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Phil Porter.....575-4782  
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Dan Jenkins.....379-2325  
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Robert Lupo.....315-1411

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Lance Collier.....985-4407  
Kirk Crews.....339-9283  
Mike Erickson.....310-9916  
Tim Fry.....373-9121  
Jeff Goodale.....261-1188  
Rick Hall.....622-5131  
Gary Jenkins.....889-3585  
Jeff Leslie.....744-3444  
David Lord.....346-2228  
Buzz Nelson.....385-1588  
Lawrence Williams.....662-3419

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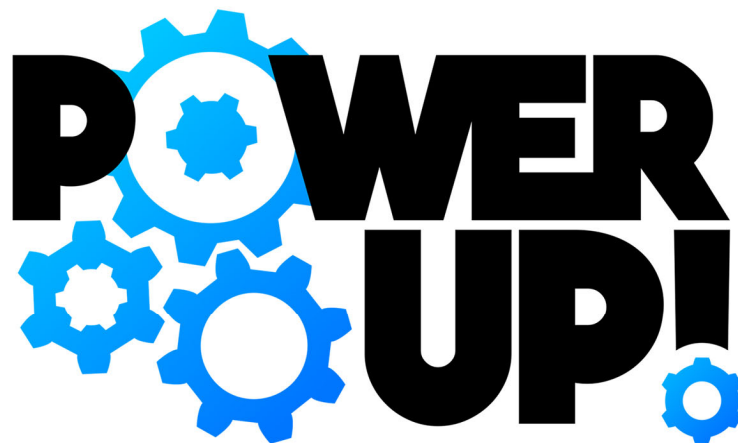
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A Recharge for Christian Men

**Saturday, May 3, 2025**



**THE CHURCH  
THAT BELONGS  
TO GOD?**

**FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY**

**MAY 4**



By Dan Jenkins

## When God Gives a “Mudpack” Facial

It goes without saying—I know very little about having a mudpack on one’s face, hoping it will make them more beautiful. I just asked Google what this would cost and learned that they can cost from \$35 to \$200. Have you considered that God once told His people of His plan to give them a “mudpack” facial? If not, keep reading this article to the end.

There is a description of that time when a person understood he should offer sacrifices to God, so he found a blind sheep or goat and made that animal his sacrifice. After all, a sheep is a sheep, whether it is blind or not. The animal was to be slain anyway, so why not bring a blind animal as your sacrifice? Nothing so far about a facial—keep reading.

At that same altar, another person brought an animal to sacrifice to God. The animal he brought was lame, and it seemed to him that this animal could be used. After all, a sheep is a sheep whether it is crippled or not. The animal was to be slain anyway, so why not bring a crippled animal as your sacrifice? Nothing so far about a facial—keep reading.

At that same altar, another person brought as his sacrifice an animal he had stolen. His thoughts were that this animal could be used. After all, a sheep is a sheep whether it was stolen or not. The animal was to be slain anyway, so why not

bring an animal from another person’s flock to be used as the sacrifice? Nothing so far about a facial—keep reading.

At that same altar, many were there because they felt like they had to go. Their animals were better, but their attitude was totally wrong. When they thought about worship, they said, “What a weariness it is.” They had no joy in coming, but came anyway and wished they didn’t have to come. Nothing so far about a facial—keep reading.

These individuals are specifically described in the first two chapters of Malachi. They were among those who returned from Babylonian captivity and had built a new temple and restored the city of Jerusalem from its ruins. There likely had been a time when coming to worship God was something they really enjoyed, but now they were there more from a sense of obligation. This attitude is seen in the sacrifice they brought. Nothing about a facial—keep reading.

How did God react to this? He challenged them to give this kind of sacrifice to the governor to see if he would feel honored that he had been given “leftovers” from the flock.

How did God react to this? Read His words about the facial He was about to give. “Behold, I will...spread dung upon your faces” (Mal. 2:3). Keep these thoughts in mind as you come to worship. You do not want God to give you a facial!

To find out the kind of facial God will give, keep reading to the very end



By David Sproule

## Give Me the Bible, Not “Sola Scriptura” (Part 4 of 6)

What have we learned from the Bible so far? Notice that this is not what a church would have us to believe or what a group of men have set out as a belief system. These are Bible certainties that we can know by simply reading the Bible. Bible certainty #1: ALL Scripture in the Old Testament and New Testament is inspired of God. Bible certainty #2: The 66 books of the Old Testament and New Testament are ALL-sufficient for man today. Bible certainty #3: The truth of God’s Word has been once for ALL delivered. Where does that lead us?

