

Announcements & Prayer Requests

- Let's keep the following in our prayers:
 - John Wolfe – lung cancer diagnosis
 - Kim Self – stomach ulcers and weekly Chemo treatments
 - Angie Self – arthritis and Parkinson's
 - Joann Larkin – advanced dementia
 - Barb Agee's son (James)
 - Bernida Wolfe's father –dementia and Parkinson's
 - Rick Parks' parents – Roy has prostate cancer; Helen has dementia
 - Jimmy Woodall's sister – cancer
 - Sandra Perez's grandmother – Lewy body dementia
 - Sandra Perez's uncle – stage 4 cancer

THE GOSPEL PLAN OF SALVATION

- Hear Gospel – Rom. 10:17; Acts 8:30-31
- Believe – Heb. 11:6; Mk. 16:16
- Repent of & Turn from Sins – Acts 2:38; 17:30
- Confess our Faith – Rom. 10:10; Mt. 10:32
- Baptism – Acts 22:16; 1 Pet. 3:21
- Live Faithfully – Rev. 2:10

Let us draw near with a **true heart in full assurance of faith [Believe]**, having our **hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience [Repent]** and our **bodies washed with pure water [Baptism]**. Let us **hold fast the confession [Confess]** of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. And let us consider one another in order to **stir up love and good works**, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but **exhorting one another**, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching. – *Heb. 10:22-25*



CHURCH OF CHRIST

Invitation

'Therefore, go into the highways, and as many as you find, invite to the wedding.' – Mt. 22:9

Address

5080 Highway 70 East
Rockwood, TN 37854

Assembly Times

Sunday Bible Study – 10:00 AM
Sunday Worship – 11:00 AM

Please text/email any announcements, questions, or concerns to Bill Fix, (865) 934-9239 or fix.bill@gmail.com



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We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors and members. If you have any questions or need any assistance, please let one of us know.

Adult Bible Class – Eph. 4:8ff
Sermon Topic – Salvation By Faith

Memory verse:

Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice!
– *Phil. 4:4*

Do We Really Believe?

By Bill Crews (ROANRIDGE READER, Sept. 20, 2020)

1. That there is a God, everlasting, possessing all power and all wisdom? Rom. 1:20; Job 42:2; Rom. 11:33-36
2. That He made the universe, the earth, man, and all other material things? Acts 17:24-25; Gen. 1-2
3. That Jesus of Nazareth is His only begotten Son, divine and human, who gave Himself in sacrifice for our sins? Jn. 3:16; 1 Tim. 2:3-4
4. That the gospel revealed through the apostles and prophets is God's power to save our souls and must be accepted and obeyed? Rom. 1:16; 2 Ths. 1:8
5. That the kingdom of God, the church of our Lord, cost the blood of Jesus Christ, and that men and women must enter therein and serve God therein to be saved? Acts 20:28; Eph. 1:22-23; 2:16; 5:23-25
6. That life, at the most, is brief and will soon be gone, and that after death men must face the resurrection, the judgment and eternity? Jam. 4:14; Heb. 9:27; Jn. 5:28-29
7. That those who die in their sins, whether out of Christ or unfaithful to Christ, will dwell forever in hell? Jn. 8:21-24; 2 Ths. 1:8-9; Mt. 18:8-9; Phil. 3:18-19
8. That those who die in innocence (not accountable) and those who die in Christ or faithful to Christ, will dwell forever in heaven? Lk. 18:15-17; Rev. 14:13; Mt. 25:31-46
9. That our primary purpose for existing is to *"fear God and keep His commandments"* (Eccl. 12:13), to *"glorify God in our bodies"* (1 Cor. 6:20), and to use our time, possessions and abilities as God wants us to?

All of those Bible references are not just tacked on for appearance; each passage has something to do with the point made, and each is filled with something God wants us to know. For your Bible study today, why not look each one up in your Bible and read it.

Fixating on What's Important: *Energy and Excitement*

By Bill Fix

As the parent of an active seven-year-old, I often hear comments like "I wish I could bottle up some of that energy" when other adults see my son running and playing. At his age, he (still) loves to run around the yard, making up kid games or combing the grass for bugs to catch and examine. More so than his energy, I notice his excitement and wonder as he explores God's creation. To a child, this world is still full of countless amazing things that can be found in the backyard, and it's all worth studying.

When was the last time you stopped to inspect an insect, pondering its mere existence that might not last to the next month? What purpose did Mr. Grasshopper have as it made its evening commute through your yard? How hard did Ms. Spider work to build her silky web, patiently waiting for an unsuspecting fly or mosquito to be her guest of honor at dinner?

I believe that many of us adults tend to overlook these details. We've seen these critters before, and we don't care to again. Or we think they're ugly, gross bugs (that must die before they infest our house). Or we're just too busy dealing with life in general that we don't take the time to stop and "smell the spiders" ... But we can still learn from kids. God created this world and everything in it, and it seems that every "creeping thing" serves some type of purpose for God to see that "it was good" (Gen. 1:24-25).

How excited are you to voluntarily study something new? It doesn't have to be a creepy crawly insect—how about an epistle or spiritual subject you've neglected to learn more about? Are you still excited to study your Bible, spend time in prayer with our Father in heaven, or assemble to worship Him? "I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go into the house of the LORD.'" (Ps. 122:1).

Paul wrote his epistle to the Philippians from prison, expecting an imminent death, yet his letter is full of joy and encouragement to the Christians in Philippi. He was excited to correspond with them: "Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice! Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:4-7). Let's maintain (or rediscover) our energy and excitement for spiritual matters!