

Shepherds

Dan Fuller.....685-4454
Dion Hayes.....214-533-5065
Paul Metzkes.....870-8042
*Phil Porter.....575-4782
Richard Watson.....307-2608

*Chairman for the Month of May

Evangelists

Dan Jenkins.....379-2325
David Sproule.....301-2230
Robert Lupo.....315-1411

Deacons

David Brown.....972-7608
Victor Colage.....719-1490
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
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A vibrant comic book-style graphic with a yellow and orange background featuring radiating lines. In the top left, a speech bubble contains the words "SUPER HERO" in bold, stylized letters. A large, jagged white shape in the center contains the text "VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL" in red, "CHRISTIAN" in large black letters, and "ACADEMY" in large black letters. Below this, a white banner with a black border says "JUNE 8-11". At the bottom, it says "EACH NIGHT AT 7:00 P.M.". In the bottom right corner, it says "PLEASE RSVP WWW.PBLCOC.ORG". A small illustration of a city skyline is visible in the bottom left corner of the graphic.



Honoring Our Graduates
(See page 2.)

Congratulations, Graduates!



Troy Alberga

High School: Glades Day, Homeschool, Dual Enrollment PBSC

Activities in School: basketball, weightlifting

Awards: Gold Gators Honor Roll, Great Gains in weightlifting, Monopoly Championship

Hobbies: studying the Bible and all things Bible trivia, beating my friends at Monopoly, hanging out with my friends

PBL Memories: Getting baptized, devotionals, hanging out, Leadership Training Camp, CFBC

Future plans: Graduate in December, attend Freed-Hardeman University, major in Bible



Jamie Green

High School: P.B. Central

Activities in School: Future Leaders United for Change, Delta Gems, PBC Homeless Coalition, National Achievers Society, Women of Tomorrow, Varsity Volleyball Team

Awards: Honor Roll, AICE Diploma, Certificates for Suits and AVID

Hobbies: playing volleyball, watching videos, spending time with friends, volunteering in community

PBL Memories: Leadership Training Camp and foosball tournaments

Future plans: Attend college, major in Public Administration, work in public sector to create lasting change in underserved communities



Calissa Hodges

High School: P.B. Gardens

Activities in School: Student Government Association

Awards: Honor Roll

Hobbies: listening to music, reading thriller books, spending time with friends, learning about health-related topics

PBL Memories: Trunk-Or-Treat, VBS, youth devotionals

Future plans: Attend Miami Dade College for two years, earn an Associate's degree in Radiology



Taylor Sue Price

High School: Jupiter

Activities in School: Track Team, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Christian Club

Awards: Academic Scholar, Honor Roll

Hobbies: going to the beach, paddle boarding, hanging with friends, making bracelets, shopping, rock climbing

PBL Memories: getting baptized, Spring Formal, CFBC, VBS

Future plans: Attend Florida College, study Business, then open up my own coffee shop and flower shop

Other High School Graduates:

Cayden Scriven
Sabrina Swayne

Recent College Graduates: *(if known)*

Josiah Blackmer (Freed-Hardeman University)
Haley Hall (University of Central Florida)





By Dan Jenkins

Book, Chapter and Verse AND More

When we look at our Bible, we are so blessed even though we may not realize just how blessed we are to have our own personal printed copy of God's will for us.

Our Bible is divided into books, and it was God who determined these divisions. He sent His Spirit upon chosen men to give us a record of so much of what He has done in the past. These men did not give a private interpretation of His will. They were God's "mouthpieces" and the "handpieces" as He gave us the various books. "No prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit" (2 Pet. 1:20-21). God determined the book divisions.

These books were arranged and placed in the order in which we find them by those who received them. They were arranged so that we first have the five books of Moses, for these were the first given. The books of Moses are followed by twelve books of the history of what happened after Moses died. They tell us about Joshua's work and then the events that followed as the judges and kings led the Lord's people.

We then have five books containing the psalms (the songs and poems) written by men who lived during the time

recorded in those first seventeen books. They are different from those first books which primarily are historical. These poems contain more than the songs of the Jews. They record God's proverbs, short words of wisdom to shape how men think and the wisdom given through the wisest king who ever lived. This section also tells the conversation between Job and his friends and Job and God. This book is also written in poetical style in the Hebrew Bible and men placed it in this part where we have these poems of the Bible.