**Bible certainty #4: The Bible is ALL-authoritative in our lives.** The 66 books in your Bible are not only perpetually relevant to your life today (Heb. 4:12), but Christ’s authority is perpetually supreme and active over us. It is clear that Christ has “ALL authority” (Matt. 28:18). We must “hear” (i.e., heed and submit to) Him “in all things, whatever He says” (Matt. 17:5; Acts 3:22), lest we be “utterly destroyed” (Acts 3:23). This One, who has ALL authority, made it clear that “He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him—the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day” (John 12:48).

When you pick up His inspired Scripture, Christ wants

you to know that the “authority” within the words that He spoke AND the “authority” within the words that the Holy Spirit guided the men to write in Scripture is the very “word” and very “authority” of the Father in heaven (John 12:49-50; 16:13; 17:8, 14). Since ALL Scripture is from God, and since it is ALL-sufficient for man, and since it has been once for ALL delivered, and since it is ALL-authoritative, it is no wonder that we are commanded, “And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus” (Col. 3:17). We have no authority outside of His authority for any doctrine or practice that is not authorized in His Word.

We have no authority outside of His authority for any doctrine or practice

**Bible certainty #5: The Bible is PERFECT and demands (and deserves) ALL respect and obedience.** The mind of God (i.e., His “ways” and His “thoughts”) is infinitely “higher” (i.e., superior) to the greatest minds of humankind of all time (Isa. 55:8-9).

Man—in his finite, sinful and helpless ways—is in desperate need of wisdom, which has been provided for us—completely and fully—in the 66 books of His Scripture. It is laughable to think that man could “become [God’s] counselor” (Rom. 11:34) or instruct and teach God something (Isa. 40:13-14). When the perfect God chose to perfectly reveal Himself and His will for mankind inside the pages of His inspired Bible, you know that the result would be perfect (Jas. 1:25; Psa. 19:7). So, what must the imperfect do with that which is perfect? (Next week)





By Robert Lupo

## Take Some Responsibility

If you had siblings like me, there may have been a time or two when you got in trouble and shouted, “My brother made me do it!” Quickly, we found out that was not an excuse, even if our brother egged us on. We are responsible for our actions.

The Book of Ezekiel tells of Israel’s impending punishment. Because they did not keep God’s commandments, the Lord was bringing judgment. If someone reads the books of the Kings and Chronicles alone, they might get the impression that Israel was being punished for the sins of their kings. However, Ezekiel is clear that the guilt of sin is only borne by the one who commits it.

**We are only  
guilty of the sins  
we commit.**

In chapter 18, the individual’s responsibility for sin is explained. A proverb was circulating in Israel. It said, “The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge...” The claim was being made that children are punished because of the sins of their parents. God condemned this proverb for its false teaching. In verse 3, He says, “‘As I live,’ says the Lord God, ‘you shall no longer use this proverb in Israel.’”

Firstly, punishment can only be carried out on the person who sins. In the next verse, the Lord proclaims, “Behold, all souls are Mine; The soul who sins shall die.” Each

person must give an account of their righteousness or unrighteousness. God says, “If he has walked in My statutes and kept My judgments faithfully—He is just; He shall surely live!” (Ezek. 18:9). God is a rewarder of good works. However, He also punishes the wicked. In verse 13, God explains, “If he has exacted usury or taken increase—Shall he then live? He shall not live! If he has done any of these abominations, He shall surely die; His blood shall be upon him.” Whether good or bad, the Lord will reward or punish based on our own actions.

Secondly, guilt cannot be passed down. In verse 20, the Lord says, “The son shall not bear the guilt of the father, nor the father bear the guilt of the son. The righteousness of the righteous shall be upon himself, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon himself.” No one is at fault for the actions of their relative. When Adam and Eve ate the fruit, they received their punishment. While we experience the results of their actions by living outside of the Garden of Eden, we inherit no sin. We are only guilty of the sins we commit.

We need to take responsibility for our actions. The only sins we are responsible for are the ones we have committed. But God is merciful, and we can rest assured that if we repent of our sins, we will be forgiven. The Lord says, “‘For I have no pleasure in the death of one who dies,’ says the Lord God. ‘Therefore turn and live!’” (Ezek. 18:32).

## Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

### The head of the church lives!

How beautiful is God’s design for His church! Everything that we know and need to know about it is found in His beautiful Scriptures! The church was planned by Jesus (Eph. 3:9-11), built by Jesus (Matt. 16:18), purchased by Jesus (Acts 20:28), started by Jesus (Acts 2:22-47), is loved by Jesus (Eph. 5:25), is governed by Jesus (Col. 3:17), is shepherded by Jesus (Heb. 13:20), is overseen by Jesus (1 Pet. 2:25), is ruled by Jesus (Eph. 1:22-23), and will be delivered by Jesus to the eternal reward of heaven (1 Cor. 15:24; Heb. 12:23; Eph. 5:26-27).

Jesus is “THE head of THE church” (Eph. 5:23). There is only ONE church (Eph. 4:4), and that one church has ONE head—Jesus Christ (Col. 1:18), who alone has “ALL authority” (Matt. 28:18). And the beautiful thing to remember is that THE head of THE church already died (and He died for THE church, Eph. 5:25). And, best of all, He rose from the dead, never to die again—“I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore” (Rev. 1:18).

How beautiful to know that the head of the church lives! – DS



### “Isn’t everybody related?”

What a smart girl! Instead of listening to what so many in the world would have her to believe, the 8-year-old young lady used the brain that God gave her and figured it out on her own. She came out of worship on Sunday and said, “If Adam and Eve were the first people, and they had children, and then those had children, then isn’t everybody related?” *Ding, ding, ding, ding! Yes!*

Our society wants us to draw lines of division all between us, separating us into “this category” of people and “that category” of people, and then wanting us to be suspicious of those in the other “categories.” The Bible says that God “made from one *man* every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth” (Acts 17:26). The word “man” is in italics, as it is supplied by translators. The verse literally says that God made every person on earth “from one.”

Yes, we are all related! We are all distant cousins of each other! Even better, because of Jesus, we can all be related as “one” family in Christ (Gal. 3:28). – DS

# Keep in Your Prayers



## Pray for These PBL Members

<b>Jimmie Banks</b>	scheduled for surgery on May 22
<b>Dianne Halenda</b>	severe leg pain, awaiting test results
<b>Lynne Jorgensen</b>	having cataract surgery on May 1
<b>Charlene Knowles</b>	fell and has a fractured shoulder
<b>Dorothy Pernell</b>	undergoing tests on her heart
<b>Jackie Stout</b>	follow-up appts for hip replacement complications
<b>Amy West</b>	still recovering from her fall

## Ongoing Health Issues

<b>Jimmie Banks</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Judy Carmack</b>	chronic health issues
<b>John Loftis</b>	back pain, weakness
<b>Tiffany Mayes</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Joel Ramirez</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Sherri Richmond</b>	multiple health issues
<b>Henry Williams</b>	dialysis treatments

## Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

<b>Judy Chilcutt</b>	Stephen Beliech's sister, under Hospice Care
<b>Thelma Findley</b>	Maria Hackshaw's mother, recovering at home
<b>Linda Smith</b>	Jermaine Smith's mother, recovering from cancer surg.

## Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Kasandra Jones
Josie Dawson	Leigh Puckett
Zula Garrett	Maurine Reed
Dick Haines	Don Seay
Loretta Holaday	Ricky Smedley
Daniel Johnson	

**Remember Our Mission Works**

*Pacific Islands*  
Robert & Mary Martin  
Wayne & Kristi Parker

*Africa*  
Nnanna Aforji  
Tamuka Arunashe

*Bahamas*  
Tavaro & Shameika Hanna

*United States*  
Apologetics Press  
Robert C. Lupo  
Mauricio & Kayla Yegros

*Answering Macedonian Calls*  
Josh & Cara Blackmer



# Church Family Calendar of Events

## Monday, April 28

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

## Tuesday, April 29

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

## Saturday, May 3

- ♦ **Elders' Workshop with Dan Winkler** at 9:00 a.m.
- ♦ **Power Up! A Recharge for Christian Men** from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. This year's theme is "Trusting My God More." Please RSVP to office@pblcoc.org.

## Sunday, May 4

- ♦ **Friends & Family Day with Dan Winkler.** The theme is "The Church That Belongs to God?" There will be a combined Bible Class at 9:00 a.m. for Jr. High, Sr. High and adults in the Auditorium.  
9:00 a.m. *I Want to Belong to the Church That Belongs to God (Is there just one?)*  
10:00 a.m. *Which Church Is the Church That Belongs to God? (The answer may surprise you)*

## Monday, May 5

- ♦ **Men's Meet** at 6:30 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. This is a great opportunity for men of all generations to fellowship.

