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 Novel Brown ..... 848-6988  
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 Lance Collier ..... 985-4407  
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 Tim Fry ..... 373-9121  
 Jeff Goodale ..... 261-1188  
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# New Bible Classes (DEC. 18-FEB. 22)

**SUNDAY MORNINGS at 9:00 A.M.**

**Auditorium (Dan Jenkins):**

## Decoding Justification By Works

*It may seem strange that Paul says that salvation is "...not of works" (Eph. 2:8), while James says that "...a man is justified by works" (James 2:24). The Holy Spirit gave both of these statements to these inspired men. Many find this so hard to understand. This class will reveal what the Holy Spirit says about grace, faith and works.*

**Adult 3 (Kirk Crews):**

## Young Adults: Life Lessons from Jesus

*We all learn differently, but for most of us, a picture is easier to follow. No one understood that better than Jesus. Over one-third of Jesus' teachings are in the form of parables. Parables have often been defined as "an earthly story with a heavenly meaning." Together, we will look at Jesus' parables with one objective – what does this mean for me?*

**WEDNESDAY NIGHTS at 7:00 P.M.**

**Auditorium (Josh Blackmer):**

## The Book of Deuteronomy

*Moses gave the law to Israel a second time before entering the Promised Land. This book is a beautiful treatise on devotion and faithfulness to God. We will go through it as an overview with an eye for those principles and concepts that are still valid for us today. What was written for our learning holds many spiritual treasures.*

**Adult 1 (Traci Sproule):**

## Ladies: God With Us

*Our Lord keeps His promises. He promised Moses, and then Joshua: "I will never leave you, nor forsake you." This study will examine a series of Bible characters whom the Scripture specifically says, "the Lord was with." Let us draw comfort and encouragement from learning how God was with these Bible heroes, and how He is with us today.*



By Dan Jenkins

## Close to Having a Heart Attack

When the Lord said, “Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life” (Prov. 4:23), He obviously is not talking about that large muscle in our chests. The Bible uses the word “heart” over 800 times and almost always, if not actually always, refers to that inner part of our being.

When the Lord discussed the greatest commandment, He spoke of loving God with all our heart, soul, and mind. That inner part of us is our soul.

What does it mean to keep your heart with all diligence? Our time and energy is limited and priority must be given to those things which are truly important. When the Lord described the attention which must be given to the heart, He used the word “all.” There is nothing more important than to devote ourselves and our time and energy to caring for our heart. Satan understands this and works to cause a severe “heart attack.”

Look at some of the words used to describe how we are to keep our heart. We are to *love* the Lord with all our heart (Deut. 6:5). We are to *seek* the Lord with all our heart (Deut. 4:29). We are to *serve* the Lord with all our heart (Deut. 10:12). We are to *obey* the Lord with all of our heart (Deut. 30:2). We are to *trust* the Lord with all our heart (Prov. 3:5).

We are to *turn* to the Lord with all our heart (Deut. 30:10). Consider carefully the words mentioned above—love, seek, serve, obey, trust and turn. What could be more important than these words!

Think about it for a moment. If you were Satan, how would you attack the heart of Christians? It would not be a full-frontal attack using temptations he might openly use against the most worldly individuals. Is it not reasonable to see him getting the righteous to modify the level of their dedication? Would he not seek to weaken the love, the seeking, the serving, the obeying, the trusting and the turning to God? Would he not do this while at the same time deceiving us so we can hardly see the changes? In reality, it is a full-frontal attack, and we are not even aware of it. This is why the Bible speaks of the deceitfulness of sin.

Sometimes we measure our heart conditions by looking in the wrong places. Jesus described how the people in the first century focused on the external. “This people honors Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me” (Mark 7:6). These same words seem to describe our own day. Can we not see the danger in the way he attacks us? Satan attacks our hearts in this same way, and he wins if we are deceived by him. Think about the list of words mentioned above, just make sure that you are not close to a heart attack.

**Millions in our land are close to having a heart attack and do not know it**



By David Sproule

## Who Are You Going to Believe—God or the Devil?

The devil lies! You know that, right? You cannot believe or trust anything that the devil would have you to believe or trust! What he tries to convince you to do is completely contrary to whatever God wants you to do. Would you like some evidence?

