



The Unchanging Word of God

I was heartbroken by this cover of my most recent *World Magazine*. Giving Up: Bethany Christian Services quietly surrenders as others go to court for religious liberty in foster care. The article goes on to reveal: "When state officials demanded U.S. foster agencies place children with same-sex couples, Catholic agencies refused. The largest evangelical agency did not."

In 1984 the late John F. Walvoord penned an astute historical perspective on how such a thing could happen.

Biblical liberalism, which made serious inroads into the American church in the early part of the twentieth century, has now run an extended course. As a result, many educational institutions and other Christian organizations have strayed far from their original orthodoxy. --Forward of *How We Got Our Bible*

Could that scholarly old gentleman have anticipated just how far things would slide when he wrote the next sentence?

In contrast, the evangelical church has upheld the truth of the Bible as the supernatural inspired word of God – worthy of our complete trust as a revelation of God which was penned without errors by its authors.

Never give up! Keep reading your Bible, treat Scripture as a highly respected friend, accept its clear straightforward messages, and consistently obey whatever God reveals through His trustworthy and reliable Word.

We Press On Together! Les

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, Nov. 6

5:15 p.m. – Movin' Up

Thursday, Nov. 7

6:30 p.m. – Christian Ed Board

Sunday, Nov. 3

9:00 a.m. – Bible Study

10:05 a.m. – Kids' Time

10:15 a.m. – Worship Service

11:15 a.m. – Business Meeting

Teacher Schedule

Nov. 10, 2019

Nursery

Davis Family

Kids' Time

Holly Zoll/ Angie Bynum

LOL

Traci Heller

Stewardship Report

Nov. 3, 2019

Giving Toward:

Current Expenses	5,333.00
Missions	235.00
Building/Maint Fund	115.00
World Mission Offering	8.25
White Cross	75.00
Total	\$5, 766.25



You have the opportunity to purchase a poinsettia in honor or in memory of someone. The flowers will be used to decorate the sanctuary and you may take them home after the Christmas Eve Service. They cost \$6.00 and the order deadline is November 24. There will be order forms in the bulletin this Sunday. You may turn in your completed form, along with payment, to the church office or place it in the offering plate. Make checks payable to First Baptist.



We will have our All-Church Thanksgiving Dinner right after the worship service on Sunday, November 17. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the foyer. Let us know how many in your clan are coming and what you will bring. There are three different sign-ups sheets, each for different items.



This Sunday

This Sunday we will have our Annual Business Meeting in The Gathering Place. We encourage everyone to join us right after the worship service. It usually lasts about 30 minutes. We will hear reports from the boards, vote on Officers and Board Members, and discuss and vote on our proposed 2020 budget.

Becomers Class



Here is the upcoming study schedule:

Nov. 10 – Luke 9:1-17

Nov. 17 – Luke 9:18-36

Nov. 24 – Luke 9:37-50

Dec. 1 – Luke 9:51-62



Bowling Party – next week

Movin' Up will meet on Wed., November 13 at the Bluffton Bowling Alley for our Bowling Party. No money is needed; food and bowling is provided. Please bring your students to the Bowling Alley at 5:15 p.m. and pick them up at 6:30 p.m.



Movin' Up

Our Wednesday night kids did a great job with their World Missionary Boxes this year. We also pray weekly for our missionary kids to Hungary - Rachel, Sarah, Elizabeth, and Andrew Good.

Here our students are taking on a challenge where they have to stretch the rubber band to stack cups. Their teamwork pays off with success!



Logan, Lydia, Shawn, Emilee, & Faith



Hunter, Trevor, Noah, & Drake



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Homebound Members

Christian Care

Mildred Huss – Room 219B
Barb Smekens – Room 217B
Clyde Shady – Room 228B
Phyllis Shady – Room 254

River Terrace

Eulis West – Room 114

Home

Ed Goetz
Rose McCormick

K Casper Life Center

Judy Bierie – Room 268

Markle Health and Rehabilitation

Larry Gilly – Room 210

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