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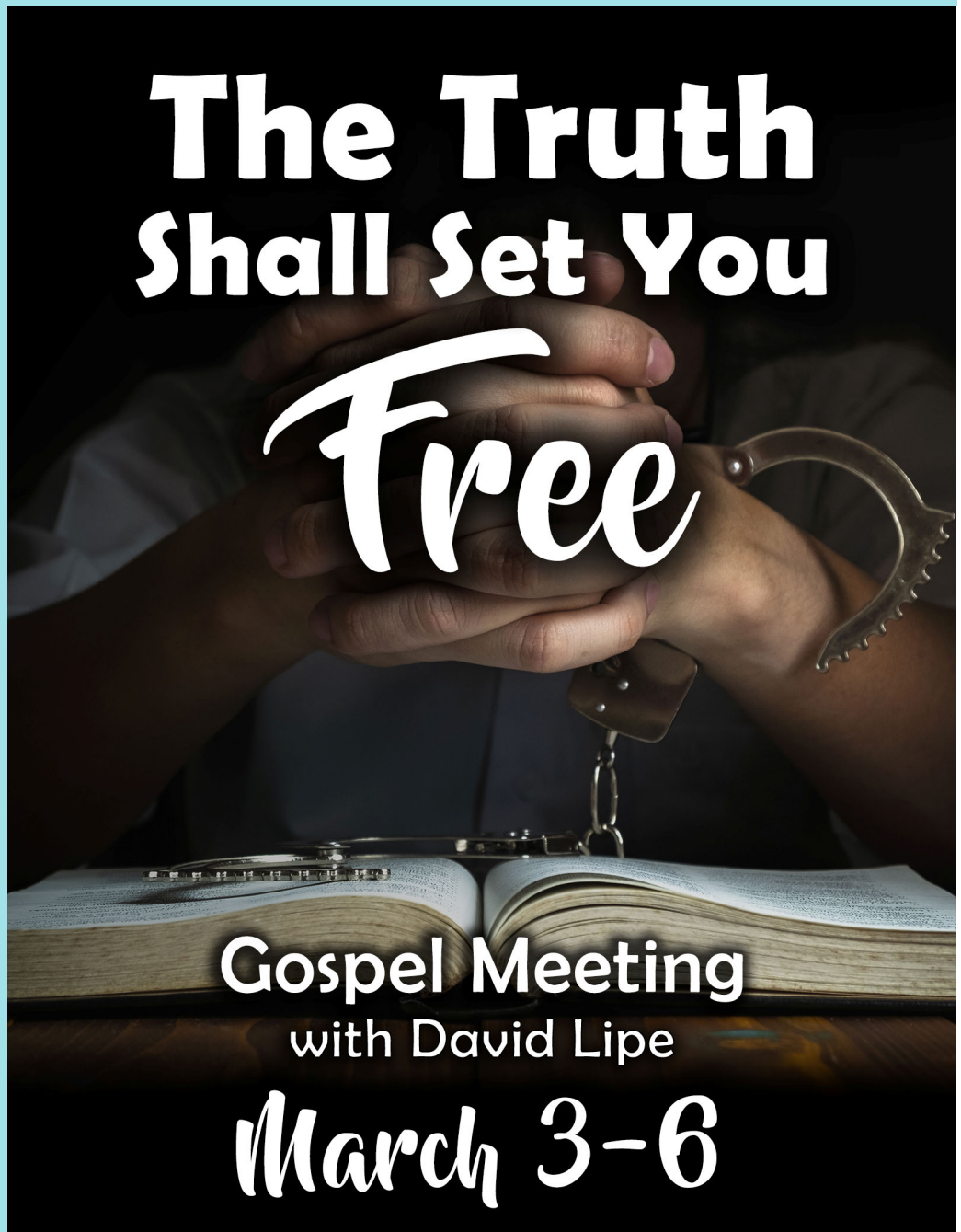
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**The Truth
Shall Set You
Free**