**Five + twelve +
five + seventeen
equals the thirty-
nine books of the
Old Testament**

There are then the seventeen books of prophecy which were written during the time of those first seventeen books of the Bible. While they contain some historical events, their greater content is the messages given by God to His holy nation after Joshua led them into the Promised Land. The messengers were the "mouthpieces" God used to speak to the nation He had chosen. He used these men to give His words to that nation about their current spiritual conditions and more importantly to give prophecies about the coming of a newer testament.

That first Old Testament contained thirty-nine books and was for the nation God brought out of Egypt. The New Testament is for every person of every nation. More importantly is the fact that it is His will for you and how you live your life. We will write more about this next week.



By David Sproule

Out of Context: "He Who Is Not With Us Is on Our Side"

One of the easiest things to do (it seems) is to quote a Bible verse—out of its original and intended context—in order to prove a point. However, in so doing, the validity of such argumentation has no foundation at all. As has long been stated, "A text, out of context, is a pretext."

While some verses may sound good and make us feel good, the original context must determine its intended meaning. This applies to Jesus' statement, "He who is not against us is on our side." This is often quoted by individuals today to provide some kind of justification for denominationalism, religious division or doctrinal differences. However, the immediate context and the complete Biblical context do not support such a conclusion. Let's look at it.

Read both Luke 9:49-50 and Mark 9:38-40. Both accounts essentially say the same thing. John told Jesus that the apostles forbade a certain man, because he was "casting out demons in Your name," but "he does not follow us." Jesus told John to "not forbid him, for he who is not against us is on our side." But that is NOT all that the text says. Read Mark 9:38. Jesus says, "No one who works a miracle in My name can soon afterward speak evil of Me." The fact that John was unaware of this man means nothing. Jesus affirms that this man (and

anyone else) could ONLY work a miracle in Jesus' name IF such power had been given by God. (That's the very nature of miraculous deeds. See John 3:2.) And, IF the man was working a deed by the power of God, THEN whatever he would "speak" would be the Word of God (and no different).

Jesus was affirming that this other man was teaching the SAME thing that He was, otherwise, God would not have given him the power to do miracles. Miracles were designed to confirm the message was from God (Mark 16:20; Heb. 2:3-4). While the man was "not with" the apostles, he was on Jesus' side from a purity of doctrine and practice standpoint. This passage cannot be used to justify doctrines or practices that differ from that which is authorized by Scripture.

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In the larger context, if this statement of Jesus proves that a doctrine or group that teaches and operates contrary to Scripture is approved of God and "with us," then it makes scores of passages non-sensical. (Examples: Matt 7:15-23; 1 Cor. 1:10-13; 1 Tim 1:3; 6:3; Gal. 1:6-9; Rev. 22:18-19; 2 Pet. 2:1-22; etc.). There is "one faith" (Eph. 4:5), which must be preached accurately (Gal. 1:23), obeyed precisely (Acts 6:7), stood for firmly (1 Cor. 16:13), and contended for earnestly (Jude 3). There "is not another" (Gal. 1:7). Anyone who preaches or practices another has departed from that faith (1 Tim. 4:1; 6:21) and is not on God's side!

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Jimmie Banks	surgery on May 22
Pete Brown	in La Posada (room 2066) for rehab, visitors welcome
Trish Clark	recovering from a procedure on her gums
Dianne Halenda	still dealing with severe leg pain
Lynne Jorgensen	recovering from second cataract surgery
Nadia King	recovering at home from surgery
Charlene Knowles	recovering from fractured shoulder
David Lord	dealing with a lot of pain from rheumatoid arthritis
Joe Maloney	dealing with severe back pain
Maurine Reed	in Bethesda East, undergoing tests
Jackie Stout	slowly improving from her hip replacement



Stephen Beliech, upon the passing of his sister, Judy Chilcutt, on Tuesday, May 20.

