

**Elders**

- Johnny Davis ..... 307-4232
- Dan Fuller ..... 685-4454
- Jerry Hopkins ..... 818-7164
- Paul Metzkes ..... 870-8042
- Phil Porter ..... 575-4782
- \*Richard Watson ..... 307-2608
- \*Chairman for the Month of March

**Evangelists**

- Dan Jenkins ..... 379-2325
- David Sproule ..... 301-2230
- Josh Blackmer ..... 319-1418

**Deacons**

- Mike Archer ..... 422-2995
- David Brown ..... 972-7608
- Novel Brown ..... 848-6988
- Victor Colage ..... 719-1490
- Lance Collier ..... 793-2718
- Kirk Crews ..... 339-9283
- Mike Erickson ..... 310-9916
- Tim Fry ..... 373-9121
- Jeff Goodale ..... 261-1188
- Rick Hall ..... 622-5131
- Dion Hayes ..... 214-533-5065
- Bob Higbee ..... 303-386-6405
- Gary Jenkins ..... 889-3585
- Jeff Leslie ..... 744-3444
- David Lord ..... 346-2228
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# Gospel Meeting with Phil Sanders



## Hungering for Truth

March 6-9

# Hungering for Truth

## Sunday, March 6

- 9:00 a.m. **The Power of the Gospel**
- 10:00 a.m. **Two Paths, Two Destinies**
- 11:45 a.m. Potluck Dinner-on-the-Grounds (All Family Groups have setup & cleanup.)
- 12:45 p.m. **It Is Written**

## Monday, March 7

- 12-1:00 p.m. Lunch & Lesson: **Why Does God Allow People to Suffer?**
- 6:00 p.m. Potluck Dinner (All invited. Family Groups 1-2 have setup & cleanup.)
- 7:00 p.m. **The People of God**

## Tuesday, March 8

- 12-1:00 p.m. Lunch & Lesson: **Why Doesn't God Speak Directly to Man Today?**
- 6:00 p.m. Potluck Dinner (All invited. Family Groups 3-4 have setup & cleanup.)
- 7:00 p.m. **Hungering for Righteousness**

## Wednesday, March 9

- 12-1:00 p.m. Lunch & Lesson: **Why Do People Not See the Bible Alike?**
- 6:00 p.m. Potluck Dinner (All invited. All Family Groups have setup & cleanup.)
- 7:00 p.m. **What Are You Becoming?**



## ABOUT OUR SPEAKER: Phil Sanders

**Phil Sanders** has been preaching the gospel since 1970. He holds a number of gospel meetings each year, lectures and conducts seminars on a variety of topics. He is currently the host of the nationally televised program, *"In Search of the Lord's Way,"* which can be watched locally on WGN (out of Chicago) at 7:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Phil and his wife, Jackie, have four daughters and twelve grandchildren.

# Keep in Your Prayers



## Pray for These PBL Members

<b>Bonnie Arthur</b>	moved to rehab, no visitors or phone calls
<b>Johnny Davis, Jr.</b>	undergoing chemo treatments for kidney cancer
<b>Glen Dawson</b>	started a new treatment for stage 4 lymphoma
<b>Beth Fry</b>	recovering from an outpatient procedure
<b>Lynne Jorgensen</b>	dealing with health issues
<b>Grace Judge</b>	second degree burns
<b>Carolyn Kemp</b>	recovering from a hairline fracture of her pelvis
<b>Owen Miley</b>	recovering from an outpatient procedure
<b>Bonnie Quigley</b>	recovering from cataract surgery
<b>Peggy Simpkins</b>	undergoing chemo treatments for rare cancer
<b>Giselle Smith</b>	dealing with a number of health issues
<b>Jermaine Smith</b>	recovering at home from surgery on broken hip
<b>Jennifer Walker</b>	still recovering from surgeries and hospitalizations



**John Judd, upon the passing of his sister, Julie Judd, on Sunday, February 27.**

**Jonetta Green and Mary Jackson, upon the passing of their brother, William Jackson, on**

Wednesday, March 2.

