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# Welcome New Members



**Judge, Eldra**

Group 2

Baptized February 2



**Woods, Rodney**

Group 2

Baptized February 9

## Our Gospel Meeting is still going...

at least on our website!

Go to [www.pblcoc.org/media/series/111](http://www.pblcoc.org/media/series/111)

All 9 lessons are there for you to enjoy and pass on to others.

**Good news never gets old!**



**Finally...Some Good News!**

David Lipe conducted a Gospel Meeting at the Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ on March 9-12, 2014.

**In the Beginning Was...THE Word (Part 3)**

Wednesday, March 12, 2014  
Teacher: David Lipe

**Saved By the Grace of God**

Wednesday, March 12, 2014  
Teacher: David Lipe

**In the Beginning Was...THE Word (Part 2)**

Tuesday, March 11, 2014  
Teacher: David Lipe

**New Testament Baptism & Salvation**

Tuesday, March 11, 2014  
Teacher: David Lipe

**In the Beginning Was...THE Word (Part 1)**

Monday, March 10, 2014  
Teacher: David Lipe



By Dan Jenkins

## Looking at the Church Through the Eyes of Jesus

Before the world began, God knew that someday He would establish the church. Paul described this mystery of God's plan as having been hidden in Him from the beginning of the ages (Eph. 3:9). He planned for all men to be brought together into one body, the church (Eph. 3:6; 1:22-23).

Modern America seems to have no regard for God and even less for the church. It is true that denominationalism, religious divisions and actions done by those who claim to be Christians but fail to honor the Lord and His original plan have contributed to this disrespect. However, think of the contrast in the view America has for the church and the way Jesus looks at the true church He established.

The world despises the church because the church believes in an absolute standard for right and wrong. It is not culture or society which determines what is moral or immoral. His people are often seen as "pests" whose influence must be eradicated from our land. Freedom in America means that every person should do what is "right in his own eyes" (Judges 17:6) and no one has the right to criticize anyone's choices.

Christians in the first century were seen as ignorant, unlearned, uneducated and untrained (Acts 4:13), and twenty centuries later they are often seen in the same way. The world

refuses to look at the evidence for the deity of Jesus and the work He did, and they mockingly describe Christians as having blind faith in a myth which has no more basis for reality than the blind faith children have in Santa Claus.

Now contrast this with how Jesus sees the church. His regard for the church can be seen in the agony of Gethsemane and the cruelty of Calvary. Why would Jesus, God in the flesh, endure such things? The answer is found in the reality that the blood the Lord shed was that which purchased the church (Acts 20:28). He sees the church as those people who have been washed in His blood (Acts 22:16) and have been sanctified, cleansed and therefore are without blemish (Eph. 5:26-27).

Because the church as been cleansed "with the washing of water by the word," His people are "a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing." The church is His beautiful bride and He loved His bride so much that He gave Himself to purchase her (Eph. 5:23-27).

So the question to be determined is which view is the right view of the church? Once we understand the answer, we must never share the world's view of the body of Jesus. Someday those who have mocked the church and denigrated His bride will stand before God. You will also stand there. Which view do you have of the church? Which view will you have when you stand before the Lord? Think about it!

**The church is seen as "pests" which must be eradicated from our society**



By David Sproule

## "I want to be baptized. What do I need to know?" (Part 1)

Being baptized into Jesus Christ is the **single greatest event** any person will ever have in life! It is the **most important decision** that any person will ever make in life! When someone says, "I want to be baptized," there are some critical things for him/her to know, to understand and to do, in

order for his/her baptism to truly be the baptism of which we read in the New Testament. (After all, why would anyone want any other baptism than the one in the New Testament, which is the only one approved by God?)

(For the purpose of this series of articles, we are going to assume that the person who wants to be baptized has heard about Jesus, is of accountable age and is desiring to be immersed in water. We are going to assume that the person has heard about the necessity of baptism and has expressed a strong desire to be baptized. For each of these elements, there is great joy.)

In Acts 8:36, there was a man who wanted to be baptized. Having been taught about Jesus (and obviously taught about baptism, as well), he saw a body of water and exclaimed, "See, here is water. What hinders me from being baptized?" What a great desire! What a great question! He recognized there must be something he needed to know or

needed to do before he could be baptized. And, he was right.

