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CENTRAL FLORIDA BIBLE CAMP

Jenkins/Blackmer Week: July 21-27

Pray for:

- ☆ **Coordinators: Gary Jenkins & Josh Blackmer**
- ☆ **The campers (over 140 this year):**
 - ☆ **Older ones & younger ones**
 - ☆ **In the church & out of the church**
- ☆ **The cabin counselors**
- ☆ **The Bible class teachers**
- ☆ **The chapel speakers**
- ☆ **The kitchen staff**
- ☆ **The activities staff**
- ☆ **The weather**



By Dan Jenkins

Let God Define the Words He Gives

For there to be meaningful conversations, both the speaker and the listener must use the same definition of words as they speak. If this does not happen confusion will always be the result.

An illustration of this involves the time Gene Puckett and I were talking. I suggested to Gene, since he knew Noah built the ark out of gopher wood, that a good way to remember where the ark landed was on those mountains named Mt. Ararat. The obvious connection between gopher and “a rat” (I know it did not land on Mt. A-rat, but on Mt. Ararat) seemed such a good way to remember these facts.

Gene told me he did not know what I was saying. When I asked him what a gopher was, he described it as a turtle commonly seen in Florida. Now everyone knows (at least everyone in Alabama) that a gopher is a very large rat. Gene, being from Florida, used exactly the same word I used with a totally different meaning. It was not long after that, when Gene and I were together, he saw a “gopher” and called it to my attention. It seems like in some places a gopher is not a rat but a turtle! Different definitions of the same word result in confusion.

Now imagine two men with different religious back-

grounds having a discussion. One of them, because of his religious background, defines the word “baptism” in the way he has always seen it practiced. His background involved religions who sprinkle water on an infant and call it baptism.

The other man, because of his background, understands baptism so differently. His lifetime experience has been to use the word “baptism” to be the practice of immersing an adult in order that his sins might be forgiven. The person to be immersed has verbally affirmed that with all of his heart he believes Jesus is the son of God.

The first person asks, “Do you believe that for one to go to heaven he must be baptized?” The second person answers, “Yes.” However no communication has taken place. The first person has actually asked, “Do you believe that for a baby to go to heaven he must have water sprinkled on him?” Phrased that way, the second person would answer, “Absolutely not.” The same question results in two totally different answers. Why? Because each person has his own definition of the word “baptism.”

What is the solution to having meaningful religious conversations? Let each man give up their own definitions and let the Bible define baptism. Let them agree that they will use Bible words, defined as the Bible defines them, in the way the Bible uses these words. This is how true unity comes!

Let each of us give up our definition of words and define them as God does



By David Sproule

Learning Obedience: The Obvious, Yet Demanding Part

As with all Bible topics, we must turn to the pages of the Bible to know and understand what our God wants us to know and understand. The subject of “obedience” is one such subject—and a vitally important one! While “obedience” may not be popular in our selfish and unrestrained society today,

every Christian must seek to know (and follow) what God’s Word teaches us about this matter. In some cases, the obedience prescribed is obvious (but still demanding). In other cases (as we will see in next week’s article), the obedience expected is challenging (but still essential).

It is obvious that we must obey God. In Acts 5, when the Jewish council was demanding that the apostles immediately discontinue preaching about Jesus Christ, the apostles responded, “We ought to obey God rather than men” (5:29). The Greek word for “obey” in this passage denotes obeying one who is in the authority—one who is a ruler or a superior. This is He who is our “Master in heaven” (Col. 4:1). Truly, the only one who “shall enter the kingdom of heaven” is “he who does the will of [the] Father in heaven” (Matt. 7:21). Obviously, we must obey God, but it is quite demanding. Yet that does not change our obligation.

It is obvious that we must obey Jesus Christ. Christ is

“the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him” (Heb. 5:9). The Greek word for “obey” in this text literally means “to listen under,” which demands that one submit and obey. Just as “the winds and the sea” (Matt. 8:27) and “the unclean spirits” (Mark 1:27) recognized His authority and obeyed Him, so must we be “wise” to hear His teachings and do them (Matt. 7:24-25), submitting ourselves “to the obedience of Christ” (2 Cor. 10:5). Obviously, we must obey Christ, but it is quite demanding. Yet that does not change our obligation.

