Palms Edge, Hospice Care
Deidra Miley	dialysis treatments
Silas Moses	dialysis treatments
Charles Norton	dialysis treatments
Gene Puckett	dialysis treatments
Les Sawyer	radiation treatments
Norman Smedley	at home and very weak
Patricia Ventress	both kidneys removed



Tim Cox, upon the passing of **his mother, Jean Cox**, and also to **Kay Richardson**, upon the passing of **her mother, Vera Mitchell**.

Our Shut-Ins:	Margie Fortenberry	Margie Hardin	Gladys Jackson	Leigh Puckett	Margaret Wade	
	Vera Day	Helen Gardner	Loretta Holaday	Jean McMasters	Ray Seay	Karen Watts
	Cora Lee Dennis	Margaret Griffo	Shelton Howell	Betty Matter	Ricky Smedley	

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Prescolita Clough	Marcia Clough-Moss' mother, possible mini-strokes
Sada Davis	Silas Moses' sister, in ICU in New York
Randall Deem	Allison Roman's brother, recovering from heart attack
Billie Earhart	Cindy Nelson's grandmother, lung cancer
Ida Hackett	Marcia Clough-Moss' grandmother, JFK on ventilator
Lisa Hayes	Cynthia Ingraham's sister, suffering with heart problems
Mason Lerro	Richard & Judy Lerro's great-grandson, NICU on ventilator
Peggy McKeal	Ruth Lipford's daughter, having chemo treatments again
Cynthia Noel	W. & B. Arthur's granddaughter, heart & kidney issues
Ella Rollins	Carolyn Preston's mother, Alzheimer's & not doing well
Angela Scruggs	Marcia Clough-Moss' cousin, ICU at Good Sam Hospital

Pray for Our Missionaries

Josh & Cara Blackmer	Paraguay
Troy & Andrea Spradlin	Paraguay
Robert & Mary Martin	Pacific Islands
Scott & Rebecca Shanahan	Pacific Islands
Joey & Tammy Treat	Pacific Islands
Tamuka Arunashe	Zimbabwe
Nnanna Aforgi	Nigeria
Apologetics Press	Montgomery, AL
Mauricio Yegros	Coral Springs, FL



Church Family Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 26

- ◆ **Mission Sunday.** Every dollar given will be used for mission work.
- ◆ **EDP Meeting** at 4:00 p.m. in the Family Room.

Monday, January 27

- ◆ **Monday Night Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room.

Tuesday, January 28

- ◆ **Tuesday Morning Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Room.

Saturday, February 1

- ◆ **Ladies' Day hosted by Sebring Parkway.** Alisa Leonard will be speaking on "Pearls & Lace: A Woman of Worth." RSVP by January 29. See the bulletin board for more details.

Sunday, February 2

- ◆ **Renova Nursing Home Visit** at 2:30 p.m.

Friday-Sunday, February 7-9

- ◆ **Mother/Daughter Retreat at CFBC.**

Saturday, February 8

- ◆ **Sweetheart Banquet hosted by the Jr. High Youth.** Begins at 5:00 p.m. PBL members 55+ years old or married 25+ years are invited. RSVP to David or Traci Sproule.
- ◆ **Area-Wide Congregational Singing hosted by Jog Road** at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday-Wednesday, February 9-12

- ◆ **Gospel Meeting hosted by the Belle Glade congregation.** Alfred Woodard will be speaking each night at 7:00 p.m. (Monday-Wednesday). *We have designated Tuesday night as PBL night. Let's try to support this effort of this good congregation.*

Friday-Sunday, February 21-23

- ◆ **Gospel Meeting hosted by the Sebastian congregation.** David Sproule will be speaking each night on "I Want to Be a Worker for the Lord."

Friday-Sunday, February 28-March 2

- ◆ **Scrap the Weekend at CFBC.** Go to www.cfbiblecamp.org for more details.



Palm Beach Lakes

Young Adults

Saturday, February 1

- ◆ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the Shelt's. See Ivan for more details.

Friday-Monday, February 14-17

- ◆ **Young Adult Camping Trip** at Fisheating Creek Outpost. The cost is \$33 per person (camping fee and food included). You must pay by February 5. See Ivan Villard, Darin Summerlot or Rachel Fuller for more details.

Saturday, March 1

- ◆ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of David & Traci Sproule.

Sunday, March 16

- ◆ **Young Adult Meeting** after evening worship in Adult 1.

Saturday, April 5

- ◆ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. See Ivan Villard for details.



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Youth

Sunday, January 26

- ◆ **Sr. High Devo** after evening worship at the home of Dan & Loni Fuller. Bring drinks and desserts to share.
- ◆ **Jr. High Family Devo** after evening worship. This is an important devo for all Jr. High families to attend to review plans for 2014.