## Ongoing Health Issues

<b>Mike Archer</b>	severe pain and weakness
<b>Lillian Bankston</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Judy Carmack</b>	multiple health issues
<b>John Loftis</b>	back pain, weakness
<b>Joel Ramirez</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Sherri Richmond</b>	multiple health issues
<b>Henry Williams</b>	dialysis treatments

## Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Marian Holland
Bonnie Arthur	Joan Holloway
Josie Dawson	Inell Ingram
Dianne Frye	Daniel Johnson
Terri Hahn	Betty Matter
Margie Hardin	Connye Plouffe
Loretta Holaday	Ricky Smedley

## Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

<b>Thelma Findley</b>	Maria Hackshaw's mother, recovering from pacemaker
<b>Clara Medina</b>	Carolina Alvarenga's sister, multiple health issues

**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

## Let the Holy Spirit Change You

How the Holy Spirit changes us from our former life into a mirror image of Jesus is misunderstood by so many. The Bible nowhere teaches that the Spirit works directly on our hearts to make me a more spiritual person. The Spirit does change us, and the Bible clearly shows how this happens.

It is true that the Spirit is part of our walk with the Lord. It is true our growth as a child of God involves change and Paul describes it this way: "And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed" (Rom. 12:2). The words that follow the word "transformed" show how this is done. It is not done simply by submitting to the Spirit, but it involves "the renewing of your minds." The Spirit is involved in this renewal, but we are not passively waiting for it to happen. So few really understand how the Spirit is involved.

Paul describes the renewal in his second letter to the church at Corinth. "The weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ" (10:4-5). Look carefully at what is said. The way we win the battle against evil involves casting down the "arguments" of Satan we confront using the knowledge of

God and changing our thoughts. We are actively involved in bringing all thoughts to submission through obedience to Jesus. We are not passive as this change happens. We control our thoughts, and we are the ones who use the knowledge of His will. We actively are determined to obey His will.

Paul's letter to Titus speaks of this in these words: "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit" (Tit. 3:5). In Romans, he says we are transformed by the renewal of our minds, and in this book, he says the Holy Spirit is part of that renewal.

However, the clearest description of the Spirit's work in changing us is found in the last verse of 2 Corinthians 3. We come to the Bible as one comes to a mirror with our hearts open and submissive to God. In the Bible we see the image of Jesus. We are "...beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord." We see His glory. This is how the Spirit transforms us in the glory of Jesus to become like Him.

Do you want the Holy Spirit to transform you? It will never happen unless you actively study Jesus' words and make His words your words. There is no transformation by the Spirit without diligent study of the Bible!

**We are not passive as the Spirit changes us into the image of our Lord**



By David Sproule

## Where's the Instrument?

One of the first questions that often runs through the mind of a first-time visitor to the church of Christ is, "Where's the instrument?" Asking such a question is understandable, as it is very common to find mechanical instruments in many church assemblies today. Is there a simple explanation for this? There certainly is. The mechanical instrument of music is in the same place as other things that have not been authorized by God. Consider these examples.

The instrument is in the same place as Noah being permitted to use cedar wood in building the ark. God specified gopherwood as the wood for constructing the ark (Gen. 6:14). By specifying gopherwood, God automatically excluded all other woods, without needing to say another word about it.

The instrument is in the same place as a Jew being permitted to observe the Sabbath on Tuesday rather than Saturday. God specified the seventh day as the Jewish day of rest called the Sabbath (Ex. 16:26; 20:10). By specifying the seventh day, God automatically excluded all other days, without needing to say another word about it.

The instrument is in the same place as someone from the tribe of Judah being permitted to serve as a priest under the Levitical system. God specified the Levites as the tribe

from which priests would come (Num. 8:14-19). By specifying Levi, God automatically excluded all other tribes from the priesthood, without needing to say another word about it.

The instrument is in the same place as Oreos and milk being permitted to be used in the Lord's Supper. God specified unleavened bread and fruit of the vine in the remembrance of the Lord's body and blood (Matt. 26:17, 26-29). By specifying unleavened bread and fruit of the vine, God automatically excluded all other foods from the communion, without needing to say another word about it.