**Gospel Meeting
with David Lipe**

March 3-6

The Truth Shall Set You Free

Sunday, March 3

- 9:00 a.m. **The Danger of Believing a Lie**
- 10:00 a.m. **What Will You Do with Jesus?**
- 11:45 a.m. Potluck Dinner-on-the-Grounds (All Family Groups have setup & cleanup.)
- 12:45 p.m. **The Truth About Why Men Are Lost**

Monday, March 4

- 12-1:00 p.m. Lunch & Lesson: **Walking with Jesus: Being a Disciple of Jesus**
- 6:00 p.m. Potluck Dinner (All invited. Family Groups 1-2 have setup & cleanup.)
- 7:00 p.m. **The Wonderful Grace of Jesus**

Tuesday, March 5

- 12-1:00 p.m. Lunch & Lesson: **Walking with Jesus: Imitating Jesus**
- 6:00 p.m. Potluck Dinner (All invited. Family Groups 3-4 have setup & cleanup.)
- 7:00 p.m. **Understanding God's Truth on Baptism**

Wednesday, March 6

- 12-1:00 p.m. Lunch & Lesson: **Walking with Jesus: Treating People Like Jesus**
- 6:00 p.m. Potluck Dinner (All invited. All Family Groups have setup & cleanup.)
- 7:00 p.m. **Overcoming Any and Every Excuse**



ABOUT OUR SPEAKER: David Lipe

David Lipe has been preaching the gospel since 1967. He taught at Freed-Hardeman University and Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies for over 25 years. He speaks frequently in congregations around the brotherhood and has authored or edited nearly 40 books. He currently preaches for the Cherry Creek church of Christ in Sparta, Tennessee. David and his wife, Linda, have three daughters and five grandchildren.

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Adrienne Banks	upcoming medical tests
Pat Brown	undergoing medical tests
Chuck Clark	undergoing treatments for prostate cancer
Cora Lee Dennis	Kindred Hospital for long-term care, dialysis treatments
Charles Fifield	moved to the nursing home at the VA Medical Center
Patricia Hackshaw	recovering at home from hospitalization
Ophelia Holmes	recovering from surgery and undergoing treatments
Janice Osborne	unfavorable biopsy results, awaiting treatment options
Lorena Pittman	recovering from cataract surgery
Dorothy Savage	dealing with multiple health issues
Willie Smith	recovering from dental surgery
Yolanda Stewart	recovering from surgery
Jackie Stout	undergoing medical tests
Linda Studer	undergoing chemo treatments
Patricia Ventress	still having tests on her throat

Long-Term Health Issues

Lillian Bankston	dialysis treatments
Joe Holland	chronic health issues
Charles Norton	dialysis treatments
Patricia Ventress	dialysis treatments

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

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



Marie Thorpe, upon the passing of her brother, William Irby, in Cincinnati.

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Russell Beliech	Stephen Beliech's brother, recovering from pneumonia
David Findley	Maria Hackshaw's father, radiations treatments for cancer
Charles Griffen	Mary Porter's father, still not doing well
Candy Hudson	Kane Campbell's sister, ICU, recovering from heart attack
Sally Isom	Chuck Reeves, Sr.'s sister, under Hospice Care in Palm Bay
Darrin McCreery	Pat Harrington's son, prostate cancer surgery on Mar. 25
Edna Seames	Gary Seames' mother, recovering from knee replacement
Willie Smith, Sr.	Willie Smith's father, recovering from surgeries
Sandy Swartz	Karen Friesner's sister, recovering from open heart surg.
Oliver Symonette	Gorgeous Morgan's father, undergoing testing on heart
Carol Wineinger	Cherylann Wineinger's mother, now at home

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



By Dan Jenkins

Two Truths Simply Stated

There may be some things in the Bible which are difficult to understand, but there are others which are so simply stated but often are easily overlooked. Two of these truths are that Jesus established the church and that He never wanted it to be changed.

