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Welcome New Members



Widner, Brandon

Group 1

Baptized March 11



Telfort, Marie

Group 3

Identified March 28

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DR. JEFF MILLER

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, MAY 21-23



By Dan Jenkins

Eagles and Providence

The last day Moses lived on this earth he called all of Israel together to teach them the Song of Moses. The imagery in this poetic language stirs the heart of the righteous and gives so much hope to the saints.

The song describes what God did for the Jews as He brought them out of Egypt.

“He found him in a desert land and in the wasteland, a howling wilderness; He encircled him, He instructed him, He kept him as the apple of His eye. As an eagle stirs up its nest, hovers over its young, spreading out its wings, taking them up carrying them on its wings” (Deut. 32:10-11).

We know the words of Jesus as He described how often He had longed to gather Jerusalem as a hen gathers her young under its wings, but the words of Moses take it to another level. The young eaglet is learning to fly, and he does this because he learns how to fly sitting *on the back of its parent*. The parent does not just push the young eagle out of the nest but takes it up and carries it on his back.

Look at these words from one who visited Canaan many years ago about what he saw. “Two parent eagles were teaching their offspring, two young birds, the maneuvers of flight. They began by rising from the top of a mountain, in the eye of the sun. It was about midday, and bright for this cli-

mate. They at first made small circles, and the young imitated them; they paused on their wings, waiting till they had made their first flight, holding them on their expanded wings when they appeared exhausted, and then took a second and larger gyration, always rising towards the sun, and enlarging their circle of flight, so as to make a gradually ascending spiral” (Pulpit Commentary on Deut. 32:11).

Eaglets are not pushed out of the nest to learn how to fly on their own

David also used similar imagery when he said, “Hide me under the shadow of your wings” (Psa. 17:8). “How precious is Your lovingkindness, O God! Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Your wing” (Psa. 36:7). “In the shadow of Your wings I will make my refuge, until these calamities have passed by” (Psa. 57:1). “You have been my help, therefore in the shadow of Your wings I will rejoice” (Psa. 63:7). Oh, that we could have the heart

of this man whose heart was like God’s heart!

In the midst of trials, trust God “until these calamities have passed by.” We are sheltered under His wings, but when we reach the limits of our endurance He does far more. Think about that young eaglet, whose world was seemingly about to end, and then his parent came and carried him on its back. God does that for us.

Remember the words from our Master in the Sermon on the Mount: “Behold the fowls of the air.”



By David Sproule

I Must Be in My Father’s House

If someone who knows you was looking for you on Sunday, where would they look? Would they wonder where to look? Would they go to multiple places to find you? Would it be a mystery to them to know where to look? There are two components, I suppose, to this series of questions: (1)

Where you are on Sunday, and (2) your friends’ and family’s awareness of your Sunday practice.

In Luke 2, young Jesus (at 12 years of age) went with His family to Jerusalem for the Feast of the Passover, as they did “every year” (Luke 2:41-42). When the family left, after the feast was over, “Boy Jesus lingered behind” (2:43). Once His parents realized He was not in their traveling group, they returned to Jerusalem, “seeking Him” (2:45). If your friends and family were searching for you on a Sunday, where would they look? Would you be in the same place as Jesus?

“After three days they found Him in the temple” (2:46). This 12-year-old was “sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions” (2:46). When His parents found Him, they were amazed and questioned Him about lingering behind. Consider carefully Jesus’ response: “Did you not know that I had to be in My Father’s house?” (2:49, NASB). Jesus could have been anywhere

If your friends and family were searching for you on a Sunday...

that He chose to be. But, where He chose to be is where He said that He “had to be.” Some might see that as “had to be” because of compulsion, but should we not see that as “had to be” because of choice? Jesus was where He wanted to be.

With the dawning of each first day of the week, where is it that you “choose” to be? Where is it that you “want” to be? Where is it that you “must” be? Where is it that your friends or family might know (not guess or hope) to find you?

Each Sunday, your ATTENDANCE in the presence of your Father in His house is a must. That does not have to be a “compulsion” thing—God would rather that be a “choice” thing. What is there that could keep you from being in your Father’s house?

Each Sunday, your ACTION in the presence of your Father in His house is a must. Attendance is not sufficient. Worship is a verb! It requires action! Don’t just be in the pew! Actively participate in the worship!

Each Sunday, your ATTITUDE in the presence of your Father in His house is a must. Attendance and Action alone are not sufficient. Your attitude must be right! Your heart must be engaged! Worship without the heart is vain (Matt. 15:8-9).

The devil tries many things to keep us from our Father’s house on Sunday! Let us triumph over his efforts and tell him, “I must be in my Father’s house!”



