



February 4 -Hebrews 10:14-16

February 11-Romans 8:31-32

February 18 -Luke 7:41-43

February 25 -John 4:29-30



February 2024

Serving God. Seeking truth. Sharing love.

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Welcome, visitors! We are grateful you are here to worship with us! Please, stay a few minutes after service and give us an opportunity to be better acquainted.

Elders

John Pierce, Dennis Latham, LB White

Minister

Brock Johnson

Services

Sunday Bible study: 10 am

Sunday morning worship: 11am

Sunday evening worship: 6pm

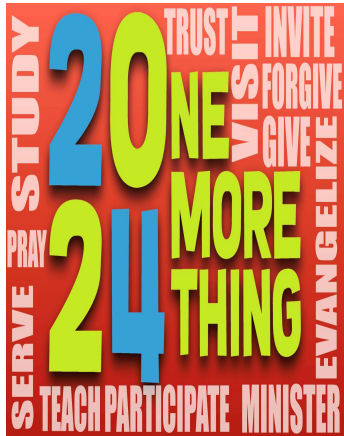
Wednesday evening Bible study: 7:00 pm

\*Note: There is no evening worship on 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, we have a fellowship meal and singing after morning worship!

*it's*  
**JUST**  
*a joke*

**Why was the math book sad?**  
Because it had too many problems!

**What time of day was Adam created?**  
A little before Eve.



\*Check out the 2024 calendar on the “Things To Do” bulletin board. It has dates set for events in this calendar year. Keep an eye on it. It will likely have changes as the year goes on.

\*Notice the white word on the 2024 “One More Thing” board? That is the word of the month. Challenge yourself to add that “one more thing” to your Kingdom service.

\*There are personal assessment forms in the foyer, beneath the “One More Thing” board. Grab one. Fill it out. Challenge yourself.

Make 2024 a Year of Personal Growth in Service to God’s Kingdom!

Our One More Thing word of the month for February is “Forgive.” This month will focus, primarily, on the power of forgiveness. Our first lesson for the month looks at three facets of forgiveness as we consider “Forgiveness Offered, Forgiveness Sought, and Forgiveness Bought.” Second Sundays in 2024 are encouragement Sundays. In February we will look at Romans and be encouraged in knowing that if God is for us nothing can stand against us! Third Sundays in 2024 focus on questions Jesus asked, and we will consider the question “Now which of them will love him more,” in Luke 7. Fourth Sundays, besides being “Church-eat-Church” Sundays are object lesson Sundays, so we will apply an object lesson to John 4 for our February fourth Sunday. Invite friends and family. I will allow God to work through me to empower us with His word, and I pray you will write it on your heart and put it to action!  
-Brock



February Birthdays

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|---------------|------|
| Larry Tessman | 2nd  |
| Julie Smith   | 8th  |
| Garry Young   | 9th  |
| Shawn Cogburn | 18th |
| Joyce White   | 24th |
| Macie Winn    | 25th |
| Randal Clapp  | 26th |
| Kristi Clapp  | 26th |

Anniversaries

Grayson & Annie Claire Boler  
8th



Make sure to look at the yearly calendar that is posted on the “Things to Do” bulletin board.

February 8- Sent with Love Fellowship. We will sign and envelope Valentine Cards for the nursing home. We will eat together and love each other.

February 25- Fourth Sunday “Church-eat-Church” fellowship meal. Invite friends and family.

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## A Powerful Story of Forgiveness

It was in a church in Munich where I was speaking in 1947 that I saw him - a balding heavyset man in a gray overcoat, a brown felt hat clutched between his hands. One moment I saw the overcoat and the brown hat, the next, a blue uniform and a visored cap with its skull and crossbones. Memories of the concentration camp came back with a rush: the huge room with its harsh overhead lights, the pathetic pile of dresses and shoes in the center of the floor, the shame of walking naked past this man. I could see my sister's frail form ahead of me, ribs sharp beneath the parchment of skin. Betsie and I had been arrested for concealing Jews in our home during the Nazi occupation of Holland. This man had been a guard at Ravensbruck concentration camp where we were sent. Now he was in front of me, hand thrust out, saying, "A fine message, fraulein! How good it is to know that, as you say, all our sins are at the bottom of the sea!" It was the first time since my release that I had been face to face with one of my captors and my blood seemed to freeze.