It is obvious that we must obey God’s Word. The Word of God is referred to in a number of different ways in the New Testament, and obedience is enjoined repeatedly. In order to be prepared for judgment, we must obey “the gospel” (Rom. 10:16; 2 Thess. 1:8; 1 Pet. 4:17), “the truth” (1 Pet. 1:22; Rom. 2:8; Gal. 3:1; 5:7), “the faith” (Acts 6:7; Rom. 1:5; 16:26), and the “doctrine” (Rom. 6:17). James calls for Christians to “be doers of the word, and not hearers only” (Jas. 1:22). Obviously, we must obey God’s Word, but it is quite demanding. Yet that does not change our obligation.

The subject of obedience may be negative to some, yet it does not surprise us that our salvation and entrance into heaven is dependent upon us obeying God, His Son and His Word. Next week we will consider some areas of obedience that may be rather challenging but are just as essential!

Our salvation and entrance into heaven is dependent upon us obeying



By Josh Blackmer

Four Roads: The Road To Jericho

The most infamous of roads for the most famous of stories. The Jericho road was known for its danger. That is why Jesus chose it for the setting of what we call “The Parable of the Good Samaritan,” in Luke 10:25-37, to teach a lawyer, and us, what it means to love your neighbor.

You may have heard this one. A man is traveling down from Jerusalem to Jericho. He fell among thieves. They rob him and beat him until he is mostly dead. Subsequently, a priest travels by seeing the man that is nigh unto death. He passes by on the other side and offers no aid. In the same way, a Levite passes by, sees the man, and offers no aid. But a Samaritan, in passing by, stops and cares for the man, takes him to an inn and pays for his needs. When Jesus asked the lawyer who was more neighborly, he had to acknowledge the Samaritan, but he didn’t have to say the word “Samaritan.” He just said, “the one who showed mercy.” The fact that Jesus had chosen a Samaritan to be the hero of the story was not lost on the lawyer. Perhaps he smiled, knowingly. Maybe he scowled, hating that Jesus dared use a Samaritan. Either way, the lesson was taught. Those that should’ve shown compassion didn’t. The one that was unclean and the villain of Jewish nursery rhymes had done what others would not. Jesus was foreshadowing that what was about to come was not about

lineage or heritage but about obedience and compassion.

Compassion transcended convenience, something that often gets in the way of service. Compassion transcended racial prejudice. True compassion is not about the color of your skin or where you did or didn’t come from. It’s about your heart. Compassion should be shown out of a respect of human life and service toward God. I have a Father that sees souls, not skin, bank accounts, social status or any other man-made divisions. Compassion also transcended provisions for the future. This Samaritan was traveling on a journey. He had provision to get himself to and from his destination, not to help some guy on the side of the road, but compassion did it anyway.

The road of compassionate service.

It is imperative that God’s people be compassionate. The Jerusalem church, having all things in common, was a compassionate congregation (Acts 2:44-45). “Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary. So then, while we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith” (Gal. 6:9-10). When we have opportunity, show compassion. This does not mean you have to go looking for opportunities, but it does mean you can’t hide from them either. You might already be on the road of compassionate service. You might be learning what that is, but it is imperative we all show compassion.

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

The backspace button

Old typewriters had a backspace button, but it wasn’t like the one on your computer today. On the typewriter, the backspace simply moved the carriage back one space, to the character previously typed, but all you could do was overtype that character (leaving an ugly mark) or grab the whiteout bottle (leaving an obvious spot of correction). As word processors came along, the backspace function changed, and now on your computer (and on your mobile device), you can backspace all you want, which deletes everything previously typed.