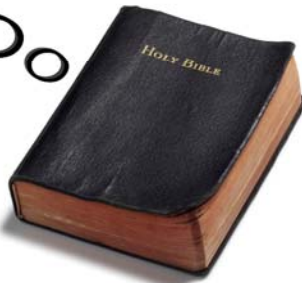
Before the man in Acts 8 could be baptized, there were some **truths that he needed to understand**. Before he could be baptized, there were some **steps that he needed to take**. Before he could be baptized, he needed to have a proper understanding of baptism from **both the Scriptural and the personal perspective**. Bible baptism is both a vital and urgent matter, but it must not be entered into without (1) proper Scriptural understanding, (2) deep personal reflection, and (3) strong rest-of-life devotion.

So, you want to be baptized? That is so wonderful! Here are some Biblical matters for you to consider; please make them personal to you.

*To be a proper subject for Bible baptism and to properly obey this part of God's plan, one must understand:*

**1. The all-authoritative nature of Scripture (God's Word).** The Bible is God's inspired (2 Tim. 3:16), all-sufficient (2 Pet. 1:3), perfect (Jas. 1:25), complete (Rev. 22:18-19), unchanging (Psa. 119:89), unchangeable (Gal. 1:6-9), final (Jude 3) revelation of His divine will, which will judge us in the end (Matt. 28:18 + John 12:48). All that we do in word or in deed (which includes being baptized) must be done according to the authoritative name of Jesus Christ (Col. 3:17)! Our entrance into heaven depends on it (Matt. 7:21-23)!

**Some critical things to know, to understand and to do before being baptized.**



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### **HOV Lane to Heaven?**

HOV lanes are great! They have limited access, so there are not as many cars in that lane. With limited access, the traffic usually moves along at a more consistent pace. However, as the last two sentences have suggested, not everyone is permitted to drive in an HOV lane. Access is limited! Limited to drivers who have at least one other person with them in the car! If you're by yourself, all alone in your travel, you are not permitted in the HOV lane.

Suppose that access to heaven was like driving in an HOV lane. Suppose that you could not travel the highway into heaven's gates unless you had someone with you—i.e., unless you had taught and helped to convert another person to the gospel, you were not permitted into heaven. Would that limit access to heaven? Would that keep some Christians out of the pearly gates?

That may sound awfully narrow, but read Matthew 7:13-14. That may sound awfully restrictive, but read Mark 16:15 and James 4:17 together. Does heaven have an "HOV lane" (only)? – DS

### **Is your grease trap getting regular cleanings?**

Commercial kitchen owners and operators know about grease traps. Grease traps are essential to drainage systems from commercial kitchens, for they "catch" and "collect" most of the greases and/or solids that come from the kitchens before they reach the sewer system. But, here's the thing: these grease traps must be cleaned out on a regular basis, otherwise they will "collect" so much grease that it will block the drain lines from the kitchen and cause messy backups. "Collecting" the grease is important, but "cleaning" it is even more vital in the long run.

Somewhere in here is a spiritual lesson (or two). In our spiritual lives, our souls have something like a "grease trap." It "catches" and "collects" all of the sins that we commit. Imagine how clogged it can become over time. On a regular basis, we need to have that trap "cleaned out," so that we can avoid messy backups. When one is baptized into Christ, the blood of Jesus completely purges all sin from our "sin trap." Then, as Christians, as we continue to "walk in the light" of purity and fellowship with God, He keeps on cleansing our "sin trap" (1 John 1:7)! – DS

# Keep in Your Prayers



## Pray for These PBL Members

<b>Lillian Bankston</b>	Good Samaritan Hospital (room 368-A), starting dialysis
<b>Pat Brown</b>	back pain & having trouble with her eyes
<b>Carolyn Cullom</b>	recovering from a fall, injured her back
<b>Sharon Feeney</b>	recovering from shoulder surgery
<b>Janet Hickerson</b>	fell again, recovering from another back surgery (3/14)
<b>Loretta Holaday</b>	undergoing medical testing
<b>Judie Jenkins</b>	recovering from foot surgery
<b>Jeff Leslie</b>	doing well following his surgery
<b>Ruth Lipford</b>	suffering with sciatica, in a lot of pain
<b>Silas Moses</b>	recovering at home from kidney surgery
<b>Godfrey Pratt</b>	St. Mary's Hospital (room 2214), pneumonia
<b>Leigh Puckett</b>	awaiting results from biopsy
<b>Jo Ann Rogers</b>	suffering with the shingles
<b>Cathy Seay</b>	recovering at home from surgery on carotid artery