Apply this same Biblical principle to music in New Testament worship. In reading the New Testament, the only music that God ever specifies (and, therefore, authorizes) for worshiping Him today is singing (Acts 16:25; Rom. 15:9; 1 Cor. 14:15; Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16; Heb. 2:12; 13:15). The music that is specifically authorized is "singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord" (Eph. 5:19). Man has no authority to add to or take away from what God authorizes (Rev. 22:18-19). Therefore, by specifying singing in New Testament worship, God automatically excluded all other music from worship, without needing to say another word about it.

After authorizing singing, God specified that "all" we "do" must be done "in the name of the Lord Jesus" (Col. 3:16-17). Singing is authorized. Mechanical instruments are not.

**God automatically excluded all other music from worship**



By Josh Blackmer

## Sin in 4D (Part 2)

There have been people “memeing” and murmuring about WWII. In connection with the recent pandemic that has gone endemic and other uncertainties, people are wondering what’s about to happen. They are looking at things as signs to a future calamity or doom, twisting the book of Revelation as though it would have further revelations for today. We get wound up as a people sometimes and miss the biggest battle and issues that we face today. The most destructive power in the world is sin. You’ve seen its work. We have seen it destroy households, kill generations, topple kingdoms, and crush hope.

We need to be careful because sin will destroy your good name. Wisdom says, “A good name is to be more desired than great wealth, favor is better than silver and gold” (Prov. 22:1). What do you think of when you think of names like Cain, Jezebel and Judas? You might be able to think of other names in history or your life that you have seen be ruined by sin.

Sin can also destroy your body. Paul specifically warns against immoral sexual acts. “Flee immorality. Every other sin that a man commits is outside the body, but the immoral man sins against his own body” (1 Cor. 6:18). It is obvious that there are sins that are destructive to the body. Many of the trials and

struggles that people face are because of sin. Addictions are at the top of the list in this category.

Sin has a destructive effect on us emotionally. There are those inner conflicts of guilt. “But I see a different law in the members of my body, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin which is in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will set me free from the body of this death?” (Rom. 7:23-24). For this reason the Psalmist wrote, “How blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered!” (Psa. 32:1-3). How many people do you know that are suffering emotionally from the sins of others? In our sin-saturated society, the field of psychiatry is flourishing as never before.

Sin will destroy the local congregation of the Lord’s church. It was destructive to the church in Corinth as we read about the things that they were struggling with (1 Cor. 6:11). Jesus told the church in Laodicea, “I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot; I wish that you were cold or hot. So because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of My mouth” (Rev. 3:15-16). Pride (3 John 9-10), worldliness (1 Cor. 5), lukewarmness (Rev. 3:14-22) and division (1 Cor. 1:10) are sins which will destroy a local church. We need to be alert and on guard against sin and its destructive nature. Even just a little is enough to hurt.

**We need to be alert and on guard against sin.**

## Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

### How to have a spectacular marriage

For the benefit of all perfect husbands and perfect wives, you can stop reading now. This article is not for you. Go and find something else to do. This is for the less-than-perfect.

Some days, marriage can be spectacular. Some days, marriage can be tough. Often, we might suggest that the determining factor in whether our marriage is “spectacular” right now or “tough” right now is how my spouse is behaving or how my spouse is treating me. In other words, we take ourselves (our behavior, our treatment) out of the equation and lay the “blame” on him or her. If that’s how you determine the happiness of your marriage, how’s that working for you?

As Paul transitioned into the great marriage passage in Ephesians chapter five (in which he addresses specific matters to the “wives” and specific matters to the “husbands”), he first emphasizes Christians are to be “submitting to one another in the fear of God” (Eph. 5:21). For the instructions to husbands and wives to work, you must be willing to put your spouse above yourself (cf. Phil. 2:3-4). Now, THAT will make your marriage spectacular! – DS



### Some see him as tough, others as a caring friend

My basketball coach in junior high was a no-nonsense coach. That’s an especially tough position to take when you’re dealing with middle school boys, but he laid out his expectations and “that was that.” If you goofed off in practice, you didn’t play in the game. If you goofed off in the game, you were immediately benched and ran suicides alone in practice the next day. But the team loved and respected him, and every player wanted to please him.

