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- Dan Fuller..... 478-3755
- Joe Holland 626-2809
- Jerry Hopkins 434-4188
- Phil Porter 575-4782

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- David Sproule..... 301-2230
- Josh Blackmer 319-1418

Deacons

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- David Brown..... 972-7608
- Novel Brown 848-6988
- Chuck Clark 627-4132
- Victor Colage..... 798-6275
- Lance Collier..... 793-2718
- Jim Davis 747-2984
- Mike Erickson..... 310-9916
- Tim Fry 373-9121
- Jeff Goodale 261-1188
- Rick Hall 622-5131
- Bob Higbee..... 303-386-6405
- Gary Jenkins 889-3585
- Dick Kelley..... 968-1799
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Welcome New Members



Osborne, Janice

Group 2

Baptized May 23



Landen, Robyn

Group 4

Baptized September 10

Spiritual Enrichment Weekend

October 16-18

WITHOUT
F A I T H ...



By Dan Jenkins

The One Who Stands Between Us and The Almighty

His friends were no help. True enough, they had heard of his plight and had come to him, but they only looked at him as he suffered and said nothing. How heartless this seemed but little could this man understand how it was destined to get worse. They just looked at him for seven days, and when they finally talked to him, it was a heartless harangue of accusations. They told him that the adversity he was experiencing was because of the vile, sinful life he was living. Their words and his response to them occupy nearly 40 chapters in the Bible. This man was Job.

In the ninth chapter of Job, this man of patience proclaimed the majesty of God. God's wisdom was such that the wisdom of any man was not worthy to be compared to His. His power seen through-out His creation caused those who really observed it to cower in fear at its magnitude. God is so great, and the wisest and strongest of mankind could never stand in any arena before Him. Job could not understand the nature of His suffering, but he did understand the magnitude of God.

In the midst of his suffering, Job described his own inability to comprehend how God could ever know what human suffering was like. He said, "For He is not a man, as I am, that I may answer Him, and that we should go to court together.

Nor is there any mediator between us who may lay his hand on both of us" (Job 9:32-33). A mediator is that individual who stands between two individuals and, because of his ability to understand both parties in a conflict, brings peace. Job could not figure out how the Almighty could ever feel what Job was feeling. Job was covered from head to toe with painful boils, yet God had never felt this kind of pain.

We may sometimes find ourselves in a similar situation when we ask, "Why am I suffering so much? What is the reason all this is happening to me?" Such questions acknowledge that He exists and that He is sovereign, but we are hurting so much we find ourselves longing to know what God knows about our suffering. This is where Job found himself.

The reality is that the Almighty is almighty in wisdom. He does understand us, but what is the assurance to us that He does understand? Job said, "O that there were a mediator," and we can say, "O how blessed we are because we have a Mediator." One of the results of the Word becoming flesh is the absolute assurance we have of one who can truly go between us and the Omniscient One.

Meditate on these words, "He had to be made like His brothers in every respect...for because He Himself has suffered when tempted, He is able..." (Heb. 2:17-18). *(More about this next week.)*

We can truly say, "O how blessed we are because we have that Mediator!"



By David Sproule

"The Tongue of the Wise Promotes Health"

There is much in Scripture that warns against and even condemns the improper use of our tongue. It certainly has the potential to defile our whole body, kindle a fire and curse men (Jas. 3:2-9). We should study carefully and heed closely the Divine admonitions, for we shall be judged by those things which proceed from our mouths (Matt. 12:36-37).

However, there is much good that we can do with this little member. While it can "condemn" us, it can also "justify" us (Matt. 12:37). What sorts of things can you do **on a daily basis** with your words that can cause the lovingkindness of God to shine upon you? Remember that "the tongue of the wise promotes health" (Prov. 12:18). What can you say **on a daily basis** to promote health?

Say, "Please!" Name one person with whom you might interact who does not deserve every ounce of your respect. "Please" says that I am no better than you. It conveys humility and kindness, which is the law which ought to govern the Christian tongue. Make "Please" a regular part of your vocabulary.