## Long-Term Health Issues

<b>Millie Ames</b>	receiving specialized care
<b>Janet Hickerson</b>	suffering with back pain
<b>Lennie Langley</b>	Palms Edge, Hospice Care
<b>Deidra Miley</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Silas Moses</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Charles Norton</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Gene Puckett</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Les Sawyer</b>	recovering from radiation
<b>Norman Smedley</b>	at home and very weak
<b>Patricia Ventress</b>	both kidneys removed

## Pray for Our Shut-Ins

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

## Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

<b>Craig Clark</b>	Chuck Clark's brother, terminal
<b>Billie Earhart</b>	Cindy Nelson's grandmother, radiation for lung cancer
<b>Perry King</b>	Bettye King's father, under Hospice Care, liver cancer
<b>Mason Lerro</b>	Richard & Judy Lerro's great-grandson, NICU, tracheotomy
<b>Peggy McKeal</b>	Ruth Lipford's daughter, recovering from major surgery
<b>Ronnie Morris</b>	Jeff Goodale's brother, recovering from surgery
<b>Preston Mosley</b>	Novel Brown's cousin, in serious condition
<b>Owen Pataluna</b>	Zula Garrett's great-great-grandson, leukemia & chemo
<b>Curtis Spann</b>	Glen Dawson's cousin, stage 4 cancer
<b>Terry West</b>	Amy West's father, undergoing medical testing

## 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 Aforji	Nigeria
Apologetics Press	Montgomery, AL
Mauricio Yegros	Coral Springs, FL





# Church Family Calendar of Events

## Sunday, March 16

- ◆ **“Stepping into the Bible” Semester 4 begins** for the Children’s Bible Class Program (Age 3 thru Grade 5).
- ◆ **EDP Bible Study & Fellowship** at 4:00 p.m. in the Family Room.
- ◆ **Wedding Shower for Harrison & Danielle Carter** at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Room. They are registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond.

## Monday, March 17

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

## Tuesday, March 18

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

## Saturday, March 22

- ◆ **Saturday Night Singing** (Led by Gary Friedly) at 7:00 p.m. in the Auditorium.

## Sunday, March 30

- ◆ **5th Sunday Singing in the Lobby** during evening worship.

## Sunday, April 6

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

## Tuesday, April 8

- ◆ **Tuesday Morning Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Room. There will be a potluck luncheon after the Bible study. Bring some potluck dishes to share and enjoy.

## Thursday April 17

- ◆ **Ladies’ Day at Palm Beach Lakes.** Kathy Pollard of Denver, CO will be speaking on *“The Bride of Christ.”*

5:45 p.m.	Registration
6:00 p.m.	Opening Comments
6:30 p.m.	Dinner Served by PBL Men
7:30 p.m.	Lesson: <i>“The Bride of Christ”</i>

## Saturday, April 19

- ◆ **Golf Tournament at CFBC.** See the bulletin board for more information.

## Sunday, April 20

- ◆ **Mount Dora Children’s Home Supply Deadline.** A supply list can be found on the Welcome Desk.



## Palm Beach Lakes

# Young Adults

## Sunday, March 16

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

## Saturday, March 29

- ◆ **Young Adult & Sr. High Cookout for Kids** from 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. at TY Park in Miami. See Ivan Villard or Brittany Thompson for details.

## Saturday, April 12

- ◆ **Young Adult Area-Wide Devo & Fellowship** at 6:00 p.m. at PBL. See Ivan Villard for details.

## Sunday, April 20

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

## Saturday, May 3

- ◆ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Mike & Jean Archer.

## Monday, May 5

- ◆ **Young Adult Ladies’ Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m.



## Palm Beach Lakes

# Youth

## Friday, March 21

- ◆ **Sr. High Trip to Off the Wall Trampoline Center** in Coconut Creek. Meet at the building at 5:30 p.m. to car-pool. See Brittany Thompson for more details.

