



*We love sharing the truth of God's Word!*

**January 10, 2021**

## THE PICTURE IN YOUR HEAD

**Proverbs 29:18** *Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he. (KJV)*

The calendar says it's a new year, 2021. But in so many ways, not much has changed. We are still limited on the places we can go and what we can do. Masks are still required most places. It will still be a while before things change drastically. However, with several types of vaccines and an increase in positive tests, we are moving closer to herd immunity and, perhaps, some sense of normalcy.

Since March, most of us have wanted nothing more than to get back to "normal." March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 was the last time the Summit congregation all worshipped together in one building. Since then, I have longed to be back together in one place, to resume Bible classes, to have fellowship meals, picnics and retreats.

What is it that you have missed? What do you look forward to when the pandemic begins to subside? As Peggy Noonan wrote in the Wall Street Journal last week, what is "the picture you kept in your head that helped you keep going, that captured what you missed and will have again?" What are you longing to be able to do? Maybe it is singing in worship without masks. Maybe it is warmly welcoming visitors back into our assemblies. Do you long to spend more time serving the Church and the community? Do you want to spend more time in evangelizing the community? Or do you long to spend time in fellowship with your brothers and sisters?

Stay focused on what it is you have been missing and longing to be able to do.

Share your thoughts with your brothers and sisters. Share your thoughts with the Elders. As a popular song says, "there will be light after dark, someday when we aren't 6 feet apart." I cannot wait to be together again.



*Daryl, for the elders*

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2021 VISION  
"SEEK THE LORD"



*Christ Came, Died, was Buried,  
Resurrected, & will Return*  
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## From Neville's Desk...

### CHRIST IS MY KING

I recently saw an image of the Queen of England next to 13 of the past 15 United States Presidents. And I thought if you think that is great let me introduce you to the story of my King, Jesus Christ.

From Genesis to Revelation His desire is that God's image should be universal. He does this by creating man and woman in God's "image" after the Lord's "likeness" (Gen.1:26) and then by commanding mankind to "be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth" (Gen.1:28).

And, in Genesis 6:1, indeed, "man began to multiply on the face of the land". But, like the moral deformity that comes from Hollywood to every part of the earth "The LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually" (Gen.6:5).

So, our Lord hits the reset switch on creation via a flood. And once again He says, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth (Gen.9:1).

Friend, for Christ's "chosen ones" (Col.3:12) the Elections ended in AD 30. Since that day Jesus Christ has been our King. So, it is His image that we seek to spread.



## SEEKING GOD'S KINGDOM AND RIGHTEOUSNESS

Robert Murphy

The shepherds have chosen the theme of "Seek the Lord" for 2021. This theme is excellent because it stresses that being a Christian is not a passive enterprise; it requires actively seeking God and his will, which is difficult and, occasionally, discouraging. Nevertheless, seeking Yahweh is completely worthwhile. Jesus said that if we seek first his kingdom and righteousness, we do not have to be anxious of having our needs met (Matt 6:33). What does it mean to seek God's kingdom and His righteousness?

When I think of the word "kingdom," I often imagine the physical domain over which a king rule. However, "kingdom," here, is not only referencing the

spatial domain of God's authority. Rather, seeking the kingdom involves submitting to God's authority in obedience to him. We are seeking for God to reign, not only in ourselves but in the hearts of others.

The "righteousness" that we are supposed to seek is inseparable from the kingdom. Earlier in this same sermon, Jesus said that we must have a righteousness that exceeds that of the Pharisees in order to enter the kingdom. Thus, seeking God's kingdom is actively practicing righteousness as Jesus describes it in the Sermon on the Mount and as the Apostles describe it in their sermons and letters. In conclusion, we must make God's kingdom and righteous living our top priority all while hoping for the day when Jesus consummates his kingdom that he inaugurated on the cross and in Acts 2.

## HAPPINESS by Paul Bailey

What makes you happy? Every year I take a trip with my son Victor to the beach. We go to the Florida Gulf Coast. Our specific destination is the Palmetto Inn and Suites in Panama City Beach. It has become our favorite destination after visiting many places. Panama City Beach or PCB has beautiful white sand beaches, and the emerald water is striking. We always drive to the beach and it is a long drive. We stop in Northern Alabama on the way down and see the NASA Rocket at the welcome center rest stop on I-65. After about 9 hours of interstate, we hit US 331 South and drive 3 more hours south to the coast. About an hour from our destination, we drive over a long bridge and we see open water for the first time and not long after that we reach the ocean. It is breathtaking when we first see the ocean. We are soon in our room on the beach with a balcony overlooking the Gulf of Mexico. We go fishing, walk on the beach, swim in the ocean, play golf and drive go karts. It is FUN and we are happy.