Some people look at God as a no-nonsense God. They see a God who has laid out His rules and expectations, and they imagine that God finds pleasure in punishing those who violate His will. However, such is FAR from the case (2 Pet. 3:9; Matt. 23:37). You see, it’s similar to the situation with our coach. Once we spent time with him and got to know him, that’s when a bond was formed and we wanted to rise to his expectations and excel at them FOR HIM. Isn’t that the same (shouldn’t that be the same) with God? Do you long to just make HIM happy? – DS



# Church Family Calendar of Events

## Sunday, March 6

- ◆ **Gift Cards for Mount Dora Children's Home.** Please bring Wal-Mart or Publix gift cards and place them in the box in the Lobby. They are not having a truck pick up items this year, so please do NOT bring supplies.

## Sunday-Wednesday, March 6-9

- ◆ **Gospel Meeting with Phil Sanders.** This year's theme is "Hungering for Truth." See page 2 for more details.

## Saturday, March 12

- ◆ **Ladies' Day hosted by Sixth Street** in Pompano Beach at 9:00 a.m. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. This year's theme is "Overcoming Prejudice." RSVP to Kathy Kemp by March 1.

## Sunday, March 13

- ◆ **Daylight Saving Time Begins.** Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour.
- ◆ **PBL Family Photos Updated.** If you've never had your photo taken in the Family Room or if your photo needs to be updated, please have your photo taken after morning services or before evening services by Mike Erickson in the Family Room.

## Sunday, March 13 (cont.)

- ◆ **House-to-House/Heart-to-Heart Labeling** at 5:00 p.m. in the Family Room. Everyone is encouraged to come and help out.
- ◆ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

## Monday, March 14

- ◆ **Monday Night Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room.
- ◆ **Men's Meet** at 7:00 p.m. at the church building. All PBL men in Grades 9 and up are invited. Bring your Bible, a chair, some meat to grill, a drink and your own plate/utensils.

## Tuesday, March 15

- ◆ **Tuesday Morning Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Room.
- ◆ **Family Group 2 Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of David & Traci Sproule.

## Friday, March 18

- ◆ **Ladies & Lattes** at 7:00 p.m. at Jenn Higbee's home.

## Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ Young Adults

## Saturday, March 12

- ◆ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Andy & Letha Anderson.

## Monday, March 14

- ◆ **Men's Meet** at 7:00 p.m. at the church building. All PBL men in Grades 9 and up are invited. Bring your Bible, a chair, some meat to grill, a drink and your own plate/utensils.

## Friday, March 18

- ◆ **Ladies & Lattes** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Jennifer Higbee. All PBL women in Grades 9 and up are invited to fellowship and grow together in God's word. Coffee and tea will be provided. Please bring a dessert.

## Saturday, March 26

- ◆ **Jr. High, Sr. High & YA Family Bike Riding** at 10:00 a.m. Meet at Palm Beach Bicycle Trail Shop (50 Coconut Row, Suite 117; Palm Beach 33480). Bring a bike and your lunch. If you do not have a bike, bike rentals are available at our meeting location.



## Palm Beach Lakes Youth

## Sunday, March 13

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

## Monday, March 14

- ◆ **Men's Meet** at 7:00 p.m. at the church building. All PBL men in Grades 9 and up are invited. Bring your Bible, a chair, some meat to grill, a drink and your own plate/utensils.

## Friday, March 18

- ◆ **Ladies & Lattes** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Jennifer Higbee. All PBL women in Grades 9 and up are invited to fellowship and grow together in God's word. Coffee and tea will be provided. Please bring a dessert.

## Sunday, March 20

- ◆ **Jr. High & Sr. High Devo** after evening worship. Location TBD. See Josh Blackmer for details.

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



Sunday,  
February 27

**Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week**

Sunday, March 6th  
Susie Cox

Wednesday (March 9th)  
Bonnie Quigley

Monday, March 7th  
Justin Maloney  
Bob Swayne

Saturday, March 12th  
Jim & Robin Davis (Ann.)  
Marvin Dozier

Tuesday, March 8th  
Bereather Williams



This Sunday, March 6 is the final day to bring **Publix** or **Wal-Mart gift cards** for Mount Dora Children's Home.

