

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM OUR ELDERS

In order to comfortably accommodate our worship attendance and still meet CDC distancing guidelines, we will be having two Sunday morning services in the main auditorium. The first service is at 8 AM and the second at 10 AM. If you would prefer, we are still doing the online stream of the service @ 10 AM. Our Wednesday service will be at 6:30, with Bible classes for the kids. Grades 3 & up please wear mask.

Due to the present health crisis, if you plan to attend, we ask you to read the Arkansas State Health Dept. guidelines @ <https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/covid-19-guidance-for-faith-based-organizations> and do your best to comply with these guidelines.

In the Auditorium, there will be only two doorways for entry and exit. These will be the main doorway facing Walnut Street and the breezeway door that accesses the lower parking lot. The doorway at the front of the auditorium will be for emergency exiting only. No childcare will be provided at this time, and we ask that you do not enter the educational wing of the building. Please strive to maintain 6 feet distancing between family groups as you enter and exit the building. Due to the physical distancing guidelines, you may be asked to sit away from your usual area of the auditorium so that there is room for everyone. There will be elders and deacons to assist you with entry, seating and exiting worship.

Individual communion packets can be picked up in the foyer as you enter the building. Offering plates will be available for giving in the foyer as you exit. If you have existing health problems or are over 65 years of age, then group worship may put your health at risk. If you have questions about this, please consult with your healthcare provider to see if attendance is safe for you at this time.

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Sam Alexander	David Bell	David Kernodle
Ken Collins	Shannon Brownfield	Chris Middleton
Harold Johnson	Brian Calvert	David Presley
Larry Keener	William Clark	Travis Prewitt
Scott Miller	Sawyer Deakins	T.J. Pulliam
Richie Poe	Clint Howard	Cub Scott
		Rick Quattlebaum

OFFICE
HOURS:
MON-FRI
8AM-3PM

SERVICE & WORSHIP HELPERS FOR JANUARY 3

8:00 am PRESIDE: Shannon Brownfield * SONGLEADER: Sawyer D.

USHERS: Pete Papa & David Presley

POWERPOINT: Nathanael Smith

10:00 am PRESIDE: Jason Hart * SONGLEADER: David Bell

USHERS- David Kernodle & Cub Scott

POWERPOINT: Michael Tomlinson

WEDNESDAY 1/6 -DEVOTIONAL -Cub Scott

SONGLEADER: Sawyer Deakins

Contribution 12/27-\$4,622 Attendance: WEDNESDAY 12/30- 47 (?)

SUNDAY 12/27 8 a.m. 35; 10 a.m. 96 Total= 131

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Bible Reading Resolution, Part 4

Over the past several weeks we have been reviewing various English Bible translations. Thus far, we have considered two of the three broad translation philosophy headings: word-for-word and thought-for-thought. Today we will conclude our translation study by examining the last broad heading: paraphrase. Paraphrases are less like true translations and more like summaries. A *paraphrase* is a *retelling* of Scripture using an individual person's words, in an attempt to make the meaning clearer. Although paraphrases are generally not adequate for deeper-level Bible analysis, they can be beneficial for a birds-eye summary of a particular text.

The Living Bible

This version of the Bible is different from the others we have been discussing as it is not a translation but a personal paraphrase, by Kenneth L Taylor, first published in 1971. He used the ASV of 1901 (see the Bulletin of two weeks ago) as his base text. It seems that in Kenneth Taylor's family devotionals, his children often did not immediately see the meaning of the passages read to them (from the KJV), and Taylor spent a lot of the devotional time simply re-saying the passage in his own words. One day he decided to sit down and prepare the passage for devotionals beforehand, and it is the collection of these that eventually became TLB. Taylor's work met with a lot of acclaim from those involved in education; and the evangelist Billy Graham was particularly fond of it. However, it has been criticized as being a dumbing down of the original texts and includes (some say out-of-place) modern Americanisms which may look odd 25 years along the line.

The New Living Translation started out life as an effort to revise Kenneth Taylor's 1971 *Living Bible*; but it evolved into a new translation from Hebrew and Greek texts. Based on unit sales, perhaps surprisingly, the NLT is the second most popular version of the Bible in the English language. Its dynamic equivalence translation philosophy (thought-for-thought) is based on the idea that a literal translation can be difficult for a modern English reader, or even misleading. This means that the NLT may not be a good way to study the Bible in its original wording. It must also be borne in mind that it has been translated to sound good when read aloud, based on the assumption that more people will *hear* the Bible read to them than will read it quietly to

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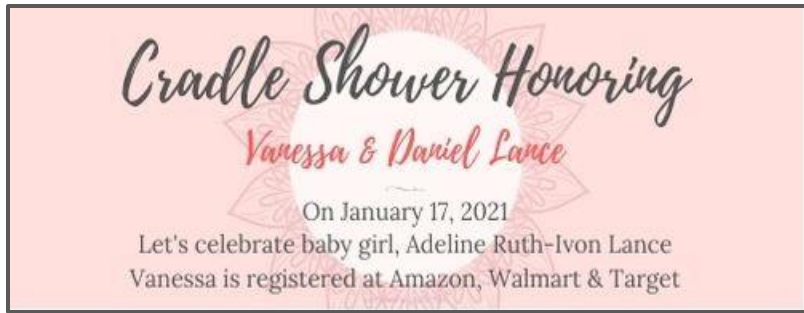
Family News