In Genesis 2:17, God said, “...of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.” Then twelve verses later, the devil boldly proclaimed, “You will not surely die” (3:4). God said, “You shall surely die” and the devil said, “You shall not surely die.” Who are you going to believe?

In Matthew 3:17, God announced from heaven (for the benefit of the witnesses and Jesus Himself), “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.” A voice boomed from heaven and declared, “THIS IS MY SON!” That’s not hard to understand. Who could miss it? Three verses later, the devil said to Jesus, “If You are the Son of God...” (Matt. 4:3). What do you mean “IF”? God just declared it to be so! Who are you going to believe?

Do you see? The devil lies! He always lies! Truly the devil “does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it” (John 8:44). You cannot

trust him, and yet how often do we fall for his lies?

God said that there are only two genders, which are permanently identifiable and distinguishable from birth—“male and female” (Gen. 1:27; 5:2; Matt. 19:4). But the devil says, “Don’t be so naïve and closed-minded! Be respectful of how someone feels and let them be true to themselves!” Who are you going to believe?

God said that marriage is only between one man and one woman (Gen. 2:24; Matt. 19:4-6; 1 Cor. 7:2). But the devil says, “Don’t be such a prude! Marriage is for those who love one another, regardless of whether they are the same or different genders!” Who are you going to believe?

God said that sex before marriage (i.e., fornication) or outside marriage (i.e., adultery) is sin (Heb. 13:4). But the devil says, “What’s the big deal? Don’t be so old-fashioned. There is nothing wrong with it!” Who are you going to believe?

God said that there is an eternal heaven for those who obey Him and an eternal hell for those who reject His will (Matt. 7:21-23; 25:46). But the devil says, “Who cares about heaven and hell? Nobody’s ever seen them! Just live the way that makes you happy!” Who are you going to believe?

God is truth! The devil is a liar! Who will you follow?

**When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar.**

# Children's Bible Education & Experience



**Age 3 thru Grade 5**

*Designed to develop and strengthen a living faith in the hearts of our children by walking them into the settings, narratives and truths of the living messages of God's Word!*

Semester #8

**December 18 thru May 3**

## Cradle Roll & Toddler Classes


**December 2022  
thru  
February 2023**

### Cradle Roll

**"God Made Me"**  
*Micky Affron*

### Toddlers

**"Creation"**  
*Kathy Nelson*

	The Beginning	From Egypt to Canaan	Israel's Kings	God's Faithful Servants	Restoration
<b>Session 1</b> <i>Dec. 18 thru Jan. 11</i>	<b>Grades 3-5</b> <i>David Lord</i>	<b>Ages 3-4</b> <i>Trish Clark</i>		<b>K &amp; Grade 1</b> <i>Brenda Collier</i>	<b>Grade 2</b> <i>Cara Blackmer</i>
<b>Session 2</b> <i>Jan. 15 thru Feb. 8</i>	<b>Grade 2</b> <i>Cara Blackmer</i>	<b>Grades 3-5</b> <i>David Lord</i>	<b>Ages 3-4</b> <i>Trish Clark</i>		<b>K &amp; Grade 1</b> <i>Brenda Collier</i>
<b>Session 3</b> <i>Feb. 12 thru March 8</i>	<b>K &amp; Grade 1</b> <i>Brenda Collier</i>	<b>Grade 2</b> <i>Cara Blackmer</i>	<b>Grades 3-5</b> <i>David Lord</i>	<b>Ages 3-4</b> <i>Trish Clark</i>	
<b>Session 4</b> <i>March 12 thru April 5</i>		<b>K &amp; Grade 1</b> <i>Beth Fry</i>	<b>Grade 2</b> <i>Melissa Shaw</i>	<b>Grades 3-5</b> <i>Tim Fry</i>	<b>Ages 3-4</b> <i>Peggy Hall</i>
<b>Session 5</b> <i>April 9 thru May 3</i>	<b>Ages 3-4</b> <i>Peggy Hall</i>		<b>K &amp; Grade 1</b> <i>Beth Fry</i>	<b>Grade 2</b> <i>Melissa Shaw</i>	<b>Grades 3-5</b> <i>Tim Fry</i>