Read Matthew 16:18 and notice how easy it is to understand the promise Jesus made before He died about what was about to happen. "I will build My church." Even a child can grasp these words. Continue to read the Bible, and you will see exactly what happened. Just days after He ascended into heaven that church became a reality, and men were added to it (Acts 2:38-47). We must never overlook this truth so plainly stated.

Read the words in Matthew 16 which follow His promise to build the church. He said to Peter, "Whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Two chapters later, He expanded this right to reveal God's message bound upon all men to include others (Matt. 18:18). For the church to exist, there was a new testament which was about to be revealed, but when that truth was bound on this earth it was bound in heaven. We must not overlook this truth so simply stated.

To see how firmly this new way of living was binding

on man, read the words of the apostle Paul. "I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel, which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ" (Gal. 1:6-7). The truth was so firmly bound on mankind that to change it is described as a perversion.

Then, read the next verse to see that the gospel could not be changed. "But even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed." Do you see how easily these words show that the Lord never gave any man, including the apostle Paul, or any angel from heaven to change the truth that was revealed?

What would happen if all believers returned to the truths given by Jesus?

Yet, it is so easy to overlook these two truths. God first gave that Old Testament to the Jews and only God Himself could change it (Deut. 4:2; 12:32). When Jesus gave us the New Testament, He gave this same message—do not change it. How tragic it is that since Jesus left the earth men have changed the church and changed the truth bound on us in so many ways.

What would happen if all those who believed in Jesus decided to return to the simple truth given by Jesus and the apostles? What would the church look like if we established that first-century church in our day? Think about it!



By David Sproule

What Do I Need to Know About Baptism?

Baptism is one of those topics that seems like it should be simple, but there are so many different ideas regarding it and so many different practices of it that one can easily get confused trying to figure out what he actually needs to know. Is there a way to simplify this topic? Is there a way to strip

away all of the confusion and get down to the basics of what a person needs to know? There most certainly is! And it is as simple as just picking up the Bible and letting it do the teaching itself. What does it say?

Baptism is God's idea, not man's. It is important to know that man did not come up with the practice or the doctrine of baptism. God did! This is not an "invention" of man, therefore, man has no right to regulate it (or confuse it). Everything that I need to know about baptism (and everything that has any authority regarding the subject) is found in the New Testament.

Baptism is a command of God. Jesus commanded "baptizing" as the means by which to "make disciples" (Matt. 28:19), which is why the apostles "commanded" individuals "to be baptized in the name of the Lord" (Acts 10:48). This is not optional. It is required in order to be obedient to God, thus it must not be minimized or altered by man.

Baptism involves prerequisites of God. Prior to being

properly baptized, God (the Originator of baptism) specified certain steps that one must take. Before one can be baptized, he must be taught the gospel (Mark 16:15-16), he must believe the gospel (Acts 8:12), he must be convicted of his sins and repent of them (Acts 2:37-38), he must confess his faith in Jesus (Acts 8:36-38), he must arise of his own free will and be prepared for the commitment that baptism requires (Acts 22:16; Rom. 6:3-4). If one does not meet all of these prerequisites, then he cannot be Scripturally baptized.

Is there a way to strip away all of the confusion and get down to the basics?

Baptism is defined by God. The Bible stipulates that baptism is by (and only by) immersion. The description is always of one going down into and then up out of the water (Matt. 3:16; Acts 8:38-39). Baptism is referred to as being "buried" and then "raised" (Rom. 6:4; Col. 2:12). The word itself means "to immerse." We need to let God define it.

Baptism is given purpose by God. If we strictly limit ourselves to what God says about baptism (and not man), then we find that He clearly identifies baptism as essential in order to be "saved" (Mark 16:16; 1 Pet. 3:21), to obtain "the remission of sins" (Acts 2:38), to "wash away sins" (Acts 22:16), to get "into Christ" (Gal. 3:27) and to "enter the kingdom of God" (John 3:3-5). Man has no right to repurpose baptism!