What makes us happy during our vacation at the beach? To me it is being in the beauty of God's creation and the time we spend together, focused on each other. I leave you with **Psalm 37:4-9** (ESV) and desire you to be truly happy.

- <sup>4</sup> *Delight yourself in the LORD,  
and he will give you the desires of your heart.*
- <sup>5</sup> *Commit your way to the LORD;  
trust in him, and he will act.*
- <sup>6</sup> *He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,  
and your justice as the noonday.*
- <sup>7</sup> *Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;  
fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way,  
over the man who carries out evil devices!*
- <sup>8</sup> *Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath!  
Fret not yourself; it tends only to evil.*
- <sup>9</sup> *For the evildoers shall be cut off,  
but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.*

# News, Notes & Announcements...



## BIBLES TO SIGN

Please stop by the counter in the foyer to sign the Bibles of those recently baptized. New members include Emma Doerr, Carrie Vickerstaff, Nick & Chelsea Brown, Makenzie Riley, and Cade Hutchings.

## FOOD PANTRY

If you need food, or know of anyone who does, please do not hesitate to contact Sheryl Herald, Colleen Ryan, or the church office. (Porch deliveries are available for those who cannot pick-up.) Thank you for helping us serve our community.

## POTTER CHILDREN'S HOME GLEANER CANS

Available for pick-up. Please contact the office if you would like a can to fill. They will be collected in the Spring.

## CONTRIBUTION

Weekly Budget \$4,815.00	YTD AVG - \$4,497.00
Over/Under: <b>-\$318.00</b>	
Dec 13, 2020-\$4,145.00	Dec 20, 2020-\$13,075.00
Dec 27, 2020-\$6,287.00	Jan 03, 2021-\$4,497.00

## SUNDAY AM SERMON:

### SEEK

ROM 1:20; 2 TOM 3:16-17 & 1 COR 13: 1-3

1. SEEK THE LORD IN N\_\_\_\_\_
2. SEEK THE LORD IN T\_\_\_\_\_
3. SEEK THE LORD IN L\_\_\_\_\_

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

**JANUARY 10TH—17TH**

<b>ANN PARKER</b>	<b>11TH</b>
<b>MILLIE BRANDON</b>	<b>12TH</b>
<b>EMILY GORMAN</b>	<b>15TH</b>
<b>HUDSON MADDEN</b>	<b>15TH</b>
<b>DON VICKERS</b>	<b>16TH</b>



# Summit's Prayer List

*Pray for these - Send a card - Make a call - Visit someone - Help with needs – Encourage someone today!*

Betty Amerine (friend of the Painters) Fell and broke her hip  
 Dan McNeese Remains in the hospital with COVID complications; will hopefully move to rehab soon  
 Dave Carnes Recovering from hand repair surgery  
 Tom Smith (former preacher at Summit) Triple bypass surgery was a success; pacemaker surgery on 01/04 went well

### Cancer

- **Bev** (Janie Hoskins' sister) Lung cancer
- **Dan Read** (Dan McNeese's friend) Tumor is shrinking
- **Dave Hammer, Jr** (Sharon's son) Began a new medication
- **Mike White** (former elder at Summit) Prostate cancer
- **Sean Timmerding** (Sheryl Herald's friend) Brain tumor is stable
- **Tylene Clark** (Sheryl Herald's cousin's wife) Seeking a second opinion after a cancer diagnosis

### Long-term Needs

- **Ashley Holland**-pray for her unborn baby's health
- **Clara Proctor** (Kyle & Steve's grandma) Hospice care
- **COVID**-healthcare/frontline workers & those who have the virus
- **Daniel Skinner** (Amanda Robinson's brother) Drug rehab
- **Joey Adams**-needs a suitable group home
- **Julie Skinner** (Amanda Robinson's mom) Caring for her parents who have dementia
- **Kerri Herald**-pray for her to be able to be as independent as possible

- **Mandy** (Candice's friend) Going through a divorce
- **Sally Pape** (Renee Carnes' mom) Severe short-term memory loss
- **Shellee Jenkins** (Melissa Denham's cousin) Recovering from a mastectomy
- **Stephanie Gilliam** (Mike Hein's friend) Liver failure

### Shut-In Members

- Clara Downard
- Dana Fuller
- Shirley Holt

### World Bible School Update:

Pray for our 9 active students & 5 active teachers

### Ongoing Requests

Ben Buchanan-Alaska mission  
 Neville Buchanan-counseling work  
 For our country and our leaders  
 For our members to grow in the Word  
**Our Community's lost souls**  
**Summit's planning efforts for the future**  
 Summit Family-greater love for one another  
**Summit's Deacons**-encouragement in service  
**Summit's Elders**-wisdom & love for the flock  
**Summit's Seniors**-faithfulness & mentoring  
**Summit's Teachers**-thankful for our teachers