Say, "Thank you!" Name one person who does not need to know that you noticed them and what they did. From the person who goes out of their way for you to the person

who is merely fulfilling their assigned obligation, every person deserves to hear you say express your thanks. In a day of "gimme" and "entitlement" attitudes, the Christian should stand out in his recognition of others. Make "Thank you" a regular part of your vocabulary.

Say, "Have a nice day!" Name one person who does not need a positive response from you. Even those who knowingly (and even unknowingly) say something that could potentially ruin your day deserve a pleasant word of encouragement. Perhaps you can be the one to turn someone's day around. Make "Have a nice day" a regular part of your vocabulary.

Say, "I appreciate you!" Name one person who does not need to feel appreciated. The world around us beats us *up* one day and then beats us *down* the next day. Christians have an opportunity to make a difference and build someone up, even folks who may be hard to encourage or might not deserve it in our minds. Make "I appreciate you" a regular part of your vocabulary.

Say, "God is good!" Name one person who does not need to be reminded that nothing else matters without God. These three simple words can help others to have a little light in their dark day or even open doors of opportunity to teach others. Make "God is good" a regular part of your vocabulary.

Does your tongue promote health? Give it a try!

There is much good that we can do with this little member!



By Josh Blackmer

“I’m too busy”

You may be too busy to even finish reading this article. How many times have you said it? Someone tries to make plans and you are “too busy” to do anything. Solomon wrote, “There is an appointed time for everything. And there is a time for every event under heaven” (Ecc. 3:1). Lately, there doesn’t seem to be enough time for anything and even less time for everything. What are we doing with our time?

If we look at a few numbers it might help us put things in perspective. The United States Department of Labor and the Bureau of Labor Statistics conducted the American Time Use Survey from 2003 to 2014. When the U.S. Government is not awarding grants on studying the effects of Swedish massages on rabbits or studying to see if “hangry” spouses are more likely to stab the voodoo doll of their significant other, they are studying what we spend our time doing. (These were actual studies.) This study served to research what the average American household was doing with the 24 hours they were given each day. From the data collected, they made some interesting finds. This information includes people from 15 years of age and up. Employed individuals worked an average of 7.8 hours a day. On average, men spend 6 hours a day on leisure time, and women spend 5.2

hours a day on leisure time. Just to clear things up, men work .4 hours longer than women on average. That evens out on the leisure time. Individuals 75 years of age and above spend 8.1 hours a day in leisure time. Those with children under 6 spend about 8.4 hours a day providing some form of child care.

What did we learn? Employed individuals with children under the age of 6 spend 16.2 hours a day working and taking care of children. Those that work and do not have children spend between 13 hours (female) and 13.8 hours (male) on work and leisure. Those that are over 75 can do whatever they want. We all have 24 hours in a day. Granted, we may have more or less time depending on our stage in life. Also, some jobs are more demanding than others. However, we tend to do those things that are important to us. When we say we are too busy, we are saying that it is really not a priority for us right now. Those things that we make a priority are the things that we accomplish. I would encourage you to take a look at your calendar and see what your priorities are. Are they work, family, hobbies or time with the Lord and His people?

This is not meant to be a chastisement but rather a call to contemplation about where we are spending our time. Satan can make things look so important which, in the long run, will not matter. Thinking about our time and priorities in view of eternity helps keep things in perspective.

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Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

Feeling energetic?

How’s your energy level today? Are you feeling peppy and full of life? Do you have a spring in your step? Would you describe yourself as having great vitality?

You may read these questions and consider them strictly from a physical standpoint. You may respond through the prism of physical strength, physical energy, physical vitality. However, the above questions are asked from a spiritual perspective. How’s your energy level today...spiritually? Are you feeling peppy and full of life...spiritually? Do you have a spring in your step...spiritually? Would you describe yourself as having great vitality...spiritually?

