

SUNDAY SERVICE
9 A.M. / FB LIVE 9:05 A.M.
BIBLE CLASS 10 A.M.
SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY 6 P.M.
WEDNESDAY EVENING CLASS 6:30 P.M.

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Elders:
Sam Alexander Harold Johnson Scott Miller
Ken Collins Larry Keener

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OFFICE HOURS:
MON-FRI
8AM-3PM

SERVICE & WORSHIP HELPERS FOR JANUARY 16
Sunday Service 9 a.m. / Bible class 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.
SERMON: Steve Powers
PRESIDE & PRAY 9 am: Jim Johnson
SCRIPTURER: Scott Tennyson
CLOSING PRAYER: Raymond Stills
SERVERS: *individual communion*

SONGLEADER: 9 a.m. David Bell **6 p.m.** Sawyer Deakins
SUNDAY & WED. USHERS: David Presley & Dave Tomlinson
TECH: David Keown * **NURSERY-** Middleton & Deakins
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19
DEVOTIONAL: Shannon Brownfield
ANNOUNCEMENTS: Raymond Stills
PRAYER: Jason Hart
SONGLEADER Sawyer Deakins **TECH:** David Keown
Attendance: WED. JAN. 5 -135 - SUNDAY 01/09- 9 a.m. 210 BC-168
6 p.m.: -113 **Contribution** 01/02 \$9,599.00- 01/09-\$8,299.26
Communion & Building: David Bell
JANUARY WORSHIP LEADER: Brian Calvert

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Family NEWS

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CASTING PEARLS BEFORE SWINE

‘Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.’ Matthew 7:6 KJV

Many scholars consider the saying “neither cast ye your pearls before swine” as a footnote to Jesus’ teaching on hyper-critical judgment from Matthew 7: “*Judge not lest ye be judged*”. Do not hyper-critically judge, and, do not judge with hypocrisy (attempting to remove the speck from a brother’s eye when a plank of wood is blocking my own vision) is Jesus’ core message.

Attached to this core message are two phrases – a ‘parallelism’ (see next paragraph) – designed to help the disciple understand that, whereas hyper-criticism is condemned, discernment is necessary. “Those who present the gospel must be able to judge the difference between people who genuinely want to know about God and people who only want to mock and abuse” – David Guzik.

The scholar, William Barclay, in his commentary on the Gospel of Matthew, explains brilliantly that the word usually translated “sacred” has another equally good translation – “earring” – that makes the two sayings a parallelism. Because of the particularity of the Ancient Hebrew language, which did not normally mark vowels in a text, the word for “sacred” and the Aramaic word for “earring” are identical in their written forms (K-D-S-H : kadosh (holy), kadasha (earring)). “Do not give dogs earrings and do not give pearls to pigs” makes the whole saying not only symmetrical (Jewish style loved parallelisms), but gives it a clearer meaning : there are some things that some people are incapable of appreciating. They cannot or are unwilling to grasp it or understand it. Similarly, dogs cannot grasp the value of earrings, nor pigs, pearls. Still more, some are unwilling to grasp or accept the truths of the kingdom of heaven.

What does this mean for our outreach efforts? Well, the truth is that some people are just not willing to receive the message of Christ – their hearts may be hard, or shallow, or crowded. Rather than becoming discouraged, disciples should consider moving on to more receptive hearts – presenting the earrings and pearls of Christian knowledge to those who are ready.

Jesus is not encouraging disciples to give up on people, but rather to make it clear that not everyone will be able to or willing to accept his teachings of righteousness. Jesus is not encouraging us to give up on people, just advising us to not get bogged down with those who reject the gospel and move on to those who are willing and ready to hear it.

STEPHEN

Family News

New Addresses

Barbara Burlsworth

Hillcrest Home
Barbara Burlsworth Rm. 304
1111 Maplewood Rd.
Harrison, AR 72601

Charlotte Parker

Countryside Assisted Living
Charlotte Parker Rm. 102
51 Countryside Circle
Harrison, AR 72601

**Both ladies are doing well and getting settled.
Visits would be very welcome.**

Rejoice!