Long before typewriters were ever invented, God had a backspace button. It didn’t leave an ugly mark. And, when applied by God, there isn’t even a noticeable spot of correction. When a Christian repents, he is backing his carriage up, acknowledging wrong and asking God to forgive (i.e., erase) the sinful mistake and all guilt associated with it. And when God erases, He thoroughly “cleanses from all sin” (1 John 1:7, 9). Thank God for His backspace button! Use it often! – DS



“I almost didn’t come tonight, but I’m glad I did”

Sometimes a day doesn’t go well. Sometimes you may not feel 100%. Sometimes you’re wiped-out tired. Sometimes the “kids are acting up.” Sometimes you’ve “got a ton going on.” Sometimes it would be easier to not go to worship or Bible study than it would be to go.

If we measured everything by how we felt or by what would be easier, would we go to work? Would we pay the bills? Why do we sometimes treat worship and Bible study as an option that “I can take or leave,” but everything else in life (which is NOT my #1 priority) is essential?

Have you ever heard anyone say after worship or Bible study, “I almost didn’t come tonight, but I’m glad I did”? Being there is better than not being there, and we realize that by being there. Being in the presence of God and in the presence of God’s people is exactly what God intended it to be—a spiritual pick-me-up, a re-focus, a reminder, and an opportunity to be that person who unknowingly makes a difference for someone else who “almost didn’t come.” – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Adrienne Banks	undergoing testing on her lymph nodes
Karen Bibbee	undergoing rehab at home
Kane Campbell	recovering from knee replacement surgery
Dan Fuller	undergoing rehab on his hip
Ellen Gager	recovering from major surgery
Terri Hahn	in La Posada for rehab (room 2020)
Richard Haines	MorseLife Rehab, recovering from hip surgery
Mary A. Jackson	hip replacement surgery on August 15
Dan Johnson	Gardens Medical Center (room 286)
Judy Lerro	recovering from an outpatient surgery
Rosa Nash	recovering from eye surgery
Chuck Norton	Good Samaritan Hospital (room 365)
Willie Smith	heart surgery consultation in Tampa on August 27
Linda Studer	monthly chemo treatments
Sadie Tennant	recovering at home
Henry Williams	now at home

Long-Term Health Issues

Lillian Bankston	dialysis treatments
Charles Norton	dialysis treatments
Patricia Ventress	dialysis treatments

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Joe Holland
Hattie Daniels	Daniel Johnson
Sandra Daniels	Don & Betty Matter
Josie Dawson	Deidra Miley
Annie Faison	Harriet Morris
Margie Hardin	Leigh Puckett
Janet Hickerson	Ricky Smedley
Loretta Holaday	



Kay Richardson, upon the passing of her father, Asberry Mitchell, Sr., on Sunday.
Shirley Hopkins, upon the passing of her brother, Richard Hill, on Tuesday.

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Bernardo Burdeos	Lovella Rogers' father, improving and now out of hospital
Lena Kelly	Adrienne Banks' mother, has stage 4 lung cancer
Kayanna Richardson	Lawrence & Kay's daughter, undergoing medical testing
Ulysses Smith	Mary Brown's brother, Boca Reg. Hospital, has leukemia
Carol Wineinger	Cherylann Wineinger's mother, in ICU

Remember Our Mission Works

Pacific Islands
Robert & Mary Martin
Wayne & Kristi Parker
Joey & Tammy Treat

Africa
Tamuka Arunashe
Nnanna Aforji

Montgomery, Alabama
Apologetics Press

Coral Springs, Florida
Mauricio Yegros

Bahamas
Tavaro & Shameika Hanna



Church Family Calendar of Events

Sunday-Saturday, July 21-27

- ♦ **Jenkins Week at CFBC.** Keep the campers, counselors and staff in your prayers this week.

Monday, July 22

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

Tuesday, July 23

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

Sunday, August 4

- ♦ **North Lake Nursing Home Visit** at 2:30 p.m.

Sunday-Wednesday, August 4-7

- ♦ **Gospel Meeting hosted by Gifford** each night at 7:30 p.m. (Monday-Wednesday). Elijah Bush, Sr. from Birmingham, AL will be speaking on "Returning to the Pentecost Pattern."

Wednesday-Sunday, August 7-11

- ♦ **Haverhill Road Lectures** each night at 7:00 p.m. (Wednesday-Saturday).

Wednesday-Sunday, August 7-11 (cont.)