The reality is that your physical health and strength may be very weak, but that should not have an impact on your spiritual health and strength. Consider these great words, “Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day” (2 Cor. 4:16). Being spiritually renewed every day requires regular contact with the sole source of spiritual strength—the Word of God (Eph. 6:17; 3:16; Acts 20:32). Got energy? Get the Word! – DS



Who are you?

How do you identify yourself? Who are you? How does your identity affect your view of life and the world around you? How does your identity impact how you relate to and treat other people?

Do you identify yourself based upon your race? Is that who you are? Do you identify yourself based upon your gender? Is that who you are? Do you identify yourself based upon your age? Is that who you are? Do you identify yourself based upon your height or weight? Is that who you are? Do you identify yourself based upon your political views? Is that who you are? Do you identify yourself based upon your social or economic class? Is that who you are?

If you answered “yes” to any of these questions of identity, may I beg of you to reevaluate and redirect the focus of who you are? The O-N-L-Y identity that matters is that you belong to Christ! That’s it! E-V-E-R-Y-T-H-I-N-G else (race, gender, age, politics, economic status, etc.) falls under this identity! Read Colossians 3:1-4 and Galatians 2:20! This must be who you are! – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Jimmie Banks	hospitalized last week but doing better
Turkessa Fernander	recovering from surgery
Janet Hickerson	Gardens Court Rehab (room 225), fell & fractured arm
Loretta Holaday	scheduled for hip replacement surgery (9/29)
Shirley Hopkins	fractured rib, in a lot of pain
Judie Jenkins	recovering at home from back procedure, a lot of pain
Lynne Jorgensen	recovering at home, infection in one of her knees
Ruth Lipford	recovering at home, pacemaker surgery
June Pack	hospitalized last week but doing better

Long-Term Health Issues

Lillian Bankston	dialysis treatments
Janet Hickerson	suffering with back pain
Ruth Milton	chronic health problems
Silas Moses	dialysis treatments
Charles Norton	dialysis treatments
Norm Smedley	breathing problems
Patricia Ventress	dialysis treatments

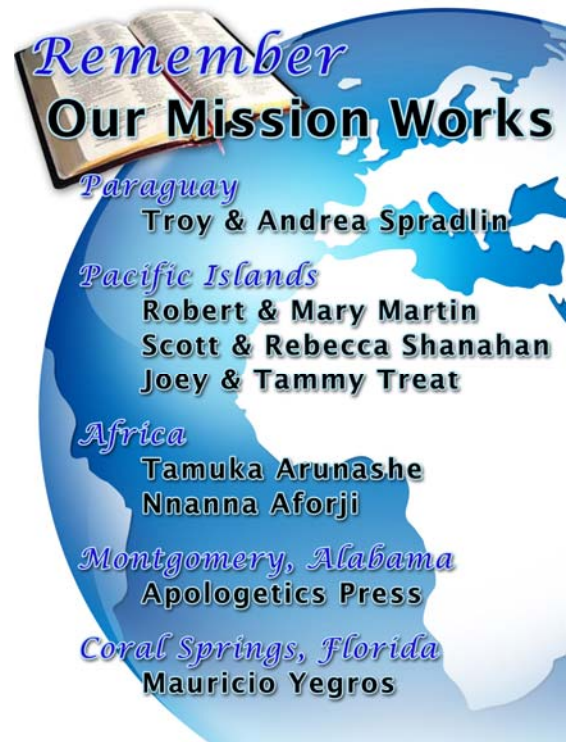


Amy Rosado upon the passing of **her mother, Lavinia Baker**, on Thursday.
Betty Sanders upon the passing of **her brother, Roger Sanders**, on Wednesday.
Freddie Gadson upon the passing of **his aunt, Elease Kingdom**, on Wednesday.
Debora Lynch upon the passing of **her sister, Brenda Lendsey**, on Sunday.
Eva Fulton upon the passing of **her brother, Edward Tucker**, last week.