## Saturday, May 17

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Ivan Villard or Robert Lupo for more details.
- ♦ **PBL Ladies' Prayer Meeting** at 1:00 p.m. in the Family Room. See Maria Hackshaw for more details.

## Saturday, May 24

- ♦ **MOM Group Dinner & Devotional** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Misty Hayes. This is for all PBL moms of children from birth to 18.

## Sunday, May 25

- ♦ **High School Graduates' Luncheon** after morning worship in the Family Room. All members are encouraged to attend and bring a potluck dish to share. See Robert Lupo for more details.

## Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ Young Adults

### Friday, May 9

- ♦ **Young Adult Devo** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Robert & Reanna Lupo.

### Saturday, May 17

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Ivan Villard or Robert Lupo for more details.

### Saturday, May 24

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Ivan Villard or Robert Lupo for more details.

### Saturday, May 31

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Ivan Villard or Robert Lupo for more details.

### Wednesday-Friday, June 4-6

- ♦ **VBS Setup** beginning immediately after Bible Study on Wednesday; Thursday & Friday at 6:30 p.m.



## Palm Beach Lakes Youth

### Sunday, April 27

- ♦ **His Kids Class** at 5:30 p.m. for Age 3 and up. Meet in the front of the auditorium.
- ♦ **Jr. High & Sr. High Devo** after evening worship. Please bring a drink or dessert to share.

### Sunday, May 11

- ♦ **His Kids Class** at 5:30 p.m. for Age 3 and up. Meet in the front of the auditorium.

### Saturday, May 17

- ♦ **Teen Lunch & VBS Evangelism** after the VBS work day. Bring money for food. See Robert Lupo for more details.

### Sunday, May 25

- ♦ **High School Graduates' Luncheon** after morning worship in the Family Room. All members are encouraged to attend and bring a potluck dish to share. See Robert Lupo for more details.
- ♦ **Jr. High & Sr. High Family Devo** after evening worship at the home of Dan & Loni Fuller.

# PALM BEACH LAKES CHURCH OF CHRIST

## Men's Worship Service Assignments - May 2025

May 4 <sup>(A)</sup>

May 11 <sup>(P)</sup>

May 18 <sup>(L)</sup>

May 25 <sup>(A)</sup>

Morning Worship Service				
Song Leader	Dion Hayes	Robert Lupo	Gary Friedly	Robert Lupo
Opening Prayer	Kirk Crews	Tim Cox	Gary Jenkins	Kane Campbell
Scripture Reader	Eugene Williams	Robert Mariano	Addison Collins	Kirk Crews
Presiding at Table	Dan Jenkins	Stephen Beliech	Dan McLeod	Jeff Leslie
Serving at Table	Casey Crews James Green Jeff Leslie Michael Menendez John Patrick Jim Rogers Joseph Snyder Marty Williams	Troy Alberga Ryan Hankins Namdide Ikon Steward Lynch Tim Mahlbacher Taylor Reeves Lawrence Williams Tyler Williams	Ed Buonadonna Israel Cuevas Gorman Ericksen Bill Ingram, Jr. Chuck Reeves, Jr. Cristian Suarez Dirk Summerlot Daniel Swayne	Casey Crews James Green Graysen Hayes Michael Menendez John Patrick Jim Rogers Joseph Snyder Marty Williams
Closing Prayer	Jimmie Banks	Orlando Lolo	Freddie Gadson	Islay Rodriguez

Evening Worship Service				
Song Leader	Robert Lupo	Ivan Villard	Stephen Beliech	Dion Hayes
Opening Prayer	Ivan Villard	Philip Porter	Dan Fuller	Jimmie Banks
Scripture Reader	John Hoelzer	Ricky Smith	David Brown	Connor Goodale
Presiding at Table	Kane Campbell	Tim Fry	Darin Summerlot	John Hoelzer
Serving at Table	Lance Collier Jack Holoman	Joe Maloney Trevin Roman	Bobby Shelton Daniel Wagner	Lance Collier Jack Holoman
Closing Prayer	Graysen Hayes	Richard Watson	Paul Metzkes	Jeff Goodale

Technical Assignments (Sunday & Wednesday)				
Audio	Ricky Smith	David Brown	James Green	David Brown
Computer	Buzz Nelson	Israel Cuevas	Buzz Nelson	Ivan Villard
Video	Ed Gager	Scott Studer	Ed Gager	Scott Studer

Service Assignments (Sunday & Wednesday)				
Safety	Vincent Rogers	Rick Price	David Lord	Rick Hall
Usher	Rick Hall Islay Rodriguez	Victor Colage Nahum Villard	Mike Damron Andres Fernandez	Michael Erickson Eugene Williams

Service Coordinator (Sunday Morning & Evening)				
	Rick Hall	Eugene Williams	Mike Damron	Tim Cox

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

Sunday Morning - Meet in Grade 6-8 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,  
April 20



## Directory Changes

20. **Terietta Frazier** placed membership on Sunday, April



Mark your calendar and RSVP for this year's Vacation Bible School: "Christian Academy" which will be taking place Sunday-Wednesday, June 8-11 each night at 7:00 p.m. There will be classes for all ages (babies thru adults)! Invite your friends!