# Keep in Your Prayers



## Pray for These PBL Members

<b>Jean Archer</b>	dealing with a chronic cough
<b>Linda Coe</b>	having an ultrasound on the blood clot in her leg
<b>Betty Davis</b>	dealing with a chronic cough
<b>Maria Hackshaw</b>	dealing with severe back pain
<b>Patricia Hackshaw</b>	major surgery at Wellington Regional on Dec. 15
<b>Dan Johnson</b>	at Promedica, recovering from double amputation
<b>Gwen Lyons</b>	having another surgery on her ankle on Dec. 22
<b>Owen Miley</b>	recovering from back surgery
<b>Cheryl Milton</b>	recovering at home
<b>Joel Ramirez</b>	recovering at home
<b>Maurine Reed</b>	back at Hamlin Place
<b>Don Seay</b>	discharged from the hospital
<b>Peggy Simpkins</b>	awaiting test results on her cancer
<b>Sam Simpkins</b>	diagnosed with 3 cancerous tumors on his bladder
<b>Jettie Sweetenburg</b>	diagnosed with lung cancer, awaiting treatment options
<b>Jonah Watson</b>	had his surgery postponed
<b>Evetta Wilson</b>	recovering from oral surgery

## Ongoing Health Issues

<b>Lillian Bankston</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Judy Carmack</b>	multiple health issues
<b>Robin Landen</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	Inell Ingram
Josie Dawson	Daniel Johnson
Zula Garrett	Betty Matter
Terri Hahn	Joyce Parker
Margie Hardin	Leigh Puckett
Loretta Holaday	Ricky Smedley
Joan Holloway	

## Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

<b>Joan Alberga</b>	Ally Alberga's mother, health continues to decline
<b>Louie Bone</b>	Betty Davis' brother, fell and is having seizures
<b>Frank Daniels</b>	Melinda Price's father, treatments for prostate cancer
<b>Diane McArthur</b>	Maxine McCoy's mother, still dealing with heart issues
<b>Clara Medina</b>	Carolina Alvarenga's sister, ongoing health issues
<b>Mary Pietro</b>	Nicholas Pietro's mother, radiation on 15 brain tumors
<b>Lillie Teague</b>	Sabrina Pietro's mother, dealing with spreading cancer

**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, December 18

- ◆ **New Bible Classes Begin** at 9:00 a.m. for all children and adults.

## Monday, December 19

- ◆ **No Monday Night Bible Study.** Class will resume in January.

## Tuesday, December 20

- ◆ **No Tuesday Morning Bible Study.** Class will resume in January.

## Sunday, January 1

- ◆ **Every Member Present Sunday** for Bible Class and Worship. New plans for the new year will be presented, and every member is urged to be in attendance. Let's start the new year together!

## Monday, January 9

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

## Friday, January 13

- ◆ **Family Group 4 Meeting** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Jim Rogers. Bring a potluck dish to share. This is for all PBL members and families who live south of Southern Blvd.

## Sunday, January 15

- ◆ **PBL Family Photos Updated.** If you've never had your photo taken in the Family Room, if your photo needs to be updated, or if you have been personally contacted, please have your photo taken **after morning services or before evening services** by Mike Erickson in the Family Room.

## Friday-Sunday, January 20-22, 2022

- ◆ **Youth & Family Camping Trip** at Fisheating Creek. Sign up on the bulletin board in the Lobby by January 15. Cost is \$25 per person.

## Friday, January 27

- ◆ **Ladies & Lattes** at 7:00 p.m. Location TBD. 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.

## Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ Young Adults

## Sunday, December 18

- ◆ **New Bible Classes Begin** at 9:00 a.m. for all children and adults. Kirk Crews will be teaching the young adult class on "Life Lessons from Jesus."

## Saturday, January 7

- ◆ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Josh & Cara Blackmer.

## Monday, January 9

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

## Friday-Sunday, January 20-22, 2022

- ◆ **Youth & Family Camping Trip** at Fisheating Creek. Sign up on the bulletin board in the Lobby by January 15. Cost is \$25 per person. We will worship with the Clewiston congregation that Sunday. See Josh Blackmer or Ivan Villard for more details.



## Palm Beach Lakes Youth

## Sunday, December 18

- ◆ **New Bible Classes Begin** at 9:00 a.m. for all children and adults.
- ◆ **No His Kids Class.** Will resume on January 8.

## Saturday, December 31

- ◆ **Jr. High & Sr. High New Year's Eve Hangout** at 9:00 p.m. at the home of Josh & Cara Blackmer. Please RSVP to Josh Blackmer.