Baptism is not a confusing topic. God has made it pretty simple to understand! The Bible gives it to us plain!



By Josh Blackmer

Worshipped God, Leaning Upon His Staff

There are bits of information in the Bible that leave us wondering, “Why are these here?” Random acts like when John wrote that Jesus “was sitting thus on the well” when talking with the Samaritan woman (4:6). Other strange bits of information are found in the genealogies, especially in the early ones of Cain, Adam and Noah (Gen. 4:17-26; 10:1ff). Did you know Tubal-cain was the “forger of all implements of bronze and iron” (Gen. 4:22)? While these are interesting facts to know and may raise more questions than answers, there is another random fact I would like us to consider.

“By faith Jacob, as he was dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, and worshiped, leaning on the top of his staff” (Heb. 11:21). This particular piece of information, seemingly insignificant, points to the practice of faith. It is possible that Jacob used a staff for much of his life after wrestling with the angel. The Bible says that he “was limping on his thigh” (Gen. 32:31). Why was this mentioned in Hebrews eleven, the chapter of faith? A man, near the end of his life, blessed his sons and worshipped God despite the circumstances.

If I were to think of a word that accompanied the image of an old man worshipping God and leaning on his staff, it

would be devotion. When others might have a reason to rest from the labor of worshipping their God, you couldn’t keep Jacob from doing it. While faith is not relegated to those of age, it is often in those years that we see the greatest examples of faith, devotion and mature love for God. Our aisles and pews are dotted with wheelchairs, walkers, canes, oxygen tanks and other implements of assistance. Each one a testament to the devotion of that individual. While we may lie in bed wondering if we feel like going to worship, other older soldiers of the faith have risen hours ahead of us to start the process of readying themselves. Every movement of the painful joints, every arthritic step is a triumph over the fleshly tabernacle in which each soul is housed—another example of bringing the body into subjection to the holy will of the soul that seeks after God (1 Cor. 9:27). This is the soul that says, “No matter the circumstances I will go up the house of the Lord. I will assemble with the saints. I will be in the presence of the Lord.”

Jacob and others like him teach us that worshipping God is more important than our health, our familial responsibilities, or any other thing. PSA: If you are contagious, then please consider yourself unclean and stay home. However, if you can possibly come to worship, for those that are looking and our God, you stand as testaments of great faith. What a seemingly random act that heralds a life of devotion.

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Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

They have left “their senses”

Have you listened to or read any news reports lately and had the thought, “They’ve left their senses!”? Have you heard someone on the TV or radio talk about the Bible and had the thought, “They’ve left their senses!”? The Bible says that is exactly what has happened!

Paul warned his friend, Timothy, about those who “spread” a false message, “strayed concerning the truth” and “resist the truth” (2 Tim. 2:17, 18; 3:8). In this context, he calls upon servants of the Lord to humbly correct “those who are in opposition...that they may know the truth, and that they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil” (2:25-26). God says that those who stray from and resist His truth (on any matter) have left “their senses” and need to come back. Think about that! They no longer have “their senses.”

Our responsibility is to unashamedly stand for truth and help those who are in error to see the senselessness of their rejection of truth and to “come to their senses.” Hard? Yes! But essential! – DS



Keeping score sets you up to fail!

Two words that should never go together are “nobody ever.” Both words are superlatives, stating absolute extremes. *Has just one person ever done this?* “No! Nobody!” *Maybe it happened just once?* “No! Not ever!” Starting a sentence with “Nobody ever” may intend to draw a strong conclusion, but it actually creates doubt and draws the conclusion into question.

Some have been known to say, “Nobody ever calls to check on me.” Or, “Nobody ever sends me a card.” Or, “Nobody ever speaks to me at church.” Or, “Nobody ever comes by to visit me.” Or, “Nobody ever shows any concern for me.” Each of these claims is suspicious, just by nature of starting them with the absolute extreme of “Nobody ever.”

