

Blueprints

A RESOURCE FOR DISCIPLESHIP

In our new phase you will find listed "Blueprints." In every case the activity is one used to build faith. For instance, when asked to read a text it is because by looking up the text we are engaging in a personal search for truth. It is not enough to skip our personal reading and hope someone else has done it and then chime in a discussion. See 2nd Timothy 3: 14-17

Blueprint #1- Bible Study is essential to our growth. Read Acts 19:1-10 From this text we can ask a serious question-What difference does baptism make in one's personal spiritual journey? Let's explore some Biblical facts about baptism;

1. John the Baptist was the first mention of baptism in New Testament. Read Matthew 3.
 - a. How does Luke describe John's baptism in Acts 19: 4
 - b. What do you think this means?
2. Jesus, himself, was baptized but for a very different reason, since he did not need to repent.
 - a. Reread Matthew 3: 13-17
 - b. What do you feel is the difference?
3. Jesus commands His disciples to baptize others. Read Matthew 28: 19-20
4. Every conversion in Book of Acts has a baptism. Read Acts 2: 36-47; 8:12,13,26-39; 10:47-48; 16:14-15,30-33; 18:8; 22:10-16.
5. Paul teaches about its significance and meaning. Read 1st Corinthians 12: 12-31, Romans 6.
6. Paul teaches that it is the experience of having a changed relationship with Jesus. Read Galatians 3:26-29
7. In our recent study of the Ancient Jewish Wedding the bride after accepting the offer of marriage was cleansed through a ceremonial bath. Could this be what we now call baptism?

Blueprint #2- Reflection is a necessary ingredient to growth as a Christian. Do some personal reflection on your understanding of baptism.

- What does the word "baptism" mean?
- How many modern forms of baptism can you name?
- Which style of baptism did you experience, or have you seen experienced?

Blueprint #3- Now reread Acts 19: 1-10 what was the problem in the church at Ephesus and what did leadership do in the situation.

- What change was there in Apollos from his baptism? See Acts 18:27-28
- What change was there in the 12 who needed Christian baptism? Acts 19: 5-6
- Can you describe any personal spiritual difference from your baptism or that of another person?

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We welcome you today to enter into the fellowship we have with one another through Jesus Christ. During the worship service opening time of praise there is an opportunity to bring your tithes and offerings forward as an expression of worship and place them in the offering plates provided. We invite everyone to complete the communication card and place it in the offering plate also. In the narthex there is an offering plate for those who prefer to place their offering and communication card there.



January 8, 2017

Entering His Courts with Praise ...Be Grateful

- Special Music "The Church In The Wildwood" Quartet
- Offering "Brethren, We Have Met To Worship" **1Chr.16:29** Hymnal 8
- "How Great Thou Art" **Ps.48:1** SB 7
- Children's Story Karen Chronister

Celebrating the Work of Christ ...Be Repentant

- Call To Worship
- Singing "If My People's Hearts Are Humbled" **2Chr.7:14**

Seeking the Healing of Our Hearts ...Be Cleansed

- Kid's Own Church
- Singing "Are You Washed In The Blood?" **Rev.7:14**

Empowering of the Word and Spirit ...Be Spirit Filled

- Scripture Acts 18: 23-28
- Message Case Study #1: The Missing Ingredient Pastor Jim

Sharing in the Body of Christ ...Be Committed

- Special Music "Wedding Music" Quartet

Praying for Ourselves and Others ...Be Prayerful

- Prayer
- Special Music "Dona Nobis Pacem" Quartet

Connecting with the Heart of God ...Be Worshipful

- Singing "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus" **1Cor.16:13**
- "Joy To The World" Hymnal 318
- Pastoral Blessing

**Small Groups
resume:**

Tuesday

Study Group
(Jeff Barnhart)
at church, 7:00 P.M.

Wednesday

Study Group
(Aaron Osswald)
various places, 6:30 P.M.

Thursday

Study Group
(Carolyn Studebaker)
various places, 6:30 P.M.

Friday

Study Group
(Chris Sievers and
Walter Alexander)
various places, 6:30 P.M.

Pastor: Jim Chronister

Ministers: Every member of the Church

Our Mission: We believe that we exist to glorify God – in worship, by nurturing, through service, joining in His fellowship, and sharing the Good News of Jesus in the world.
Matthew 22:37-39; 28:19-20

Community News

Childcare is provided in the nursery located behind the sanctuary.