Saturday, February 1

- ◆ **Sr. High Airboat Show** from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Corbett Everglades Youth Camp. Cost is \$10. Sign up on the bulletin board. See Marty or Leslie Williams for more details.

Saturday, February 8

- ◆ **Sr. High Service Project** from noon until 2:00 p.m. See Marty & Leslie Williams for more details.
- ◆ **Sweetheart Banquet hosted by the Jr. High Youth** at 5:00 p.m. Jr. High Youth need to be at the building by 3:30 p.m. See David or Traci Sproule for details.

Sunday, February 9

- ◆ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship.

PALM BEACH LAKES CHURCH OF CHRIST

Men's Worship Service Assignments - February, 2014

February 2

February 9

February 16

February 23

Morning Worship Service					
Song Leader	Gary Friedly	David McLeod	Gary Friedly	Matt Ellis	
Opening Prayer	Jack Jagers	L.H. Richardson	Jeff Goodale	Stephen Beleich	
Scripture Reading	Jerry Pittman	Grant Fuller	David Thorpe	Taylor Reeves	
Presiding at Table	Justin Maloney	Phil Porter	Gary Jenkins	Eugene Williams	
Serving at Table:	Pete Brown	Jimmy Banks	Chad Brown	Henry Bass	
	Tim Fry	David Brown	Lance Collier	Doug Carrick	
	Bobby Ingraham	Chuck Clark	Jim Davis	Gorman Ericksen	
	Jeff Leslie	Freddie Gadson	Namdidie Ikon	Richard Lerro	
	Ken Long	Charles Hayes	Brent Leslie	Orlando Lolo	
	Vincent Rogers	David Payne	Tommy Pauldo	Jeremy Maloney	
	Tyrone Toson	Chuck Reeves, Sr.	Jim Rogers	Scott Studer	
	Ken Worsham	Mike Trujillo	Chris Thomas	Lawrence Williams	
Closing Prayer	Richard Watson	Brandon Thomas	Bill Ingram, Jr.	David Holaday	

Evening Worship Service					
Song Leader		Stephen Beleich	Jerry Pittman	Bobbo Lupo	
Opening Prayer		Kane Campbell	Chris Thompson	Dan McLeod	
Scripture Reading	Special Worship	Bob Higbee	Joe Holland	Nate Nelson	
Presiding at Table	Service Conducted	Darin Summerlot	Gary Friedly	Alex Lane	
		Matt Ellis	Ted Friesner	Dave Payne	
Serving at Table:	By Teen Men	Nick Pietro	John Kemp	Clayton Trujillo	
		Brad Shelt	Marty Williams	Leonard Williams	
		Mike Archer	Dick Kelley	Mike Ellis	
Closing Prayer		Mike Archer	Dick Kelley	Mike Ellis	

Alternates:					
	Gary Seames	Tim Cox	Novel Brown	Cam Crotts	
	Ivan Villard, Jr.	Paul Metzkes	Rick Hall	Glen Dawson	

Technical Assignments					
<i>Morning:</i>	Computer	Taylor Reeves	Nate Nelson	Bob Higbee	Brad Shelt
	Audio	Jon Erickson	Bobbo Lupo	Ivan Villard, Jr.	David Brown
	Video	Cam Crotts	Dan McLeod	Scott Studer	Darin Summerlot
<i>Evening:</i>	Computer	David Sproule	Nate Nelson	Bob Higbee	Brad Shelt
	Audio	Jon Erickson	Bobbo Lupo	Ivan Villard, Jr.	David Brown
	Video	Cam Crotts	Dan McLeod	Scott Studer	Darin Summerlot

Ushers - Morning & Evening Services (Sunday & Wednesday)					
	Feb. 2 & 5	Feb. 9 & 12	Feb. 16 & 19	Feb. 23 & 26	
Head Usher	Victor Colage →				
	Dan McLeod	Gene Puckett	Les McQuinn	Cornelius Brown	
	Rick Price	Rick Tibbetts	Kevin Weeks	Austin Metzkes	

- Sunday Morning - Meet in classroom (Grade 7-8) at 9:45 A.M.
- Sunday Evening - Meet at front of auditorium before 5:50 P.M.
- Scripture Reader - Announce the pew Bible page number and read from the New King James translation.
- Please consider this opportunity to serve as special and dress accordingly.
- Please call 775-3533 (Mike Ellis), if you can not serve at the time indicated.

