

DUTY LIST...

SUNDAY MORNING

- Announcements.....Michael Pickford
- Scripture Reading...Jeff Isbell
Reading: Matthew 18:10-14
- Song Leader.....Kenny Todd
- Opening Prayer.....Kenny Johnson
- Lord's Table:
Lead.....Eli Todd
Serve.....Kenny Todd
- Closing Prayer.....Michael Pickford

SUNDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.... Eli Todd
- Opening Prayer...Kenny Johnson
- Invitation: N/A
- Lord's Table: Eli Todd
- Closing Prayer: Kenny Todd

WEDNESDAY EVENING

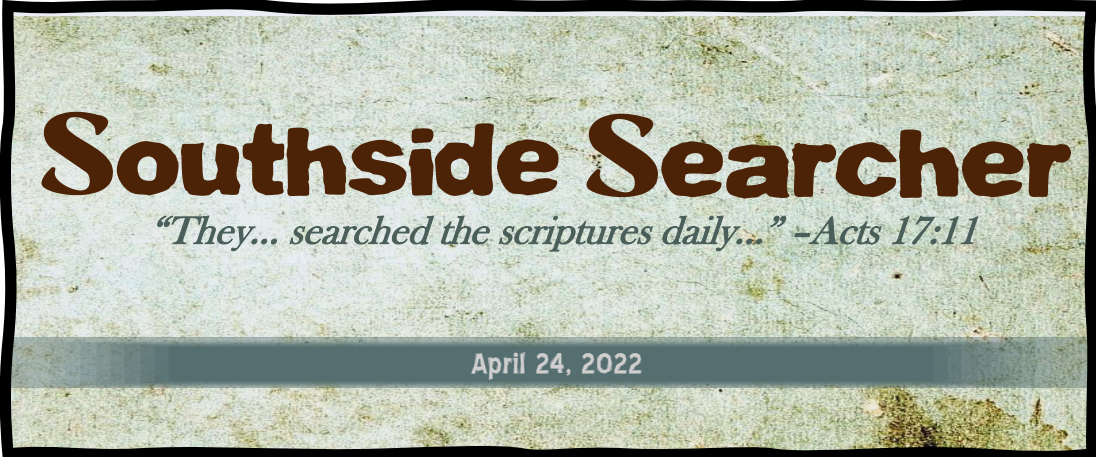
- Song Leader...Kenny Johnson
- Invitation: Eli Todd

God's Plan of Salvation

There is only one true saving plan of Salvation outlined in Scripture. No substitutes will do. Have you really been saved? Get out your Bible and study the plan below.

- Hear the Gospel: Romans 10:17
- Believe: Mark 16:16; John 8:24
- Repent of Sin: Acts 2:38; Acts 17:30
- Confess Faith: Romans 10:9, 10
- Be Baptized: Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16; 1 Peter 3:21
- Remain Faithful: Rev. 2:10

Obey Today!



Daily Exhortation

“Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God; but exhort one another daily, while it is called “Today,” lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.”
 Hebrews 3:12-13

So challenging is a life of faithfulness amidst a population of hearts set on enjoying impurities, and so deceptive is the wicked one with his endless array of fiery darts and clever justifications, that daily exhortation from those who share our hopeful plight is an absolute necessity.

And never have we lived in such a time that offering a kind word of encouragement has been so simple to accomplish—and yet we fall short.

A quick note/card in the mail, for no special occasion other than to express our appreciation for the recipient. A simple text expressing thoughtfulness and gratitude. Even an encouraging email introduces a smile into a day that might be filled with doubts and depression. The possibilities of phone calls are still available, and how easy it is to travel in our modern society to pay a quick visit to a soul in need.

And lest we forget, making it our intention to be present at every assembly and Bible study will do wonders to uplift not only ourselves but also the souls of our brethren (Hebrews 10:24-25).

-Michael Pickford
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We would love to have you visit with us. Our meeting times are:

SUNDAYS: 9 & 10 AM & 6 PM / WEDNESDAYS: 7 PM

We have capable Bible teachers who would be delighted to study with you at your request and convenience.

Our evangelist, Michael Pickford is the editor of this publication.

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The Truly Blessed

“Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.”

- Psalm 1:1-2

The truly blessed (or happy) individual is not the one with the most toys.

It's not the person with the fastest car.

It's not the celebrity with the most money.

It's not the athlete with the most championships.

It's not the movie star with the most fame.

It's not the politician with the most power.

In truth, the happiest, most blessed people are those who delight in God's word; those who regularly feed upon and renew their mind according to the Father's will.

Are you truly blessed?

-David McPherson

Pray Every Day!

Joy

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.”

-Galatians 5:22-23

“for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.”

-Romans 14:17

“looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”

-Hebrews 12:2

“To give a good answer is a joy to a man, and how pleasing is a word given at the right time!”

-Proverbs 15:23

“Therefore you now have sorrow; but I will see you again and your heart will rejoice, and your joy no one will take from you.”

-John 16:22

“And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, And come to Zion with singing, With everlasting joy on their heads. They shall obtain joy and gladness, And sorrow and sighing shall flee away.”

-Isaiah 35:10

“For we have great joy and consolation in your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed by you, brother.”

-Philemon 1:7

“I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance.”

-Luke 15:7

“Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

-Romans 15:13

“My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience.”

-James 1:2-3

“whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of your souls.”

-1 Peter 1:8-9

“The hope of the righteous brings joy, but the expectation of the wicked will perish.”

-Proverbs 10:28