Prayer Points

Prayer requests received for this week:

Family of Sylvia Rice (Bonnie's sister); Sharon Deisher; Kay McGraw; LaVerna Bang; George Watt; FISH organization needs a replacement for George Watt; Janice Fasnacht Akers; Sherri Alsop Family; Dennis Hoover; Becky Osswald; Chris Sievers' co-worker, Cathy; Adam's friend, Gail; Marilyn Medley; Karen Hoover

Continue to pray for:

Belinda Harrison; Carolyn Hartley; Carolyn Iwanusa; Deliverance for those with addictions; Elaine Baker; Families mourning loss of loved ones; Jim & Betty Locker; Larry Inman; Mike Schreck; Our Nation – for people to repent and turn from wicked ways - II Chron. 7:14; Ruth Chronister; Salvation for unsaved family & friends; Samantha Gardner (Montgomery's granddaughter); Our young people in the midst of spiritual attacks; Shannon Collins; Sheila Sievers; Susan Waymire & family; Terry Shafer; Todd Davis

Praying for Churches of the District:

Lower Miami

Birthday Prayer List:

Roger Janeway, January 8
Jack Lloyd, January 14

Attendance last Sunday, SS 37, Worship 93		
<u>Offering Last Week</u>		
	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Special</u>
Regular	3374.00	
Weekly Need	2882.00	
Year to Date	2600.00	

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

- Today!** Prayer Service, 9:00 A.M.-9:30 A.M.
Sunday School, 9:30 A.M.
Worship, 10:35 A.M.
- Mon.** Worship Team Meeting, 10:00 A.M.
- Tues.** Study Group (Jeff Barnhart)
at church, 7:00 P.M.
- Wed.** **Ad Body Meeting, 7:00 P.M.**
Study Group (Aaron Osswald)
various places, 6:30 P.M.
- Thurs.** **Joyful Noise, 7:30 P.M.**
Study Group (Carolyn Studebaker)
various places, 6:30 P.M.
- Fri.** Study Group (Chris Sievers and Walter Alexander)
various places, 6:30 P.M.
- Sat.**
- Sun.**

THIS WEEK'S SERVANTS

Worship Leader
Jack Jenkins

Childcare this week
To be announced
Childcare next week
To be announced

Greeter for January 8
Linda Durst and Carolyn Studebaker
Greeter for January 15
Al and Marilyn Montgomery

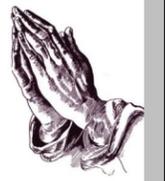
Announcements and Activities

The **2017 Church Directory** will be coming out soon! If you have any changes in phone numbers, addresses, e-mails etc., please contact Charlene Foster with the changes. Please let her know by January 31st. We want to have the directory as correct as possible.

*A big **THANK YOU** to the youth for the meal presented to me at Christmas day. It was so very thoughtful of you.*
Madeleine Babbs

Thank you to my church family for your cards, visits, phone calls, food and especially your prayers during my surgery and recovery. I appreciate your concern very much.
Virginia Jenkins

Our sympathy and prayers are with the family of Sylvia Rice. Bonnie's sister Sylvia passed away on December 31, 2016.



From February 4-18 Pastor Jim will attend a two week intensive on how to gain freedom in one's life from Henry Wright, author of the book *A More Excellent Way*. Jim first heard about this ministry as he attended workshops by Restoring Lives International. Bryn Kelly and her daughter experienced healing and transformation which so changed their lives they began their own ministry.

After reading the book and attending several RLI events I still pondered what about my type 2 diabetes? This year I have dedicated myself to better health. I am concerned about what some of these drugs can do to my body, like Invokhana. A close friend of mine had attended the "For my Life and walkout" and experienced a real healing, which has altered how he addresses issues in his life. Listen to what Be in Health says about the two weeks of training,

*Those two weeks—whether you do them together or at separate times—will give you an abundance of **freedom**. Many people receive healing of physical issues, and most are radically changed. You'll have an opportunity to **line up with God** in your spirit, soul and body. You'll learn how to come into obedience so that the blessings promised in the Bible will overtake you!*
Most people find that these two programs radically change their lives. They say, "If only I had learned these principles sooner." This is how you begin having the life you've always wanted—being fully immersed in God's love, being able to properly love yourself, and then out of the fullness of those two foundations, truly loving others.

So after months of contemplation I sense God is calling me to better health. As a result I will use my week of continual education and a week of vacation to attend the event in Georgia.

Adam Adkins and Mike Sievers will preach the Acts series sermons in my absence.