By Josh Blackmer

Ancient Landmarks

It was recently discovered that a stone that marked the border between France and Belgium had been moved. It had been moved by a farmer that was annoyed that it was in his way. It was set in place in 1819 after the signing of the Treaty of Kortrijk and the defeat of Napoleon at Waterloo.

He made Belgium bigger and France smaller by seven and a half feet. The mayors of the towns on either side of the border joked about it but essentially said, "But seriously, you need to put it back." No charges were brought against the farmer as long as the marker that has stood as a boundary for over 200 years is put back in its original place.

We can see how moving a boundary can have a ripple effect of issues. Now all property lines are shifted. What had been established and set is now uprooted and changed. That is why the Bible condemned the practice of moving the ancient landmarks. "You shall not move your neighbor's boundary mark, which the ancestors have set... Cursed is he who moves his neighbor's boundary mark. And all the people shall say, Amen" (Deut. 19:14; 27:17). In speaking against the leaders of Judah, God said, "The princes of Judah have become like those who move a boundary; On them I will pour out My wrath like water" (Hos. 5:10). There is an underlying principle that is violated when moving a boundary. It is not

There are moral, social, and ecumenical lines that cannot be crossed.

just that someone has stolen land and an inheritance. It is the violation of established order. We see that played out over and over again in human history and our own society. The systems and institutions that God put in place should not be moved. So many landmarks were put in place during the creation. The first words of the Bible, "In the beginning God," is a landmark (Gen. 1:1). God was the origin and first force of all things. It was not in the beginning big bang. Another is the marker of "After their kind" (Gen. 1:11-12, 21, 24-25). All living things were to produce after their kind. An apple tree can't produce a banana and a monkey can't produce a human—a boundary was set. God made man, then made a "suitable helper for him" and then established marriage and the home (Gen. 2:7,18, 24). In so doing, several landmarks were established. There are two genders and that can't be changed. Marriage is one man and one woman for life; it cannot be redefined. Under normal circumstances that is the ideal for the conceiving, rearing, and nurturing of children. Even Jesus used this moment as a landmark in dealing with false concepts of marriage. He said, "from the beginning it was not so" (Matt. 19:4-8). They had corrupted marriage.

For centuries men have sought to move the boundary on what God has established. There are moral, social, and ecumenical lines that cannot be crossed. May we defend and never be among the cursed that move what God has established.

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

Could my worship be unacceptable to God?

"As long as I'm worshipping God, do I need to be all that concerned about the exact mechanics or details of how I do it? He is pleased, as long as my heart and intent are set on Him, right?"

God sent the prophet Amos to the northern kingdom of Israel about 30 years before they fell to Assyria. He warned about the impending judgment and told of the captivity awaiting them. One of the issues raised by the Lord was their worship. Contemplate God saying this to His people who were (supposedly) worshipping Him: "I hate, I despise your feast days, And I do not savor your sacred assemblies. Though you offer Me burnt offerings and your grain offerings, I will not accept them, Nor will I regard your fattened peace offerings. Take away from Me the noise of your songs..." (Amos 5:21-23). God had commanded their feast days, assemblies, offerings and singing, but what they were now doing (with those things) was detestable to Him!

The manner in which we worship must align faithfully with the "truth" of God's word in order to be acceptable to Him! – DS



The most underutilized gift from God

James reminds his readers, "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above" (Jas. 1:17). Knowing that truth, Paul asked, "What do you have that you did not receive?" (1 Cor. 4:7). Everything that you have has been given to you by God. Unfortunately, there are many of these gifts that we leave unutilized or underutilized. At the top of that list may be...our brain.

God gave a brain to each and every one of us reading these words. It has been estimated that the human brain can store 2.5 million gigabytes of information, and that the average brain thinks around 50,000 to 80,000 thoughts per day. Amazing numbers! But, are we utilizing it?

God designed our brain to consider (Psa. 119:95), to seek knowledge (Prov. 15:14), to study (Prov. 15:28), to understand (Prov. 16:16), to discern (Ecc. 8:5), to test (1 Thess. 5:21), to examine (2 Cor. 13:5), to reason (Isa. 1:18), to meditate (Phil. 4:8), etc. He did not design our brain to follow blindly, but to search out the truth in all matters (Prov. 2:2-5). – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Mike Archer	in The Addington Rehab, knee replacement surgery
Adrienne Banks	in Wellington Regional, undergoing tests
Jackie Creary	scheduled for a second cataract surgery on May 18
Annie Faison	under Hospice Care at her daughter's home in Miami
Maria Hackshaw	undergoing medical testing
Patricia Hackshaw	undergoing physical therapy at home
Loretta Holaday	having hip replacement surgery on May 11
Jon Jordan	having a second back procedure on May 12
Grace Judge	in Wellington Regional, undergoing tests
Diane Leslie	recovering from knee replacement surgery
Rose Martens	recovering at home and improving
Betty Sanders	undergoing medical tests
Les Sawyer	home from the VA Hospital, still very weak
Willie Smith	recovering from his back procedure
Patricia Ventress	in the Community Living Center at the VA Hospital
Teresa Williams	having outpatient surgery on her hand on May 7