## Sunday, March 23

- ◆ **Sr. High Devo** after evening worship at the home of Bob & Jennifer Higbee.
- ◆ **Jr. High Family Devo** after evening worship.

## Saturday, March 29

- ◆ **Young Adult & Sr. High Cookout for Kids** from 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. at TY Park in Miami.

## Friday-Sunday, April 4-6

- ◆ **Youth Rally hosted by West Broward.** This year’s theme is *“...Out of this World.”* See the bulletin board for more details.

## Saturday, April 5

- ◆ **Jr. High Family Picnic.** See David or Traci Sproule for details.



**Age 3**  
thru  
**Grade 5**

*Designed to develop and strengthen a living faith in the hearts of our children by walking them into the settings, narratives and truths of the living messages of God's Word!*


Semester #4

**March 16**

thru

**July 30**



	<b>Joshua: Conquering the Land</b>	<b>Joshua: Dividing the Land</b>	<b>Judges</b>	<b>Samson</b>	<b>Samuel</b>
<b>Session 1</b> <i>March 16 thru April 9</i>	<b>Grades 4-5</b> <i>Chris Thompson</i>	<b>Ages 3-4</b> <i>Peggy Hall</i>	<b>Kindergarten</b> <i>Kathy Nelson</i>	<b>Grade 1</b> <i>Luann McLeod</i>	<b>Grades 2 &amp; 3</b> <i>Jennifer Goodale</i>
<b>Session 2</b> <i>April 13 thru May 7</i>	<b>Grades 2 &amp; 3</b> <i>Jennifer Goodale</i>	<b>Grades 4-5</b> <i>Chris Thompson</i>	<b>Ages 3-4</b> <i>Peggy Hall</i>	<b>Kindergarten</b> <i>Kathy Nelson</i>	<b>Grade 1</b> <i>Luann McLeod</i>
<b>Session 3</b> <i>May 11 thru June 4</i>	<b>Grade 1</b> <i>Luann McLeod</i>	<b>Grades 2 &amp; 3</b> <i>Jennifer Goodale</i>	<b>Grades 4-5</b> <i>Chris Thompson</i>	<b>Ages 3-4</b> <i>Peggy Hall</i>	<b>Kindergarten</b> <i>Kathy Nelson</i>
<b>Session 4</b> <i>June 8 thru July 2</i>	<b>Kindergarten</b> <i>Lisa Metzkes</i>	<b>Grade 1</b> <i>Jennifer Higbee</i>	<b>Grades 2 &amp; 3</b> <i>Beth Fry</i>	<b>Grades 4-5</b> <i>Tim Fry</i>	<b>Ages 3-4</b> <i>Trish Clark</i>
<b>Session 5</b> <i>July 6 thru July 30</i>	<b>Ages 3-4</b> <i>Trish Clark</i>	<b>Kindergarten</b> <i>Lisa Metzkes</i>	<b>Grade 1</b> <i>Jennifer Higbee</i>	<b>Grades 2 &amp; 3</b> <i>Beth Fry</i>	<b>Grades 4-5</b> <i>Tim Fry</i>

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

# Congregational Singing



Sunday,  
March 9

There will be a Congregational Singing Night led by Gary Friedly at 7:00 p.m. in the Auditorium on Saturday, March 22. Make plans to be here to spend time singing and enjoying time with brethren.

## Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

Sunday (Mar. 16<sup>th</sup>)

Tim Cox  
Lynne Jorgensen  
Cassie Lavender  
David Payne, II  
Sue Shelt

Tuesday (Mar. 18<sup>th</sup>)

Jackie Price

Thursday (Mar. 20<sup>th</sup>)

Silas Moses

Saturday (Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup>)

Joe Quigley

**LOCAL VISITORS:** Mr. Jean Charles; Terry & Regina Crews; Miss Zarah Cuevas; Eugene & Pamela Edwards; Ms. Angela Freeman; Jalen James; Ms. Monique LeBlanc; Judy Lerro; Carolina Medina; Mr. Lonnie Pendergrass; Dick & Evelyn Saleeby; Cara Sampson; Lana Smith, Sasha, and Alexis; Miss Kimberly Traxler; Ms. Gina Williams; and Morris Williams.