- ♦ **Haverhill Road Lectures.** Tommy Peeler from Brandon, FL and Shane Scott from Valrico, FL will be speaking on "Hope Is Here: Jesus the Help You Need."

Sunday, August 11

- ♦ **Back-to-School Ice Cream Social** after evening worship in the Family Room. Bring ice cream, toppings and drinks to share.

Friday-Thursday, August 16-22

- ♦ **Polishing the Pulpit.** Thousands of Christians will gather in Sevierville, Tennessee for a time to refresh, renew and recharge. Visit polishingthepulpit.com for details.

Sunday, August 25

- ♦ **2 Week Mini-Session Classes Begin.** Age 3-Grade 5 meet in the Sr. High Room. Jr. High, Sr. High and all adults meet in the Auditorium.

Thursday, August 29

- ♦ **Family Groups 1 & 2 Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Dion & Misty Hayes.

Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ **Young Adults**

Tuesday, August 6

- ♦ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Misty Hayes.

Saturday, August 10

- ♦ **Young Adult Devotional** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Nate & Cindy Nelson. Bring a side dish or dessert. See Ivan Villard for more details.

Friday, August 16

- ♦ **Sr. High & Young Adult Ladies' Hangout** at 7:00 p.m. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible. See Michelle Franck for more details.

Saturday, August 17

- ♦ **Young Adult Service Project.** See Ivan Villard for details.

Tuesday, September 3

- ♦ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Cindy Nelson.



Palm Beach Lakes Youth

Saturday, August 3

- ♦ **Charged By Christ with Philip Jenkins** at 10:00 a.m. for all Jr. High & Sr. High Youth. Cost is \$20. Please sign up on the bulletin board by July 29.

Friday, August 16

- ♦ **Sr. High & Young Adult Ladies' Hangout** at 7:00 p.m. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible. See Michelle Franck for more details.

Saturday, August 24

- ♦ **Jr. High Game Night.** See Sarah Collier or Ivan & Amber Villard for details.

Sunday, August 25

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

Friday, September 6

- ♦ **Sr. High & Young Adult Ladies' Hangout** at 7:00 p.m. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 ☆ Charged By Christ with Philip Jenkins a Rick & Betsy Donahue b Stephen Beliech b Allison Roman b Seth Watson b Henry Williams
4 ☆ North Lake Nursing Home Visit b Sharon Masciarelli	5 a Roy & Charlene Knowles	6 ☆ Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night b Lena Gadson	7 a Jeff & Jennifer Goodale b Kirk Crews	8 a Silas & Debora Lynch b Mary Porter b Gary Seames	9	10 ☆ YA Devo a Phil & Mary Porter a Chris & Brittany Thompson b Paulette Cole b Loretta Holaday b Dan McLeod b Paul Metzkes b Cody Price b Wesley Williams
Gospel Meeting hosted by Gifford (4th-7th)			Haverhill Road Lectures (7th-11th)			
11 ☆ Back-to-School Ice Cream Social b Letha Anderson	12 b Loretta James	13	14 a Mike & Donna Erickson b Jon Jordan	15 a Tim & Beth Fry b Carolyn Lord b Buzz Nelson	16 ☆ Sr. High & YA Ladies' Hangout b Tom Martens b Chad Morgan	17 ☆ Young Adult Service Project b Jonathan Swayne b Connie Tipton
Polishing the Pulpit (16th-22nd)						
18 b Benny Rodgers b Deboria Walker	19 a David & Mary A. Jackson	20 b Josiah Blackmer	21 b Josie Dawson b Bettye King	22 b Nicole Freseman	23 a Chuck & Mary Reeves a Orlando & Lilly Lolo b Skye Brown b Vita Chery b Inell Ingram	24 ☆ Jr. High Game Night b Sandi Hanna b Turkessa Staley
Polishing the Pulpit (16th-22nd)						
25 ☆ 2 Week Mini-Session Classes Begin ☆ Jr. High Family Devo ☆ Sr. High Devo b Quinia Morning	26	27 b Daniel Lord b Whitney Williams	28 a Michael & Quinia Morning	29 ☆ Family Groups 1 & 2 Meeting b Jordan Beasley	30 a Dion & Misty Hayes b Mary Brown b Simon Tyson	31 a Dan & Luann McLeod a Nicholas & Sabrina Pietro b Cherylann Wineinger

