

Who Are You?

Seems like an easy question to answer. It's only 3 words.

But if you really sit and think about this question...it can be a hard one to answer.

Many of you will answer it in different ways. You may start with your occupation. You're a teacher. A banker. A doctor. A lawyer. You may answer in relation to your family. You're a husband. A father. A mother. A widow. A Papaw or a Mamaw. You may even answer that based on your hobbies or talents. You're a musician. An artist. A chef. An athlete.

The truth is none of those answers are going to truly encapsulate who we are. We use those as answers because those are the things that are important to us or things that we feel help us stand out. But who is a surgeon when his hands are crippled? An artist who has lost their vision? Who are we when we are stripped of the things in which we put such great value?

As Christians, we are not defined by our gifts, occupations, families, or friends. Nor are we, by the grace of God, defined by our past mistakes or missteps.

We find our identity in CHRIST. We are fearfully and wonderfully made in His image and are sons and daughters of God the Father Almighty. THAT is who we are. And when we profess our faith in Jesus Christ and make Him Lord of our lives, following Him and His example of accepting that identity through baptism, we can fully walk in confidence and grace the path He has laid before us. I always picture Clark Kent ripping his shirt and revealing his Superman "S" symbol when he sees the need to step up and save the day.

Friends...this world needs saving. The people around us need a hero. It's time for us to remember WHO WE ARE and WHOSE WE ARE. We don't need to keep our identity a secret. We need to step BOLDLY and BRAVELY onto the path God has laid before us. We need to remind those around us of who THEY are. Children of God as well.

This Sunday, we will have a "Remember Your Baptism" service and you will have the opportunity to reflect on the fact that you are a new creation. A child of God. You have a place and purpose in God's kingdom and it's time to live into our full identity in Christ!

So I ask again...who are you? Give it some real thought...

January Events

Wednesday, January 7th

4pm...Stewardship Mtg
 5pm.....WOW Meal
 6pm.....Bible Studies, Children's Choir, Youth
 7pm.....Choir Practice

Sunday, January 11th

9am.....Donuts & Coffee in Holy Grounds
 9:30am.....Church Wide Sunday School Mtg for Stewardship in CLC
 10:30am....Worship Service
 5pm.....Finance Mtg

Tuesday, January 13th

8:30am-10am.....Food Pantry

Important Dates in January

Jan 7th @ 4pm....Stewardship Mtg

Jan 7th @ 5pm...WOW Activities resume

Jan 11th @ 5pm...Finance Mtg

Jan 18th @ 5pm...Admin Mtg

January 30-31 - Man Church Conference



Florist Contact Info:
 Rachel Davis
 419-6868

Arrangements are \$50 to be paid before the Sunday needed.

Cash, check or digital options below!



Prayer List

"Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours." Mark 11:24

On Sunday nights we have a group of people from this church who come together to pray for our church, our ministries, our parishioners, our sick, our needy. This list goes on. And this group is so faithful. There are prayer cards available for you to fill out and put in the prayer box in the foyer. They will be prayed over at our meeting every Sunday and will be held close to our hearts.

All are welcome to come when you can.

Sunday Evenings at 5:00
 Good News Sunday School Classroom

Praying for others is an important part of our ministry as the body of Christ. Please incorporate this list as a part of your personal prayer life.

Prayer Ministry ONE-TIME meeting on Wednesday, January 14th @ 5pm in the Good News Classroom

The Sunday afternoon prayer ministry needs some new direction. Julie would like to meet with those who have a heart for prayer to share insights/ideas on the direction of this ministry as God leads.