STAY CONNECTED

- Group A- Alexander-Cox Group D- Kernodle-Padilla
- Group B- Crow-Grinder Group E- Papa- N. Smith
- Group C- Haller-Keown Group F- V. Smith-Youngblood

A great way to start the New Year, reaching out to our members



Funeral Dinner Coordinators

January

Brenda Lenderman, Emily Rhoads & Elaine Murphy

Winter Weather Reminder

Our building will be open at our regular meeting times for those who wish to worship and study together regardless of the weather conditions. We encourage members to use their own best judgement as to whether the local roads, as well as our sidewalks and parking lot, will allow safe attendance.
The Elders

Prayer Request

CURRENT

Jane Brown- is recovering from shoulder surgery.
Oliver Crawford, 3-yr old with cancer
Glenn family and babies. Still waiting
Makaylay Howard-Had success with her cast. She will do PT to get strength to her back and walk properly.
Earl & Reba Huett- Friends of Lila Nettell, Earl has stage 4 colon cancer.
Cindy Johnson- her last shot for CRPS was Dec. 22nd. She is making progress but pray for complete healing.
Richard Jarrett- seeing a PT for shoulder, he may need surgery.
Spencer & Ashley Johnson are expecting a baby due January. Please pray for the baby to go full term.
Martha Moats- Martha is Angie Thomas' step-mother, recovering from surgery.
Zella Montgomery- Had to have her leg amputated.
Karen Scott- is in the hospital with Covid
Gerald Sims- ongoing health issues.
Milton Wilson- brother of Melvin Wilson & Lila Nettle, in ICU with Covid. It is not looking good. Please pray.

AT HOME

Mary Brown	Frank Mangrum
Ann Cash	Rochelle Powers
Faye Kisner	Gene & Ruth Pratt
Shirley Jordan	Mary Gibson

ONGOING

Atkins family
 Jim Bennett - cancer
 Bob Brown-cancer
 Ricky Castellano - cancer
 William Clark & Whitney Pulliam
 Priscilla Collier - M.S.
 Mitch Dodson- cancer
 Marie Dumdey
 Major Matt Eddings
 Tom & Betty Grayson
 Dawn Greer
 Ronald & Mary Ann Greer
 Linda Horton- cancer
 Jim Lenderman-cancer
 Frank Mangrum
 Wes Martin
 Brenda Patton
 Dale Thorne
 Julie Willhite - cancer
 Jeannie Wray

RETIREMENT CENTER/ NURSING HOME/ASST. LIVING

Charlotte Gregory
 Retha Keener
 Ruth Linch
 Faye McLaughlin
 Zella Montgomery (Hillcrest)
 Mildred Oser
 Toppy Parker
 Phil Powers
 Nelda Young Smith

MY FAVORITE VERSE

In March of 2020, you were asked to share your favorite single verse. We had 135 submissions with only a few duplicates. Beginning Thursday, January 7, we will be providing supplemental studies on some of your favorite verses. These can be used for personal study or at-home devotionals. More information can be found on the Northside Facebook page.

Announcements

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themselves. The NLT was published in July 1996. (I have included the NLT in this paraphrase section, but it is really right on the borderline between thought-for-thought and paraphrase.)

The **Message** is right on the end of the spectrum of Bible versions we have been considering. It is a highly idiomatic translation into modern American English by Eugene H Peterson, a pastor of 35 years' experience, who says he is "always looking for an English way to make the biblical text relevant to the conditions of the people". It is considered to be a 'simplistic' paraphrase of the original texts. My personal opinion is that it can be a stimulating and excellent way of sharpening our broad understanding of the Bible, and I like to use it to check overall comprehension. Judge for yourselves: here is the Lord's Prayer: *Our Father in heaven, reveal who you are. Set the world right; Do what's best—as above, so below. Keep us alive with three square meals. Keep us forgiven with you and forgiving others. Keep us safe from ourselves and the Devil. You're in charge! You can do anything you want! You're ablaze in beauty!* Yes. Yes. Yes.

The goal of these bulletin articles has been two-fold. First, to identify the various types of English translations: word-for-word, thought-for-thought, and paraphrase. Choosing one from each category may add a fresh perspective to your Bible study. Try it. Second, to encourage us all to read our Bibles more often in 2021. Daily Bible reading is a noble New Year's Resolution -- reaping eternal benefits.

Stephen Powers

Contribution Direct Deposit

Many of our members have setup their contribution to be debited from their checking account on a weekly or monthly basis. This has been very helpful during 2020 due to all the restrictions our members have faced.

If you are interested or have questions regarding this contribution option, please contact Chris Middleton @870-715-5484 or chris.middleton@anstaffbank.com. Also, for those already using this option, if you need to make any changes contact Chris.

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