But, may I suggest a solution? Rather than “keeping score” on what others do (or don’t do) for you, what if you turned your thinking around? Who can you call to check on? Who can you send a card to? Who can you go by to visit? Truly, it is more blessed to give than to receive! – DS



Church Family Calendar of Events

Sunday-Wednesday, March 3-6

- ◆ **Gospel Meeting at Palm Beach Lakes.** David Lipe will be speaking on *"The Truth Shall Set You Free."*

Sunday, March 3

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

Friday-Saturday, March 8-9

- ◆ **Men's Retreat at CFBC.** Cost is \$40 per person. This year's theme is *"Discussions of the Heart."* See the bulletin board for more details.

Friday-Sunday, March 8-10

- ◆ **Scrap the Weekend at CFBC.** Cost is \$90 for the entire weekend. See the bulletin board for more details.

Saturday, March 9

- ◆ **PBL Ladies' Prayer Meeting** at 1:00 p.m. in the Family Room. All ladies are welcome. See Maria Hackshaw for more details.

Sunday, March 10

- ◆ **Daylight Saving Time Begins.** Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour.

Sunday, March 10 (cont.)

- ◆ **Mount Dora Coin Cans & Supply Lists** will be available in the Lobby. Pick up a can to fill with change for Mount Dora and a supply list to buy items. Please return cans and items by Sunday, May 5.
- ◆ **Single Ladies' Luncheon** after morning worship. See Joan Holloway for details.
- ◆ **Shepherds Praying** at 5:30 p.m. in Adult 3. All members are invited to come and pray with them.
- ◆ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

Monday, March 11

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

Tuesday, March 12

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

Sunday, March 17

- ◆ **EDP Bible Study & Fellowship** at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Room.

Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ
Young Adults

Saturday, March 9

- ◆ **Jr. High & Young Adult Bike Riding** at 10:00 a.m. Meet at the Palm Beach Bicycle Trail Shop, where bike rentals are available. Bring a picnic lunch.

Tuesday, March 12

- ◆ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Casey Bound. Bring your own dinner or eat before you come. Dessert will be provided.

Friday, March 15

- ◆ **Sr. High & Young Adult Ladies' Hangout** at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Rachel Fuller. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible. See Rachel, Julie or Brittany for details.

Saturday, March 16

- ◆ **Young Adult Cookout for Kids** from 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Volunteers are needed to help run the event for Christian Homes for Children.

Saturday, March 23

- ◆ **Sr. High & YA Guys' Hangout** at 7:00 p.m.



Palm Beach Lakes
Youth

Saturday, March 9

- ◆ **Jr. High & Young Adult Bike Riding** at 10:00 a.m. Meet at the Palm Beach Bicycle Trail Shop, where bike rentals are available. Bring a picnic lunch. See Ivan Villard for more details.

Sunday, March 10

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

Friday, March 15

- ◆ **Sr. High & Young Adult Ladies' Hangout** at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Rachel Fuller. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible. See Rachel, Julie or Brittany for details.

Saturday, March 23

- ◆ **Sr. High & YA Guys' Hangout** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Cam & Hollie Crofts. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible. See Josh Blackmer for more details.