Prayer Concerns:

James Taylor
 Billy Pearce



WORSHIP ON WEDNESDAYS

WOW MEAL @ 5PM

BIBLE STUDIES @ 6PM

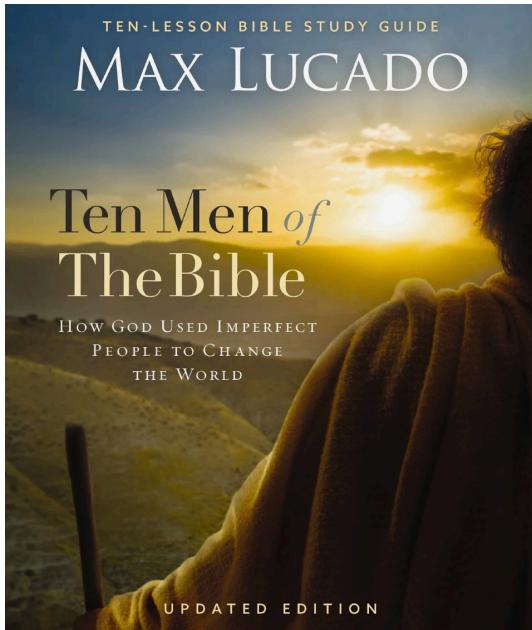
YOUTH AND CHILDREN @ 6PM

WOW Meal

No WOW Meal

LADIES BOOK CLUB

With Anna Garner



The men depicted in the Bible were not perfect by any means. We find story after story marked by scandal, failure, and intrigue. Yet we also find many stories of men who were able to look beyond their circumstances, completely trust in the Lord, and follow Him wherever He chose to take them.

Like us, these men made both good and bad decisions along the way—and experienced both good and bad consequences—and we find our struggles and hopes in the pages of the Bible that tells their stories:

1. Noah: When You're Low on Hope
2. Job: The Most Famous Conversation in the Bible
3. Jacob: Wrestling with the Past
4. Moses: The Voice from the Mop Bucket
5. David: Colossal Collapses
6. Joseph: Unanswered Questions
7. Matthew: Friend of Flops
8. Peter: The Gospel of the Second Chance
9. Lazarus: The Final Witness
10. Paul: Don't Write Off Anyone

Each lesson includes insights on each character and Bible study questions to help you delve into the stories and apply them to your life.

BIBLE STUDY



COME, THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS

AN ADVENT STUDY LED BY DALE

DOBBS. **ENDS 1/26.**

NEW BIBLE STUDY ON THE BOOKS OF MOSES **BEGINS** ON JANUARY 11TH!

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY



THE MAN CHURCH

BE A MAN...FOLLOW JESUS

“THE MAN CHURCH” IS A PROGRAM COMPRISED OF FIELD-TESTED SOLUTIONS FOR CHALLENGING AND EQUIPPING MEN TO BECOME THE PEOPLE GOD CREATED THEM TO BE. JOIN US ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT 6PM AS WE ENGAGE IN SOME HEARTY CONVERSATION DISCUSSING BEING STRONG, CHRISTIAN MEN IN TODAY’S SOCIETY.



LEARN MORE!

thebiblerecap.com/kids

New Wednesday night
Bible study starts January
7th!

*The Bible Recap for
Kids*

Based on the original bestselling book and podcast, this edition walks kids through the entire Bible with short, simple recaps, relatable "God Shots" that point out the facets of God's character, numerous illustrations, and weekly summaries to reinforce key truths!





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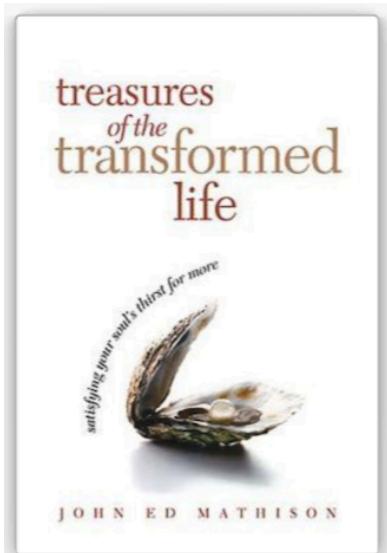
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- 4** PICKLEBALL NIGHT
4-6 PM, CLC
 - 7** WOW WEDNESDAY
5-7 PM, CLC
 - 11** CONFIRMATION CLASS
5-6 PM
 - 14** WOW WEDNESDAY
5-7 PM
 - 18** SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH
4-6 PM
 - 21** WOW WEDNESDAY
5-7 PM
 - 28** WOW WEDNESDAY
5-7 PM



children's
Choir

Wednesdays
6pm-6:30pm

WAYS TO SERVE



Dale Dobbs has begun a 5 week study on stewardship based on John Ed Mathison's Treasures of the Transformed Life. This study is taking place during the Sunday School hour starting at 9:30am and all classes will meet in the CLC from January 4th - Feb 1st. Join us as we learn more about being good stewards of the gifts God has given us.