"You mentioned Ravensbruck in your talk," he was saying. "I was a guard there. But since that time," he went on, "I have become a Christian. I know that God has forgiven me for the cruel things I did there, but I would like to hear it from your lips as well. Fraulein - "again the hand came out - "will you forgive me?" And I stood there - and could not. Betsie had died in that place - could he erase her slow terrible death simply for the asking?

But forgiveness is an act of the will, and the will can function regardless of the temperature of the heart. It could not have been many seconds that he stood there, hand held out, but to me it seemed hours as I wrestled with the most difficult thing I had ever had to do. For I had to do it - I knew that. The message that God forgives has a prior condition: that we forgive those who have injured us. "If you do not forgive men their trespasses," Jesus says, "neither will your Father in Heaven forgive your trespasses."

Still I stood there with the coldness clutching my heart. But forgiveness is an act of the will, and the will can function regardless of the temperature of the heart. "Jesus, help me!" I prayed silently. "I can lift my hand. I can do that much. You supply the feeling." And so woodenly, mechanically, I thrust my hand into the one stretched out to me. And as I did, an incredible thing took place. The current started in my shoulder, raced down my arm, sprang into our joined hands. And then this healing warmth seemed to flood my whole being, bringing tears to my eyes. "I forgive you, brother!" I cried. "With all my heart!"

For a long moment we grasped each other's hands, the former guard and former prisoner. I had never known God's love so intensely as I did then.

Source: "The Hiding Place" by Corrie ten Boom



"Flood Garry with Valentines Love"  
All you have to do for this "SPECIAL PROJECT" is sign one of the Valentine cards that are in the foyer, put it in an envelope, and put it in the bowl next to the cards. We will deliver them to Garry for Valentine's Day!

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## MEMBERS

### Recent

Tina Cogburn  
Bobby Ellenburg Family  
Keith & Michelle Jones  
Paulette Leach  
Allen & Tabatha Roberts Family  
Larry Coker  
Joshua Campbell

### Chronic/long term

Sue Hester & Family  
Gary & Rita Young  
Larry & Faye Tessman  
Reefer Hughes  
Blaine Stith  
Maxine Humphries  
Zila Lindsey (Humphries)

## FAMILY and FRIENDS

Lee Hughes  
Gary Johnson (Aaron's friend)  
Nicole (Priscilla's co-worker)  
Claire Hurt  
Charity Latham  
Diane Burdess (Tina Cogburn)  
Jesse Priest  
Sue Cranford  
Sena Blair  
Randy Ash  
Philip Hobbs  
Nina Martin (Cindy Earwood)  
Pam Drummond (Debbie Latham)  
Bobby &Carolynn Glass  
David Whisenant

Larry & Joan Latham  
Mary Whisenant Kelsoe  
David Latham  
Amy Mitchell  
Regina Vest  
Faith Cain  
Tina Miller  
Athena Blair (Cindy Earwood)  
Aaron Jenkins  
Chris Dorsey  
Pat Smith  
Deacon Samples  
Melanie Caldwell  
Tim Carter



**In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace.**

**- Ephesians 1:7**



**Our February Member of the Month is James Gullede. James is a Christian man, a family man, and a racing man (he was the IHRA top sportsman in 1989). To support all these habits he works some, also. James loves to travel. Sometimes, he travels really fast, being that he has raced cars for about 53 years. James and his wife, Sandra, have bought a motor home so they can travel on a regular basis, after (or IF) James decides to retire. James is a builder and craftsman, using skills God has blessed him with. He builds tow trucks, with Danny Wright, for a living and builds race cars so he has something to drive on weekends. He is our brother. We love him. Hopefully this helps you know James Gullede a little better.**