**LOCAL VISITORS:** Miss Ashley Blumhof; Mrs. Krystian Dubuisson; Ms. Marcia Farrar; Ms. Sylvia Goldie; Miss Tiki Hafer; Mr. & Mrs. Keith & Kim Hutchison; Ms. Robin Landen; Ms. Corrinna Leonard; Ms. Susan Preston; Mr. & Mrs. Arpit & Swati Samson; Mr. & Mrs. Quintel & Trellini Smith; Mr. & Mrs. Cristian & Lisa Suarez; Mrs. Jean, Kimberly & Gabrielle Tulgestka; Mr. Garfield Walks; and Mr. David Whipple.

**OUT-OF-TOWN VISITORS:** Mr. & Mrs. Steve Bigham, Lubbock, TX; Mr. & Mrs. Terry & Regina Crews, St. Albans, MO; Mr. & Mrs. Richard & DeeAnn Endsley, Mt. Vernon, IL; Miss Bethany Leslie, Winter Garden, FL; Mr. & Mrs. David & Cathy Payne, Oneida, TN; Mrs. Karla Santiago, Elizabethtown, KY; Mr. Kendall Stevenson, Benton, KY.



We are having a **potluck luncheon on Sunday** after morning worship and **potluck dinners on Monday-Wednesday** at 6:00 p.m. Please bring plenty of food for your family and extra for our guests. All are invited!

**Our Family Groups** are in charge of set up and clean up each day for the potluck dinners:

**Sunday:** All Family Groups

**Monday:** Family Groups 1 & 2

**Tuesday:** Family Groups 3 & 4

**Wednesday:** ALL Family Groups

**Those to Serve**

If you are unable to serve, please contact the Service Coordinator for the week or Rick Hall at 827-4269.  
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 6**

Singing..... Gary Friedly  
Opening Prayer ..... Kirk Crews  
Scripture Reading..... Jimmie Banks  
Singing  
Lord's Supper ..... Jeff Leslie  
Contribution  
Singing  
Sermon  
Singing  
Closing Prayer ..... Johnny Davis

Serve at Table:

Lance Collier      Hunter Hinton  
Mike Damron      Luther Robinson  
Gorman Ericksen    Jonathan Swayne  
Michael Erickson    Marty Williams  
James Green        Ivan Villard

**Sunday Evening, March 6**

Singing ..... Gary Friedly  
Opening Prayer ..... Michael Ellis  
Scripture Reading ..... Graysen Hayes  
Singing  
Lord's Supper ..... Jeff Goodale  
Contribution  
Singing  
Sermon  
Singing  
Closing Prayer ..... Joe Maloney

Serve at Table:

Connor Goodale    Jerry Pittman

**Wednesday Evening, March 9**

Singing..... Dion Hayes  
Invitation..... Phil Sanders  
Family Prayer ..... David Sproule

**Our Record**

Attendance	Feb. 27	Jan. Avg
Sun. Bible Study	183	144
Sun. AM Worship	262	208
Sun. PM Worship	89	114
Wed. Bible Study	114	127
Contribution	\$14,180	\$16,063

2022 Weekly Budget: \$15,220

Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$4,410

Service Coordinator:  
Bob Higbee

Ushers for this week: Kane Campbell & Jim Rogers  
Safety Team for this week: Lawrence Williams



# 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.

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## The Gospel Enacted

1 Corinthians 15:3-4

Jesus the Christ  
His Death, Burial and Resurrection  
For the Sins of Man

Death

Burial

Resurrection

Searching for TRUTH

## The Gospel Re-enacted

in Baptism  
(Obeying The Gospel)

Romans 6:3-4

In Baptism  
We Repent of Sin and Die to Sin  
We are Buried in Water for the Remission of Sins  
We are Raised to Walk in a New Life

Dead to Sin

Buried in Water

Resurrected to a New Life

(Chart from World Video Bible School, [wvbs.org](http://wvbs.org))