"...always abounding in the work of the Lord..." (1 Cor. 15:58)



Sunday,
January 19

The Widows would like to thank **Kane & Fran Campbell** and their helpers, **Sue Hoelzer, Cheryl Milton, and David Brown** for hosting the luncheon prepared for them Saturday, January 11. The food was delicious and the entertainment delightful. Thank you. It is greatly appreciated.



*"Now godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out."
- 1 Timothy 6:6-7*

LOCAL VISITORS: Paul & Nellie Batitsky; Mr. & Mrs. Steve Crawford; Shaeyla Davis & Mo Classen; Terry & Regina Crews; Andratti Duckett; Mrs. Darlene Fields & Markita; Ms. Angela Freeman; Ms. Trina Pittman; Ms. Monica Russell; Lana Smith, Sasha, Alexis, & Rimma Nikulova; LaVaughn Storks; and Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Stewart.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: Lorriane Allen, Vero Beach, FL; Suzanne Branard, Merritt Island, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Matt Cox, Hilliard, OH; Kirk, Mendy, Casey and Claire Crews, McLean, VA; Ms. Marcia Farrar, Palm City, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Morris Legg, Cooper City, FL; Miss Shannon Locke, Homewood, AL; Mrs. Janet Locke, Birmingham, AL; Greg & Brenda McLeod, Tallahassee, FL; Ms. Joan Palmer, San Antonio, TX; Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Pedigo, Woodbury, TN; Mrs. Amanda Rivera & children, Fort Greely, AK; Dennis & Cynthia Saulsberry, Plymouth, MI; Rick & Mary Shur, Bowling Green KY; Mrs. Wilma Thomas, Shelby Township, MI; and Ms. Linda Wolfe, Fayetteville, NC.

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

Sunday, (Jan. 26th)

Jimmie Banks
Andrea Spradlin
Winifred Patterson

Monday (Jan 27th)

Ed Buonadonna

Tuesday (Jan. 28th)

Joyce Parker

Wednesday (Jan.29th)

Lawrence & Kay Richardson (Ann.)

Wednesday (Jan. 29th) cont.

Annie Faison

Thursday (Jan. 30th)

Lynn & Cynthia Parker (Ann)
Joyce Barnhouse
Dick Haines
Ronald Mills

Friday (Jan. 31st)

Earl Brown
Charles Hayes
Mary A. Jackson

Those to Serve

If you cannot serve, please call Mike Ellis at 775-3533.

If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday morning, please meet in the Grades 6-8 classroom at 9:50 a.m.

If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday evening, please meet at the front of the auditorium at 5:50 p.m.

Sunday Morning, Jan. 26

Lead SingingJerry Hopkins
Opening PrayerRick Hall
Scripture Reading..... Chris Thompson
Presiding at Table Nate Nelson
Serve at Table:
Henry Bass Tommy Pauldo
Kane Campbell Chuck Reeves, Sr.
Orlando Lolo Clayton Trujillo
Les McQuinn Eugene Williams
Alternates:
Jim Davis Austin Metzkes
Sermon..... Dan Jenkins
Closing Prayer Bill Ingram, Sr.

Sunday Evening, Jan. 26

Lead SingingDan McLeod
Opening Prayer Kevin Weeks
Scripture Reading..... Tyrone Toson
Presiding at Table..... Chuck Clark
Serve at Table:
Doug Carrick, Paul Metzkes & Marty Williams
Sermon..... Dan Jenkins
Closing Prayer Joe Holland

Wednesday Evening, Jan. 29

Lead Singing Chad Brown
Extend Invitation..... Jim Davis
Family Prayer Richard Watson

Our Record

Attendance	Jan. 19	Dec. Avg.
Sun. Bible study	225	208
Sun. A.M. Worship	381	353
Sun. P.M. Worship	192	167
Wed. Bible study	192	167
Contribution	\$14,692	\$13,262
2014 Weekly Budget: TBA		

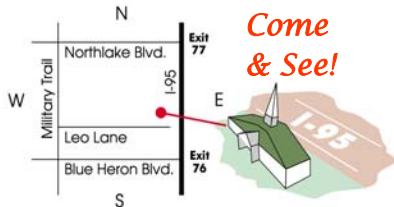
Ushers for the week of **Jan. 26:** Head Usher: Novel Brown, Mike Erickson & Richard Watson



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Speaking where the Bible speaks, silent where the Bible is silent.



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Service Schedule

Sunday:

- Bible Classes..... 9:00 a.m.
- Worship 10:00 a.m.
- Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

- Bible classes 7:00 p.m.

Front Cover: Gary Friedly



"All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence...And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him" (Col. 1:16-18; 3:17).

Remember Our Mission Works

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