Ongoing Health Issues

Lillian Bankston	dialysis treatments
Judy Carmack	multiple health issues
Terri Hahn	leukemia
Inell Ingram	Courtyard Gardens (Jupiter)
John Loftis	back pain, weakness
Joel Ramirez	dialysis treatments

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Daniel Johnson
Josie Dawson	Betty Matter
Annie Faison	Leigh Puckett
Dianne Frye	Les Sawyer
Margie Hardin	Ricky Smedley
Loretta Holaday	Patricia Ventress
Joe Holland	

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Barbara Coe	Linda Coe's mother, in Darcy Hall Nursing Home
Johnell Coe	Linda Coe's brother, recovering from another foot surgery
Johnny Mark Davis	Johnny & Betty Davis' son, Jupiter Med Ctr, kidney cancer
Julie Jenkins	Tina Wagner's sister, recovering from another surgery
Carla Kimberland	Cindy Nelson's mother, bypass surgery now on May 26
Kevin Wagner	Daniel Wagner's father, still in the hospital

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, May 9

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

Monday, May 10

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

Tuesday, May 11

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

Saturday, May 15

- ♦ **Work Day & Fish Fry at CFBC.** The Work Day to prepare for summer camp will begin at 8:00 a.m. Cabins will be available on Friday night with breakfast on Saturday morning. The Fish Fry will be served from 1:00-2:30 p.m. Please RSVP at www.cfbiblecamp.org.

Friday-Sunday, May 21-23

- ♦ **"Christians Can Be Confident About Creation" Seminar with Dr. Jeff Miller** (Apologetics Press).

Friday-Sunday, May 21-23 (cont.)

♦ **Creation Seminar Schedule**

- Fri. 7:00 p.m. *The Evidence Points to God*
- 8:00 p.m. *Which God Exists?*
- Sat. 2:00 p.m. *The Biblical Creation Model I*
- 3:00 p.m. *The Biblical Creation Model II*
- 4:00 p.m. *Is Creation Scientific?*
- 5:00 p.m. *Q&A Session*
- Sun. 9:00 a.m. *Is Creation Scientifically Defensible?*
- 10:00 a.m. *Why Become A Christian?*

Saturday, May 29

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Josh Blackmer for details.

Sunday, May 30

- ♦ **Promotion Sunday** at 9:00 a.m. All adults and children will meet in the Auditorium for a special presentation.
- ♦ **High School Graduates' Luncheon** after morning worship in the Family Room. All members are encouraged to attend and bring a potluck dish to share.

Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ Young Adults

Saturday, May 29

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Josh Blackmer for details.

Tuesday, June 1

- ♦ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. Location TBD.

Friday, June 4

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

Saturday, June 5

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Josh Blackmer for details.

Friday, June 11

- ♦ **Young Adult Devo** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Dirk & Elizabeth Summerlot.



Palm Beach Lakes Youth

Sunday, May 9

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

Saturday, May 29

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Josh Blackmer for details.
- ♦ **Jr. High Family Picnic & Transition Event** at 10:00 a.m. at PGA National Park for Grades 5-8.

Sunday, May 30

- ♦ **Promotion Sunday** at 9:00 a.m. All adults and children will meet in the Auditorium for a special presentation.
- ♦ **High School Graduates' Luncheon** after morning worship in the Family Room. All members are encouraged to attend and bring a potluck dish to share.
- ♦ **Jr. High & Sr. High Family Devo** after evening worship at the home of Dion & Misty Hayes. Please bring a dessert or drink.

Equipping & Edifying Families

99 Compliments for Kids



Kids love to be complimented—especially by their parents. The things you say to your kids carry a lot of weight. So print out these 99 compliments for kids, tape them somewhere only you can see them, and share a few with your children every day. Here are 99 compliments for kids. Think of others and add them to your list.