Please rejoice with us as we have a new brother in Christ. Brother, Jaime Donaldo Perez Diaz, age 14 was baptized into Christ, to have his sins washed away by the blood of Jesus, the 29th of December 2021. Please pray that he will continue to learn and grow in the faith. To God be the Glory forever.

Honduras Missions

Contribution Direct Deposit

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

— NORTH SIDE —

* 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.

Prayer Request

CURRENT

Summer Ballard- Is getting preventive treatment for her Migraines.

Brenda Barks- Raimey Linn's aunt, has been diagnosed with Covid and has been sent to the hospital with difficulty breathing.

Robin Haller- Multiple Myeloma.

Teresa Haynes- recovering from knee surgery

Eula McKinney- hospice care

Lila Nettell- did not have blockage but scans showed, a small volume on her mastoid. Lila asks for continued prayers for her and Summer.

T.J. Pulliam- will get another throat injection and see about a pallet lift. Pray this is the help he needs to help him communicate.

Charlene Thorne- is recovering from Cataract surgery.

Jeannie Wray- Please keep Jeannie in your prayers. She will start radiation again soon.

ONGOING

Jim Bennett – cancer
Mitch Dodson- cancer
Dawn Greer
Richard Jarrett
Cindy Johnson
Frank Mangrum
Johnny Matlock
T.J. Pulliam & Whitney
Brenda Patton
Gerald Sims
Julie Willhite – cancer
Jeannie Wray

RETIREMENT

CENTER/

NURSING

HOME/ASST. LIVING

Barbara Burlsworth.
Sybil Gaskil
Charlotte Gregory
Mike Eckhart
Retha Keener
Ruth Linch
Faye McLaughlin
Tippy Parker
Nelda Young Smith
Dale Thorne
Eloise Williams

Updates

Please call or email the church office
@ 741-3092

office@northside.email

if you have any prayer request or if you have an address, email or phone number change.

AT HOME

Bob & Jane Brown
Mary Brown
Ann Cash

Herb & Barb
Gipson
Faye Kisner

Shirley Jordan
Frank Mangrum
Johnny Matlock

Funeral Dinner Coordinators

JANUARY

Brenda Lenderman, Emily Rhoads & Elaine Murphy

Announcements

EVENTS FOR YOUTH 7th-12th

BarnaBUS will kick off on Monday, January 17.

Service projects and visits followed by bowling and supper. Eat lunch before the meeting at the Activity Building at noon. We will finish around 7 p.m.

TEEN DINNER

The Teens will meet in the Activity Building Wednesday, January 19 @ 5:30. There will be a meal served to them before services.

Y.O.U.

Y.O.U. in Conway is Friday & Saturday, January 21-22. Meet at the building Friday @5 p.m. Bring money for 3 meals. See Jason for details on packing. We will return Saturday night around 11 p.m.

Deacons will meet this Sunday @ 5 p.m.

Food Run

CHILDREN'S
HOMES, INC.

Last Week

CHILDRENS HOME

ITEMS- NEEDED

**DUE BY SUNDAY,
JANUARY 16**

**Don't forget your
change banks**

Laundry Detergent
(HE)
Fabric Softener
(dryer sheets or
liquid)
Dishwashing
detergent
Paper towels
Poptarts



Elder Announcement



COVID infection levels have risen in our area and the Elders feel it is necessary to adjust in order to maintain a reasonably safe environment for fellowship, study, and worship. On Sundays, we will return to individually packaged communion until the present level of infection in our community has improved. Although vaccination, mask wearing, and distancing from others has benefit in decreasing the risk of illness, not everyone is able or will choose to adopt these measures. We urge you to consult your medical provider to see if these measures and/or returning to online worship would be best in your family's specific situation. The Elders will be monitoring the local infection levels on a week to week basis. Again, please be active in prayer that our church family remains healthy, committed, and unified in purpose during this time.

The Northside Elders