PLEASE remember to clean up after using the kitchen or CLC! We want to keep things looking nice and pretty and want our spaces ready to use for the people using it next. Thank you for your attention and diligence to being good stewards of our facilities.

FOOD PANTRY

OFFERING COUNTERS

- 1/4/26 - Bill Austin & Trish Thistle
- 1/11/26 - Rachel Davis & David Hutson
- 1/18/26 - Martha Clay & Chris Hill
- 1/25/26 - Pat Pearce & Blake Hill

TRUSTEES

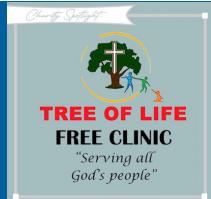
- 1/4/26 - Amelia Foote
- 1/11/26 - William Darby
- 1/18/26 - Cherie Walker
- 1/25/26 - James Taylor

- 1/6/26 - Pam Shields, Wentris Alford, Martha Webb, Errol Tootle, Bob Walker
- 1/13/26 - Ruth Dobbs, Errol Tootle, Wentris Alford, Linda Henderson
- 1/20/26 - Cherie Walker, Wentris Alford, Errol Tootle
- 1/27/26 - Errol Tootle, Wentris Alford, Pam Shields

► **REMEMBER**
YOUR BAPTISM

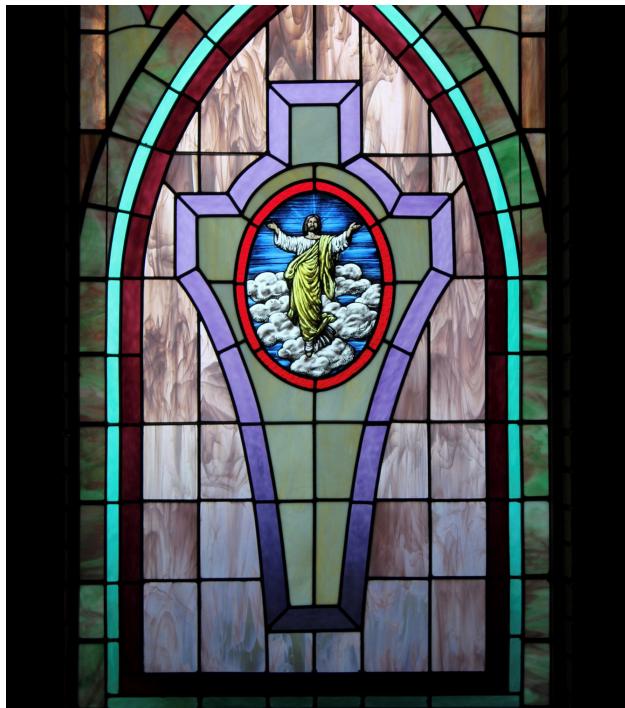
Join us for a special “Remember Your Baptism” service Sunday, January 11th @ 10:30am!

For the month of January, our Food Pantry will be collecting cans of tuna so be sure and drop off some this month in the Food Pantry bin in the foyer!



Wednesday, January 7th @ 4:30 pm

Saturday, January 18th @ 8:30 am



FOR THE RECORD

Attendance (In - Person)

Morning Worship....92 in person

Stewardship

2025 Operating Budget.....\$320,237

YTD Budget Receipts.....\$8891.75

Needed Weekly.....\$6158.40

Weekly Budget Receipts.....\$8891.75



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Rev. Trae Wyatt - Associate Pastor

Linda Austin - Director of Music Ministries

Debbie Clark - Financial Secretary

Martha Webb - Pianist

Sandi & Doug Haire - Custodians

Ameera Young & Ashley Wilson-Nursery

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To Believe. To Belong. To Become
Christ-Like Through Discipleship.