**LOCAL VISITORS:** Mr. Charles Davidson; Mrs. Evelyn Green; Mr. & Mrs. Ray & Julianne Henderson; Miss Pamela King; Miss Deon King; Mr. Jerome Love; Mr. & Mrs. Dennis & Sharon Mann; Mr. & Mrs. Rai & Ashley Masuda; Ms. Tiffany McIntosh; Ms. Sasha Miller; Miss D.L. Moore; Ms. Ann Marie Newman; Mrs. Sherrie Tibbetts; Mr. Joshua Tull; and Mr. Trevor Wellington.

**OUT-OF-TOWN VISITORS:** Mr. & Mrs. Russell & Susan Beliech, Reeds Spring, MO; Mr. Jerry Cole, Okeechobee, FL; Mrs. Tia DiSalvio, Sebastian, FL; Mrs. Kathryn Fuller, Plantation, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Tavaro & Shameika Hanna, Freeport, Grand Bahama; Mrs. Christina Leonhardt, Imperial, MO; Mr. & Mrs. Mark & Elsa Lester, Orlando, FL; Mrs. Jonlyn Meacham, Imperial, MO; Mrs. Paulette Morgan, Orlando, FL; Miss Kerri Morgan, Orlando, FL; Mr. Tyler Nesbitt & Mr. Weston Nesbitt, Orlando, FL; Ms. Florencia Siders, Orlando, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Warren & Rise Smith, Plantation, FL; and Mr. & Mrs. John & LaWanda Turner, Freeport, Grand Bahama.

## Birthdays & Anniversaries *This Week*

Sunday, April 27th

Jordan & Marsha Beasley (Ann.)  
Marie Telfort

Monday, April 28th (cont.)

James Green

Tuesday, April 29th

Beth Fry

Monday, April 28th

Kane Campbell

## 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, April 27

Sermon  
Singing ..... Robert Lupo  
Opening Prayer ..... Dan McLeod  
Singing  
Lord's Supper ..... Paul Metzkes  
Contribution  
Singing  
Scripture Reading ..... Dan Fuller  
Singing  
Closing Prayer ..... David Holaday

Serve at Table:

Ed Buonadonna Gary Jenkins  
Addison Collins David Perez  
Gorman Ericksen Chuck Reeves, Jr.  
Andres Fernandez Cristian Suarez

### Sunday Evening, April 27

Singing ..... Dion Hayes  
Opening Prayer ..... Darin Summerlot  
Scripture Reading ..... Daniel Wagner  
Singing  
Lord's Supper ..... David Lord  
Contribution  
Singing  
Sermon  
Singing  
Closing Prayer ..... Douglas Alvarenga

Serve at Table:

Israel Cuevas Ed Gager

Audio this week: David Brown

Computer this week: Ivan Villard

Video this week: Scott Studer

### Wednesday Evening, April 30

Singing ..... Graysen Hayes  
Invitation ..... Tim Cox  
Family Prayer ..... David Lord

## Our Record

Attendance	Apr. 20	Mar. Avg
Sun. Bible Study	195	168
Sun. AM Worship	346	286
Sun. PM Worship	119	136
Wed. Bible Study	137	133
Contribution	\$17,403	\$17,384
2025 Weekly Budget: \$16,803		
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$8,324		

Service Coordinator:  
Tim Cox

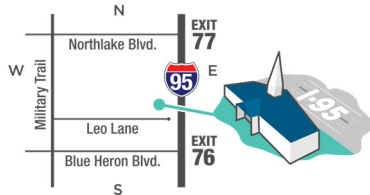
Ushers for this week: Mike Damron & Dirk Summerlot  
Safety Team for this week: Daniel Swayne



# 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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WHOM HAVE I IN HEAVEN BUT YOU? AND THERE IS



NOTHING ON EARTH THAT I DESIRE BESIDES YOU.

PSALM 73:25