**OUT OF TOWN VISITORS:** Miss Clara Armstrong, Searcy, AR; Mr. & Mrs. Gene Barnes & Lexie, Stuart, FL; Mr. Pat Bashaw, Searcy, AR; Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Burnett, Hoover, AL; Gerald & Melinda Clevenger, Pleasant Hill, MO; Miss Courtney Davis, Monroe, OH; Mr. & Mrs. Ricky Davis, Equality, AL; Mrs. Kathy Dean, Elberton, GA; Danielle Dixon, Daytona Beach, FL; Nick & Kimberly Dodd, Daniel & Crews, Corinth, MS; Christopher Donato, Tallahassee, FL; Ms. Joyce Edmondson, St. Petersburg, FL; Ms. Marcia Farrar, Palm City, FL; Jack Holroyd & Tami Kirkbride, Jensen Beach, FL; Brad Lewis, Columbia, TN; Charles & Erma Mallott, Lee's Summit, MO; Mrs. Anne Merrill, Ft. Lauderdale, FL; Lawrence Montgomery, New Albany, IN; Ms. Monica Morando, Jensen Beach, FL; Richard & Kathy Oeder, Morrow, OH; David Scorzelli, Cicero, NY; Caitie Seay, Amory, MS; John & Bobbie Seay, Amory, MS; Bob Swayne, Paris, TN; Daniel Swayne, Stuart, FL; Mr. Leslie Szakacs, Coral Springs, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy White, Athens, AL; Mrs. Trisha Wischmann, Jackson, MO; and Ms. Linda Wolfe, Fayetteville, NC.



Thank you for your prayers for my granddaughter, **Techina James**. She is now home and doing well. Please keep her in your prayers. Loretta James

### 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, Mar. 16**

Lead Singing ..... Dave McLeod  
Opening Prayer ..... Ted Friesner  
Scripture Reading..... Jerry Hopkins  
Presiding at Table ..... Joe Maloney  
Serve at Table:  
Cornelius Brown Orlando Lolo  
Doug Carrick Nate Nelson  
Gorman Ericksen Gene Puckett  
Namdidie Ikon Mike Trujillo  
Alternates:  
Gary Jenkins Chuck Reeves, Sr.  
Sermon..... Dan Jenkins  
Closing Prayer ..... Jim Davis

**Sunday Evening, Mar. 16**

Lead Singing ..... Jerry Pittman  
Opening Prayer ..... Gary Friedly  
Scripture Reading..... Marty Williams  
Presiding at Table..... Gary Seames  
Serve at Table:  
Lance Collier, John Kemp &  
Leonard Williams  
Sermon..... Dan Jenkins  
Closing Prayer ..... Jim Rogers

**Wednesday Evening, Mar. 19**

Lead Singing ..... Ivan Villard  
Extend Invitation..... Darin Summerlot  
Family Prayer ..... Cam Crotts

### Our Record

Attendance	Mar. 9	Feb. Avg.
Sun. Bible study	250	225
Sun. A.M. Worship	410	379
Sun. P.M. Worship	201	179
Wed. Bible study	241	192
Contribution	\$13,082	\$14,116
2014 Weekly Budget: \$13,670		
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: +4,761		

Ushers for the week of **Mar. 16:** Head Usher: Glen Dawson, Jonathan Jordan & Taylor Reeves

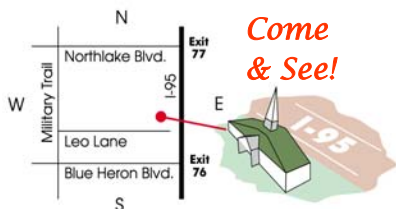




# PALM BEACH LAKES CHURCH OF CHRIST

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*Come & See!*

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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.

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**“Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.”**

Psalm 51:10

## What Must I Do to Be Saved?

*The Bible says...*

- 1. Believe that Jesus is the Son of God**  
“Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved” (Acts 16:31).
- 2. Repent of your sinful ways**  
“Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out” (Acts 3:19).
- 3. Confess your faith in Jesus**  
“If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus...you will be saved” (Rom. 10:9).
- 4. Be immersed in water**  
“He who believes and is baptized will be saved” (Mark 16:16).
- 5. Commit to a lifetime of faithful service**  
“Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life” (Rev. 2:10).