## Sunday, January 1

- ◆ **Deadline to sign up for Challenge Youth Conference.** This is for Grades 8 and up. Cost is \$75 plus food for meals. Sign up on the bulletin. See Josh Blackmer for more details.

## Sunday, January 8

- ◆ **Jr. High & Sr. High Family Devo & Potluck** after morning services to go over the 2023 calendar and Robert Lupo's arrival. Please bring a potluck dish and drinks to share. Josh will answer any questions you have about the youth work at PBL.

# PALM BEACH LAKES CHURCH OF CHRIST

## Men's Worship Service Assignments - January 2023

January 2 <sup>(A)</sup>

January 9 <sup>(L)</sup>

January 16 <sup>(A)</sup>

January 23 <sup>(A)</sup>

January 30 <sup>(C)</sup>

Morning Worship Service					
Song Leader	Dion Hayes	Gary Friedly	Dion Hayes	Gary Friedly	Dion Hayes
Opening Prayer	Robert Mariano	Paul Metzkes	Jeff Leslie	Richard Watson	David Lord
Scripture Reader	Tim Cox	Bill Ingram, Jr.	Jim Rogers	Ricky Smith	Darin Summerlot
Presiding at Table	Philip Porter	Dion Hayes	Michael Ellis	Stephen Beliech	Dan McLeod
Serving at Table	Troy Alberga Victor Colage Trey Higbee Namddie Ikon Richard Kelley Steward Lynch Tim Mahlbacher Taylor Reeves Vincent Rogers Tyler Williams	Andy Anderson Ed Buonadonna Devin Eutsey Andres Fernandez Gary Jenkins David Perez Chuck Reeves, Jr. Islay Rodriguez, Jr. Daniel Swayne Brandan Widner	Lance Collier Gorman Ericksen Michael Erickson Connor Goodale Jeff Goodale Hunter Hinton Luther Robinson Islay Rodriguez Cristian Suarez Joseph Snyder	Namddie Ikon Todd Juckett Richard Kelley Orlando Lolo Steward Lynch Tim Mahlbacher Taylor Reeves Vincent Rogers Nahum Villard Tyler Williams	Ed Buonadonna Addison Collins Bob Higbee Bill Ingram, Jr. Daniel Lord David Perez Chuck Reeves, Jr. Islay Rodriguez, Jr. Dirk Summerlot Brandan Widner
Closing Prayer	Willie Smith	David Holaday	Josh Blackmer	Novel Brown	Dan Fuller

Evening Worship Service					
Song Leader	Dan McLeod	Stephen Beliech	Ivan Villard	Dan McLeod	Young Men Conducting PM Worship Service
Opening Prayer	Stephen Beliech	Dan Fuller	Johnny Davis	Willie Smith	
Scripture Reader	Tim Fry	Addison Collins	Graysen Hayes	Rick Hall	
Presiding at Table	Novel Brown	David Lord	Joe Maloney	Tim Fry	
Serving at Table	Silas Balfour Nicholas Pietro	Daniel Wagner Leonard Williams	Jim Davis Kameron Heitler	Silas Balfour Trey Higbee	
Closing Prayer	Richard Watson	Dirk Summerlot	John Hoelzer	Phil Porter	

Technical Assignments (Sunday & Wednesday)					
Audio	Ricky Smith	David Brown	James Green	David Brown	David Brown
Computer	Daniel Lord	Cris Cuevas	Bob Higbee	Ivan Villard	Cris Cuevas
Video	Todd Juckett	Edward Gager	Scott Studer	Scott Studer	Edward Gager

Service Assignments (Sunday & Wednesday)					
Safety	Nahum Villard	Darin Summerlot	Kirk Crews	Seth Watson	Daniel Swayne
Usher	Rick Hall Seth Watson	Bob Higbee Dan McLeod	Lawrence Williams Marty Williams	Victor Colage Tom Garrison	Andres Fernandez Eugene Williams

Service Coordinator (Sunday Morning & Evening)					
	Bob Higbee	Eugene Williams	Mike Damron	Tim Cox	Rick Hall (AM) Josh Blackmer (PM)

Please consider this opportunity to serve as special and dress accordingly.