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



Sunday,
February 24

LOCAL VISITORS: Ms. Alice Bassal, Elie & Joshua, Delray Beach; Ms. Donna Bleau; Miss Caila Buonadonna; Mr. Jean Charles; Mr. & Mrs. Jean & Rose Charles; Mr. & Mrs. Terry & Regina Crews; Mrs. Bruni Gonzalez; Mrs. Maxine Griggs; Miss Alexandria Harmon; Mr. Robert Lerro; Mr. Tom Masciarelli; Ms. Sheree Peterson; Mrs. Jean Pieros; Ms. Lizzie Rozier; Mr. Ricky Smith; and Mr. Ben Tate.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: Mrs. Yvonne Clark, Chattanooga, TN; Miss LaDon Cruz; Mrs. Kathy Dean, Elberton, GA; Mrs. Bree Hamsher, Lehigh Acres, FL; Mrs. Tarsha Jacobs, Orlando, FL; Mr. Scott Kelly, Jacob & Colton, Tamarac, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Thomas & Patricia Kos, Pittsburgh, PA; Mr. Brad Lewis, Columbia, TN; Ms. Linda McNeese, Woodbury, TN; Ms. Maxine Monroe, Eustis, FL; Mr. Raymond Pedigo, Woodbury, TN; Mr. & Mrs. Tony Pringle, Success, AR; Mrs. Katherine Thomason, Marianna, FL; Ms. Tanesha Wellesley, Kingston, Jamaica; and Mrs. Darlene Wheeler, Rockport, TX.



We are deeply grateful for the kindness and compassion you have shown to us throughout my mother's illness and passing. We have appreciated the flowers, visits, food, and donations made in my mother's honor.

Yvonne Clark for the Jo Ann Rogers' family

Thanks be to God to all of you for your prayers, phone calls, and cards while I was having my surgery.

Much love,
Ophelia Holmes



Sunday (March 3rd)

John Patrick
Angela Walker

Thursday (March 7th)

Justin Maloney
Bob Swayne

Monday (March 4th)

Glen Dawson

Friday (March 8th)

Henry Bass
Bereather Williams

Tuesday (March 5th)

John Hoelzer

Saturday (March 9th)

Bonnie Quigley

Wednesday (March 6th)

Susie Cox
Linda Studer



Directory Changes

Tina Wagner no longer has a home phone, but is using her cell phone: 313-6116.

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, March 3

Lead Singing Gary Friedly
Opening Prayer Bill Ingram, Jr.
Scripture Reading Max Fonrose
Presiding at Table Jeff Goodale
Serve at Table:
 Andy Anderson Paul Metzkes
 Devin Eutsey Daniel Swayne
 John Hoelzer Daniel Wagner
 Namdidie Ikon Lawrence Williams
Alternates:
 Dick Kelley Willie Smith
Closing Prayer Scott Studer

Sunday Evening, March 3

Lead Singing Gary Friedly
Opening Prayer Dan Fuller
Scripture Reading Freddie Gadson
Presiding at Table Jerry Pittman
 Harrison Crotts
 John Loftis
 Gary Seames
Closing Prayer Mike Archer

Wednesday Evening, March 6

Lead Singing Robert Lupo
Invitation David Lipe
Family Prayer David Sproule

Our Record

Attendance	Feb. 24	Jan. Avg
Sun. Bible Study	219	234
Sun. A.M. Worship	395	339
Sun. P.M. Worship	131	185
Wed. Bible Study	181	177
Contribution	\$14,931	\$15,983

2019 Weekly Budget: \$15,190

Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$176

Ushers for this week: Jimmie Banks (Head Usher); Lance Collier & Andres Fernandez

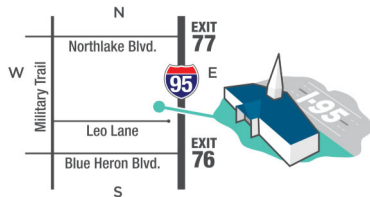
Safety Team for this week: Nahum Villard & Seth Watson



Palm Beach Lakes CHURCH OF CHRIST

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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.

Front Cover: **Debi Watson & Inell Ingram**



Phil Sanders, who has spoken numerous times at Palm Beach Lakes, is the host of the nationally televised program, *"In Search of the Lord's Way."*

This great, faith-building program is broadcast on **WGN** (out of Chicago) **every Sunday morning at 7:00 a.m.**

Locally, those channels are:
AT&T U-Verse (channel 180)
Comcast (channel 7)
DIRECTV (channel 307)
DISH (channel 239)



Be sure to check it out every week, record it, and tell others about it.

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).