1. I love when you _____.
2. You're talented.
3. You have great dreams.
4. You're intelligent.
5. You're interesting.
6. I'm so glad you're mine.
7. You have great ideas.
8. You make me so proud.
9. You win me over every day.
10. You're so special.
11. I'm so lucky to have you.
12. You're fun.
13. You're smart.
14. You're beautiful.
15. You're handsome.
16. You are such a blessing to me.
17. You're creative.
18. You are so good at _____.
19. You're helpful.
20. You're inspiring.
21. You love me well.
22. You're fantastic.
23. You're athletic.
24. You're artistic.
25. You color my world.
26. You encourage me.
27. You're the light of my life.
28. You're one of a kind.
29. You have my heart.
30. You're delightful.
31. You're kind.
32. I believe in you.
33. You're so trustworthy.
34. You're unique.
35. You're compassionate.
36. You can do anything you put your mind to.
37. You're incredible.
38. I admire how you _____.
39. I love your laugh.
40. You make my days sweeter.
41. You make me smile.
42. I love your smile.
43. There's no one else like you.
44. You are a joy.
45. I love that you belong to me.
46. You're thoughtful.
47. You are excellent.
48. You're a great big brother/sister.
49. You're a great little brother/sister.
50. My favorite time is time with you.
51. I value you.
52. You are worth so much to me.
53. I love when you confide in me.
54. You're so strong.
55. You're the best.
56. You rock.
57. We make a great team.
58. You do things with excellence.
59. Nothing will ever keep me from loving you.
60. I love being on your side.
61. You're a great leader.
62. You make a difference.
63. You matter to me.
64. You're so fun to play with.
65. You always make me laugh.
66. You are a great student.
67. You're radiant.
68. You shine every day.
69. I love how you're so truthful.
70. You brighten my life.
71. You're amazing.
72. You're awesome.
73. You are a wonderful part of our family.
74. You make memories sweeter.
75. You're so respectful.
76. You have incredible insight.
77. You're so hopeful.
78. You're positive.
79. You love your friends well.
80. I admire how you keep promises.
81. You are such a leader at school.
82. You're a team player.
83. I love that you never give up.
84. You set a great example.
85. You're tremendous.
86. You impact me every day.
87. You're so fun-loving.
88. You're nice to others.
89. You're outstanding.
90. You are a great son/daughter.
91. You're so refreshing.
92. You put others first.
93. I have confidence in you.
94. I enjoy you.
95. You're marvelous.
96. You make gray skies disappear.
97. You're doing great things.
98. You're unbelievable.
99. I love you.

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

Members Traveling
this week



 **Thank You**
for worshiping with us

Sunday,
May 2

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

Sunday (May 9th)

Carol Graff
Leigh Puckett

Tuesday (May 11th)

John Judd

Wednesday (May 12th)

Jean & Rose Charles (Ann.)
Bree Solis

Thursday (May 13th)

June Pack

Friday (May 14th)

Mattie Cox
Carolyn Cullom
Judy Lerro

Saturday (May 15th)

Pete Brown



Directory Changes

Janet Macdonald is moving to Tallahassee on May 12.

Youth & Family
Singing

Sunday, May 9

After evening worship in the Family Room.
Every member is invited to stay and sing
for about 35 minutes.

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 at the front of the auditorium 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, May 9

Lead Singing Gary Friedly
Opening Prayer Johnny Davis
Scripture Reading Bob Higbee
Presiding at Table Ivan Villard
Serve at Table TBD
Closing Prayer Tim Cox

Sunday Evening, May 9

Lead Singing Dion Hayes
Opening Prayer Graysen Hayes
Scripture Reading Dan Fuller
Presiding at Table Eugene Williams
Serve at Table TBD
Closing Prayer Daniel Lord

Wednesday Evening, May 12

Lead Singing Harrison Crotts
Invitation Willie Smith
Family Prayer Jeff Leslie

Our Record

Attendance	May 2	Mar. Avg
Sun. Bible Study	187	165
Sun. AM Worship	253	227
Sun. PM Worship	115	129
Wed. Bible Study	122	144
Contribution	\$19,365	\$17,140

2021 Weekly Budget: \$14,994

Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$25,031

Ushers for this week: Kane Campbell (Head Usher); Ricky Smith

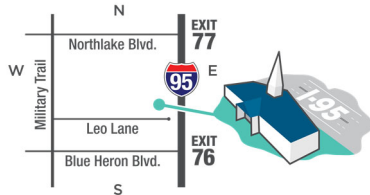
Safety Team for this week: Vince Rogers



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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: **Daniel Lord, Trey Higbee, Harrison Crotts,**
Tyler Williams & Josiah Blackmer



"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).

Upcoming Events

May 21-23

Biblical Creation Seminar with Dr. Jeff Miller

May 30

Promotion Sunday

June 19-20

Vacation Bible School

June 9, 16, 23, 30

"Kick Start Your Summer" Series

Theme: *"Better Than I Deserve"*

June 23-27

Leadership Training Camp for Young Men & Women

June 27

Ice Cream Social: Send-Off for Robert & Reanna Lupo

July 18-24

Jenkins/Blackmer Week at Central Florida Bible Camp