Our Shut-Ins:	Millie Ames	Helen Gardner	Shelton Howell	Deidra Miley	Ricky Smedley
	Cora Lee Dennis	Margie Hardin	Daniel Johnson	Leigh Puckett	Margaret Wade
	Kay Fish	Loretta Holaday	Don & Betty Matter	Joe Quigley	

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Lavinia Baker	Amy Rosado's mother, under Hospice Care at PBG Hosp.
Jefferey Byrd	Cheryl Floyd's brother, Renaissance Rehab, surgery
Bevon Findley	Maria Hackshaw's son, VA Hospital, recovering from surg.
Wayne Hall	Rick Hall's brother, recovering from a stroke
Rocky Meess	Micky Affron's father, recovering from knee replacement
Conrad Mills	Tasha Ellis' brother, complicated health issues
Betty Story	Glen Dawson's sister, suffering with lung cancer





Church Family Calendar of Events

Monday, September 28

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

Tuesday, September 29

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

Friday-Sunday, October 2-4

- ◆ **Ladies' Fall Encampment at CFBC.** Cost is \$25 per person. See the bulletin board for more details.

Saturday, October 3

- ◆ **Ladies' Day at Suncoast** at 11:00 a.m. Alanna Griffin will be speaking on "Cast Your Net on the Right." See the bulletin board for more details.
- ◆ **Mt. Dora Children's Home Benefit Dinner** at 6:00 p.m. at our building. Admission is free. See Lance or Sarah Collier for tickets.

Sunday, October 4

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

Sunday-Wednesday, October 4-7

- ◆ **Sebring Parkway Lectures** each night at 7:00 p.m. (Monday-Wednesday. This year's theme is "Understanding Unity: How to Be One in the Church." See the bulletin board for more details.

Sunday, October 11

- ◆ **Robert Martin Mission Report** at 9:00 a.m. Jr. High, Sr. High & all adult classes will meet in the Auditorium.
- ◆ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

Tuesday, October 13

- ◆ **Family Group 1 Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Johnny & Betty Davis.

Friday-Sunday, October 16-18

- ◆ **Spiritual Enrichment Weekend at CFBC.** This year's theme is "Without Faith..." Sign up on the bus and fill out a registration form. Cost is \$65 per person. See Jeff Leslie for more information.



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Young Adults

Saturday, October 10

- ◆ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Nate & Cindy Nelson. The main dish will be provided. Bring salad, sides and desserts.

Monday, October 12

- ◆ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Jaquá Lewis.

Friday-Sunday, October 16-18

- ◆ **Spiritual Enrichment Weekend at CFBC.** This year's theme is "Without Faith..." Sign up on the bus and fill out a registration form. Cost is \$65 per person. See Jeff Leslie for more information.

Saturday, October 31

- ◆ **Young Adult Costume Party** at 6:00 p.m.

Monday, November 2

- ◆ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Hollie Crofts.



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Youth

Sunday, September 27

- ◆ **Jr. High Family Devo** after evening worship. Please bring a drink, dessert or chips.

Sunday, October 11

- ◆ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

Saturday, October 24

- ◆ **Costume Party for 55+ hosted by the Jr. High Youth** at 3:00 p.m. in the Family Room. Jr. High Youth should arrive at 1:30 p.m.
- ◆ **Young Families' Costume Party** at 5:00 p.m. at the home of Kevin & Stephanie Weeks. See Melinda Price for more details.

Sunday, October 25

- ◆ **Jr. High Family Devo** after evening worship. Please bring a drink, dessert or chips.
- ◆ **Sr. High Devo** after evening worship.