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



Sunday,
July 14

LOCAL VISITORS: Mr. Tunde Akingbade; Mrs. Lucille Black; Mr. Ryan Bodin; Mr. & Mrs. Jim & Wynona Bowman; Mr. Alexis Contreras; Miss LaDon Cruz; Ms. Edna Francois; Miss Maxine Griggs; Mr. Colin Kato; Ms. Iris Nunez; Miss Madison Payout; Ms. Lizzie Rozier; and Ms. Mary Sturgis.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: Mr. & Mrs. Myrick & Cynthia Bassie, Columbus, GA; Ms. Marcia Farrar, Palm City, FL; Miss Lauren Fuller, Savannah, TN; Scott, Jacob, & Colton Kelley, Tamarac, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Tom & Patricia Kos, Pittsburgh, PA; Mr. & Mrs. Patrick & Leslie Neither & Madison, Dacula, GA; Miss Helen Pirl, Clarksville, TN; Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Priest, Belle Glade, FL; Miss Sarah Ramer, Sebring, FL; Ms. Glennette Richardson, Charlotte, NC; Mr. Leslie Szakacs, Parkland, FL; Mr. Demond Walker & Kailand, Orlando, FL; and Al & Kaci Woodard, DeQuincy, LA.



We rejoice with **Nicholas & Stephanie Elridge**, who were baptized into Christ on Monday, July 15. They have two sons: Christian and Gavin.



Sunday (July 21st)
Kirk & Mendy Crews (Ann.)
Sandy Mann

Wednesday (July 24th)
Dan Jenkins

Tuesday (July 23rd)
Sarah Collier
Tina Wagner

Friday (July 26th)
Marshal Beasley
Eva Fulton

Saturday (July 27th)
Willie Cox

News & Notes

Jim Davis has resigned as a deacon at Palm Beach Lakes, so that he and Robin can focus their time on taking care of their parents, which requires a lot of traveling. **Thank you, Jim**, for all that you’ve done as a deacon, and we are thankful that you and Robin will continue to be active members at PBL!

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, July 21

Lead SingingJerry Hopkins
Opening Prayer Joe Maloney
Scripture Reading..... Marty Williams
Presiding at Table Jeff Leslie
Serve at Table:
Ed Buonadonna Richard Lerro
Tim Cox Chuck Reeves, Sr.
Andres Fernandez Gary Seames
Errol Gower-Winter Nahum Villard
Alternates:
Kane Campbell Kenneth Long
Closing Prayer Willie Smith

Sunday Evening, July 21

Lead Singing Dion Hayes
Opening Prayer Jerry Pittman
Scripture Reading..... Mike Erickson
Presiding at Table..... Jimmie Banks
David Brown
Deltom Lequernaqué
Nick Pietro
Closing Prayer Dan Fuller

Wednesday Evening, July 24

Lead Singing John Loftis
Invitation..... Jeff Goodale
Family Prayer Taylor Reeves

Our Record

Attendance	July 14	June Avg.
Sun. Bible Study	209	204
Sun. A.M. Worship	325	323
Sun. P.M. Worship	136	146
Wed. Bible Study	164	182
Contribution	\$14,786	\$14,884
2019 Weekly Budget: \$15,190		
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: -\$7,908		

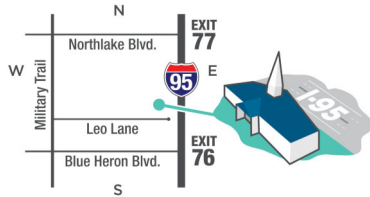
Ushers for this week: Freddie Gadson (Head Usher); Jordan Beasley & Edward Gager
Safety Team for this week: Mike Damron & Seth Watson



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



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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September 8

New Bible Classes Begin for Adults & Children

September 29

Fifth Sunday Night Finger Foods

October 11-13

Spiritual Enrichment Weekend

November 7-10

24th Annual South Florida Lectureship

Theme: *"Conformed to His Image"*