Sunday Morning - Meet in Grade 7-8 classroom at 9:45 AM. Sunday Evening - Meet at front of auditorium before 5:50 PM.

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

Technical, Safety and Usher assignments are for Sunday morning, evening and Wednesday.

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

**Members Traveling**  
this week



**Thank You**  
for worshipping with us

Sunday,  
December 11



We rejoice with **Crystal Burroughs** who was baptized on Sunday morning, December 11. She is the wife of **Sylvester Jackson**.



-  **Facebook (@PBLCoC)**
-  **Instagram (@pblchurchofchrist).**
-  **YouTube (@PalmBeachLakeschurchofChrist)**
-  **Bookmark our website (www.pblcoc.org)**

**LOCAL VISITORS:** Mrs. Mimi Bauer; Ms. Stephanie Flournoy; Ms. Sylvia Goldie; Mr. & Mrs. Keith & Kim Hutchison; Mr. Collin Kato; Ms. Laquanda Renee Lane; Mr. & Mrs. Dennis & Sharon Mann; Mr. Don McClintock; Mr. Colton McKinney; Miss Victoria Michwanazi; and Mrs. Susan Shelt.

**OUT-OF-TOWN VISITORS:** Mrs. Amanda Benezra, Melbourne, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Jerry & Mary Jo Cole; Mr. & Mrs. Keith & Susan Joy, New Albany, OH; and Miss Jasmine Matthew, Boynton Beach, FL.



Sunday, December 18th  
Ted & Karen Friesner (Ann.)  
Rick & Melinda Price (Ann.)

Wednesday, December 21st  
Casey Bound  
Islay Rodriguez, Sr.

Monday, December 19th  
Victor & Sandy Colage (Ann.)  
Patricia Patterson  
Mary Quinn

Thursday, December 22nd  
Devin Eutsey  
Emma Reeves

Tuesday, December 20th  
Eugene Williams

Friday, December 23rd  
Sam & Peggy Simpkins (Ann.)  
Janice Cooley  
David Lord

### 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, December 18

Opening Prayer ..... Gary Jenkins  
Singing ..... Gary Friedly  
Contribution..... Dan Fuller  
Scripture Reading.....Andy Anderson  
Singing  
Sermon  
Singing  
Lord's Supper  
Singing  
Closing Prayer ..... Dan McLeod

Serve at Table:  
Troy Alberga            Edward Gager  
Ed Buonadonna        Daniel Lord  
Addison Collins        Cody Price  
Cris Cuevas            Chuck Reeves, Jr.  
Freddie Gadson        Eugene Williams

#### Sunday Evening, December 18

Singing ..... Ivan Villard  
Opening Prayer..... Paul Metzkes  
Scripture Reading ..... Daniel Wagner  
Singing  
Lord's Supper..... Dirk Summerlot  
Contribution  
Singing  
Sermon  
Singing  
Closing Prayer..... Darin Summerlot

Serve at Table:  
Devin Eutsey            Leonard Williams

Audio this week: James Green  
Computer this week: Bob Higbee  
Video this week: Scott Studer

#### Wednesday Evening, December 21

Singing ..... Daniel Wagner  
Invitation..... Dan Jenkins  
Family Prayer ..... Paul Metzkes

### Our Record

Attendance	Dec. 11	Nov. Avg
Sun. Bible Study	179	186
Sun. AM Worship	257	251
Sun. PM Worship	122	119
Wed. Bible Study	123	134
Contribution	\$16,818	\$16,951

2022 Weekly Budget: \$15,220

Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$63,644

Service Coordinator:  
Mike Damron

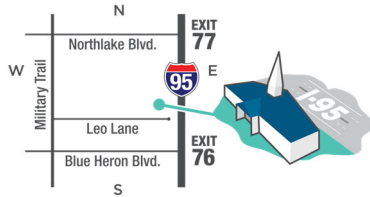
Ushers for this week: Andres Fernandez & Daniel Swayne  
Safety Team for this week: Brandan Widner



# 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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## First Sunday of the New Year

The theme and plans for 2023  
will be presented.

*Let's start the year off together!*

## NEW BIBLE CLASSES FOR JR. HIGH & SR. HIGH

(DEC. 18-FEB. 22)

### SUNDAY MORNINGS

## Issues Young People Face

(Josh Blackmer)

### WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

## Pentateuch

(Dan Fuller)