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Men's Worship Service Assignments - October, 2015

October 4

October 11

October 18

October 25

Morning Worship Service					
Song Leader	Bobbo Lupo	Gary Friedly	Jerry Hopkins	Gary Friedly	
Opening Prayer	Freddie Gadson	Jim Davis	Tim Cox	Ivan Villard, Jr.	
Scripture Reading	David Brown	Lawrence Williams	Daniel Swayne	Marty Williams	
Presiding at Table	Jeff Leslie	Glen Dawson	Morris McDaniel	Richard Lerro	
Serving at Table:	Jordan Beasley	Novel Brown	Henry Bass	Jimmie Banks	
	Lance Collier	Pete Brown	Doug Carrick	Bobbie Ingraham	
	Deltom Lequernaque	Victor Colage	Paul Hensel	Dick Kelley	
	Ken Long	Josue Charles	Namddie Ikon	Brent Leslie	
	Nate Nelson	Mike Ellis	Wallace Jones	Taylor Reeves	
	Brad Shelt	David Jaress	Rick Price	L.H. Richardson	
	Kevin Weeks	Joe Maloney	Chuck Reeves, Sr.	Gary Seames	
	Eugene Williams	Daniel Wagner	Vincent Rogers	Mike Trujillo	
Closing Prayer	Dirk Summerlot	Chris Thomas	David Lord	Justin Maloney	

Evening Worship Service					
Song Leader	Jerry Pittman	Stephen Beliech	Dan McLeod	Jerry Pittman	
Opening Prayer	Richard Watson	Mike Erickson	Stephen Beliech	Charles Hayes	
Scripture Reading	Chris Thompson	Les McQuinn	Jim Rogers	Shea Brown	
Presiding at Table	Tim Fry	Bob Higbee	David Thorpe	Scott Studer	
Serving at Table:	Jeremy Maloney	Paul Batitsky	Harrison Carter	Mike Fox	
	Nick Pietro	John Kemp	Bobbo Lupo	Carmen Ruckman	
	Clayton Trujillo	Leonard Williams	Austin Williams	Adam Seal	
Closing Prayer	Jerry Hopkins	Paul Metzkes	Johnny Davis	Chuck Clark	

Alternates:					
	Josh Blackmer	Phil Porter	Jeff Goodale	Dan Fuller	
	Orlando Lolo	Darin Summerlot	Gary Jenkins	Dan McLeod	

Technical Assignments						
<i>Morning:</i>	Computer	Shea Brown	Nate Nelson	Bob Higbee	Brad Shelt	
	Audio	Buzz Nelson	Adam Seal	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	Buzz Nelson	Adam Seal	Ivan Villard, Jr.	David Brown	
	Video	Cam Crotts	Dan McLeod	Scott Studer	Darin Summerlot	

Ushers - Morning & Evening Services (Sunday & Wednesday)					
	Oct. 4 & 7	Oct. 11 & 14	Oct. 18 & 21	Oct. 25 & 28	
Head Usher	Rick Hall →				
	Gary Jenkins	Bill Ingram, Jr.	Cam Crotts	Daniel Wagner	
	Adam Seal	Tommy Pauldo	Gorman Ericksen	Eugene Williams	

- 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,
September 20

Words cannot express our heartfelt thanks for the love and concern we felt from our family at PBL while dealing with Mike's recent surgical procedure. Your prayers and calls were very much appreciated and strengthening. May God continue to bless and keep you all in his loving care.

With love,
Mike & Jean Archer

Thank you, **Kane & Fran Campbell**, for another wonderful Widows and Widowers Luncheon last week. Each time we feel that it is the best one ever. The food and entertainment were exceptional. Thanks for the time and effort you spend in making us happy. We love you!

There are other longer "Thank You" notes on the bulletin board. Be sure to read them. One is from **Bonnie Quigley** and one from **Neal Pollard**.

LOCAL VISITORS: Ms. Denise Barnes; Greg Bland; Mr. Jean Charles; Carmen Dussard; Antone & Berthe Faria; Undre & Maxine Griggs; Milton Jones; Mrs. Sandra Hanna; Corinn, Linley & Ellie Jean Miller; Mrs. Carrie Rerko; Jacade & Susan Reynolds; Kevin Schenk; Travis Sherman; Isis Soliman; and Crystal Lee Williams.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: Miss Breanner Blanel, Port St. Lucie; Mr. & Mrs. Gene Challancin & Caden Fockler, Ocala, FL; Sabrina Clayton, Port St. Lucie; Charles Derrick, Kennesaw, GA; Ms. Barbara Dervan, Stapleton, AL; Will English, San Diego, CA; Jim & Judy Howell, Tallahassee, FL; David & Rachel Payne, Oneida, TN; Shaun, Emily, Simon & Sully Tyson, Port St. Lucie; and Mrs. Linda Wolfe, Fayetteville, NC.