Ongoing Health Issues

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

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	

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Ann Freseman	Nicole Freseman's mom, Chatsworth (room C15), rehab
Bobby Haines	June Pack's son, cancer returned, minor surgery
Weston Nesbitt	Bret & Shelley Nesbitt's son, bulging disc in his spine
Patti Nielsen	John Hoelzer's sister, breast cancer surgery on May 23
Margie Willis	Shelley Nesbitt's mother, dealing with bronchitis





Church Family Calendar of Events

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.

Monday, May 26

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

Tuesday, May 27

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

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.

Sunday, June 1

- ♦ **Wedding Shower for Kinsey Hayes & Dan Chang** at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Room. They are registered at TheKnot.com.

Sunday, June 1 (cont.)

- ♦ **Shepherds Praying** at 5:30 p.m. in Adult 3. All members are invited to come and pray with them.

Wednesday, June 4

- ♦ **Summer Series: "When the Trumpet of the Lord Shall Sound"** at 7:00 p.m. Steven Akin will be speaking on "Will He Find Me Encouraging My Brethren?" Jr. High, Sr. High and adults will meet in the Auditorium.

Wednesday-Friday, June 4-6

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

Sunday-Wednesday, June 8-11

- ♦ **Vacation Bible School: "Christian Academy"** each night at 7:00 p.m. There are classes for all ages (babies thru adults)! We will be serving dinner Monday-Wednesday from 6:00-6:45 p.m. Everyone is welcome, but this is especially for families with children. Please use the QR Code to RSVP. See Ivan Villard or Robert Lupo for more details.



Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ Young Adults

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.

Sunday-Wednesday, June 8-11

- ♦ **Vacation Bible School: "Christian Academy"** each night at 7:00 p.m. See Ivan Villard or Robert Lupo for more details.

Friday, June 27

- ♦ **Young Adult Sunset Fellowship** at 7:00 p.m. at Lake Okeechobee. Bring a picnic dinner.

Saturday, August 2

- ♦ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. Location TBD. See Ivan Villard for more details.



Palm Beach Lakes Youth

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.
- ♦ **His Kids Class** at 5:30 p.m. for Age 3 and up. Meet in the front of the auditorium.
- ♦ **Jr. High & Sr. High Family Devo** after evening worship at the home of Dan & Loni Fuller.

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.

Sunday, June 1

- ♦ **Young Men Conducting Evening Services.** See Robert Lupo for details.

Saturday, June 2

- ♦ **His Kids Camp** from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. for PBL kids ages 5-11 (please, no friends or relatives).

PALM BEACH LAKES CHURCH OF CHRIST

Men's Worship Service Assignments - June 2025

June 1 ^(P)

June 8 ^(A)

June 15 ^(L)

June 22 ^(P)

June 29 ^(A)

Morning Worship Service					
Song Leader	Dion Hayes	Robert Lupo	Gary Friedly	Robert Lupo	Gary Friedly
Opening Prayer	Victor Colage	David Lord	Ivan Villard	Richard Watson	Gary Jenkins
Scripture Reader	Taylor Reeves	Darin Summerlot	Jim Rogers	Orlando Lolo	Dan McLeod
Presiding at Table	Richard Watson	Dion Hayes	Dan Jenkins	Victor Colage	Paul Metzkes
Serving at Table	Ryan Hankins Namddie Ikon Orlando Lolo Steward Lynch Robert Mariano Rick Price Lawrence Williams Tyler Williams	Ed Buonadonna Mike Damron Gorman Ericksen Andres Fernandez Ed Gager Bill Ingram, Jr. Cristian Suarez Daniel Swayne	Casey Crews Connor Goodale Jeff Leslie Michael Menendez Bret Nesbitt Islay Rodriguez Joseph Snyder Eugene Williams	Ryan Hankins Steward Lynch Tim Mahlbacher Robert Mariano Taylor Reeves Trevin Roman Nahum Villard Lawrence Williams	Ed Buonadonna Gorman Ericksen Freddie Gadson David Lord Chuck Reeves, Jr. Cristian Suarez Darin Summerlot Dirk Summerlot
Closing Prayer	Troy Alberga	Dan McLeod	Kirk Crews	Stephen Beliech	David Holaday