Eddie Gooden was baptized on Tuesday, September 22.



Tuesday (September 29th)
Paul Hensel

Friday (October 2nd)
Jennifer Jares

Thursday (October 1st)
Louise Phillips
Robin Stone

Saturday (October 3rd)
Chuck Clark
Kathy Nelson

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, September 27

Lead Singing Gary Friedly
Opening Prayer Dan McLeod
Scripture Reading..... Ted Friesner
Presiding at TableBill Ingram, Jr.
Serve at Table:
 Doug Carrick Bobby Ingraham
 Gorman Ericksen Richard Lerro
 Bob Higbee Tommy Pauldo
 Namdidie Ikon Austin Williams
Alternates:
 Dan Fuller Gary Seames
Closing Prayer Morris McDaniel

Sunday Evening, September 27

Lead Singing Stephen Beliech
Opening Prayer Novel Brown
Scripture Reading..... Scott Studer
Presiding at Table.....Taylor Reeves
Serve at Table:
 Rick Hall
 John Kemp
 Jerry Pittman
Closing PrayerDick Kelley
Wednesday Evening, September 30
Lead Singing Harrison Carter
Invitation.....Mike Trujillo
Family Prayer Brad Shelt

Our Record

Attendance	<u>Sept. 20</u>	<u>Aug. Avg.</u>
Sun. Bible study	219	216
Sun. A.M. Worship	374	334
Sun. P.M. Worship	189	191
Wed. Bible study	196	205
Contribution	\$13,462	\$14,695
2015 Weekly Budget: \$14,500		
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: -12,583		

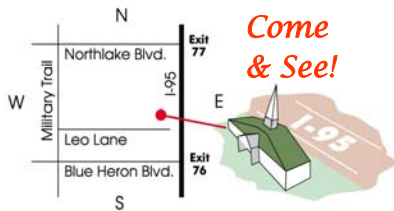
Ushers for the week of **Sep. 27**: Head Usher: Freddie Gadson; Wallace Jones & David Lord



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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.

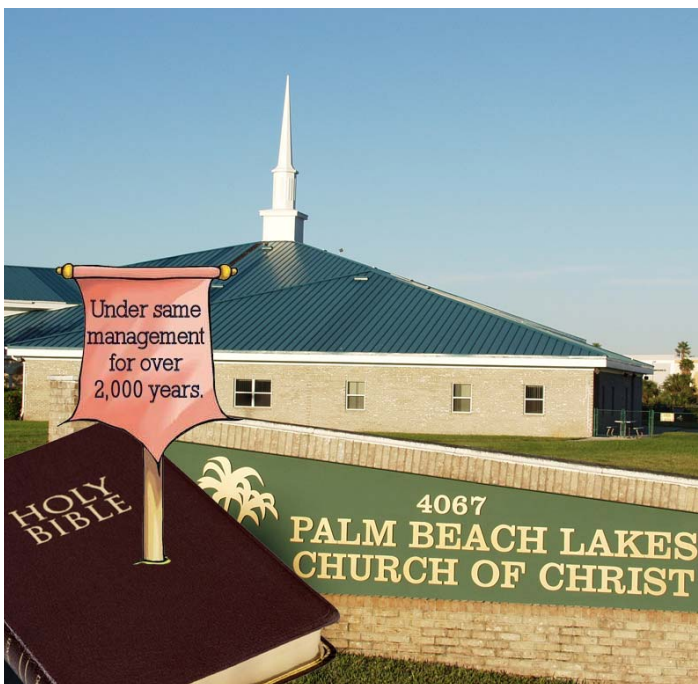


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What Must I Do to Be Saved?

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).



"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).