Evening Worship Service					
Song Leader	Young Men Conducting PM Worship Service	Ivan Villard	Dion Hayes	Dion Hayes	Stephen Beliech
Opening Prayer		Daniel Wagner	John Hoelzer	Stephen Beliech	Tim Fry
Scripture Reader		Paul Metzkes	Islay Rodriguez	Philip Porter	Joe Maloney
Presiding at Table		Douglas Alvarenga	Jeff Goodale	Joe Maloney	Stephen Beliech
Serving at Table		David Perez Bobby Shelton	Jack Holoman John Patrick	Troy Alberga Rick Price	Nicholas Pietro Trevin Roman
Closing Prayer		Dan Fuller	Mike Archer	Ricky Smith	Philip Porter

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

Service Assignments (Sunday & Wednesday)					
Safety	Nahum Villard	Chuck Reeves, Jr.	Jimmie Banks	Namddie Ikon	Addison Collins
Usher	Kane Campbell Tim Mahlbacher	Freddie Gadson Dirk Summerlot	Rick Hall Vincent Rogers	Tim Cox Tim Fry	Mike Damron Andres Fernandez

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

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,
May 18

LOCAL VISITORS: Mr. Jordan Anderson; Mr. Chris Casale; Mr. Roxroy Edmondson; Mrs. Tangela Jackson; Mr. & Mrs. Dennis & Sharon Mann; Ms. Ava McCray; Ms. Ann Marie Newman; and Mr. Trevor Wellington,

OUT-OF-TOWN VISITORS: Mr. & Mrs. Chet & Brenda Brown, Elko New Market, MN; Miss LaDon Cruz, Ft. Lauderdale, FL; Mr. Fritz Gerald Exantus, Belle Chasse, FL; and Mr. Weston Nesbitt, Orlando, FL.

Birthdays & Anniversaries
This Week

Monday, May 26th

Ramon & Ashley Alfaro (Ann.)
Lawrence & Julie Williams (Ann.)
Gloria Boyd

Friday, May 30th

Dianne Halenda

Saturday, May 31st

Douglas Alvarenga

Thursday, May 29th

Grace Judge

 **Thank You**
notes

Thank you church family for all your prayers, texts and calls while I was waiting on my test results. All is well! Glory be to God, our heavenly Father.

Ophelia Holmes



Shepherds Praying

Sundays In June
at 5:30 p.m. in Adult 3.

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, May 25

Singing Robert Lupo
Opening Prayer Kane Campbell
Scripture Reading Kirk Crews
Singing
Lord's Supper Jeff Leslie
Contribution
Singing
Sermon
Singing
Closing Prayer Islay Rodriguez

Serve at Table:

Casey Crews	John Patrick
James Green	Jim Rogers
Graysen Hayes	Joseph Snyder
Michael Menendez	Marty Williams

Sunday Evening, May 25

Singing Dion Hayes
Opening Prayer Jimmie Banks
Scripture Reading Connor Goodale
Singing
Lord's Supper John Hoelzer
Singing
Contribution
Singing
Sermon
Singing
Closing Prayer Jeff Goodale

Serve at Table:

Lance Collier	Jack Holoman
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Audio this week: Daivd Brown

Computer this week: Ivan Villard

Video this week: Scott Studer

Wednesday Evening, May 28

Singing Freddie Gadson
Invitation Dan Mcleod
Family Prayer Jeff Leslie

Our Record

Attendance	May 18	Apr. Avg
Sun. Bible Study	140	180
Sun. AM Worship	259	276
Sun. PM Worship	95	121
Wed. Bible Study	120	138
Contribution	\$14,609	\$16,987
2025 Weekly Budget: \$16,803		
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$8,225		

Service Coordinator:
Tim Cox

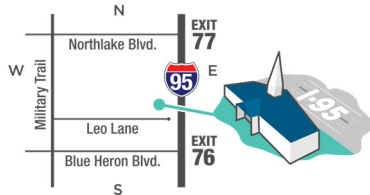
Ushers for this week: Mike Erickson & Eugene Williams
Safety Team for this week: Rick Hall



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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: **Freddie Gadson & Freddie Gadson, Jr**

When *The Trumpet of the Lord* Shall Sound

Summer Series: Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. (June thru August)