



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

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2021 VISION
"SEEK THE LORD"

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Christ Came, Died, was Buried, Resurrected, & will Return Sunday 10am Bible Study Sunday 11am Worship Sun. 6pm Zoom Bible Study Wed. 7pm Bible Study

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# WHICH PATH?

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy.

I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

- John 10:4

The contrast between the first and second sentence of this verse is the difference between the outcome of a worldly life and the outcome of a spiritually centered life. A life lived according to the pattern of the world is destructive to self and to others. But a life of following Christ is fulfilling for the individual and a blessing to others. When we see clearly, there is hardly a choice between these paths.

Unfortunately, our adversary is crafty in deceiving us. He makes destruction seem like the path to fulfillment and the way of life seem to be a dead-end street. It is vital that Christians fight the disorientation that comes from living in a corrupt world with a constant stream of truth. Time spent in the Word, in prayer, with Christians, and in service wipes away the fog that makes it possible for Satan to deceive us.

The truth that there is a path to life and a path to death

seems so obvious. Yet it is a foundation that most of our friends don't have. Will you share this with anyone this week?



Tom, for the elders



# From Neville's Desk...

### **LOST AND FOUND**

It was time to replace our mailbox. Carpenter Bees had systematically destroyed the old one. After carefully following the instructions, I felt satisfied with the final product. That is, until I checked my pocket and found four unused screws.

In this life we will experience loss. While I can tolerate misplacing four screws in a mailbox, I cannot process souls that get lost. This keeps me up at night and disturbs my soul in the day.

In Luke 15 Jesus shares three parables to

illustrate the tragedy of lostness. First, the religious leaders lose sheep because of their refusal to associate with notorious sinners (Luke 15:1-7). Second, we can find lost souls if we tenaciously search for them – as the young lady did who lost one of her silver coins (Luke 15:8-10). Third, we lose church family when we do not realize we are our brother's keeper – as seen in the Parable of the Prodigal son and self-righteous older brother (Luke 15:11-32).

Dear Loved One, if you have not returned to your spiritual family, we are missing you – so very, very much! Please come home. We beg you, please come home!



### YAHWEH'S HOLY HILL Robert Murphy

In order to meet with God, we must trek up his holy mountain. As with many other ancient religions, mountains have a special significance in the Bible. Holy mountains are where the three realms meet: heaven, earth, and underworld. They also are the center of the world, a "world navel" from which blessings of life and fertility flow. It provides meaning for our lives and everything else derives its meaning in relation to it.

God's first mountain was none other than Eden, which Ezekiel describes as the "mountain of God" (28:13-14). It was here that Adam and Eve served as typological priests to Yahweh and cultivated the ground in order to expand his presence throughout the whole earth. However, after Adam and Eve defiled this holy space, the next moun-

tain where we see God dwelling is Sinai. It was here that Yahweh met with Moses in order to gift his people with the law. God also revealed himself on Sinai to Moses and to the 70 elders (Exod. 24). From this mountain, the Lord chose to dwell with his people inside of the tabernacle, a portable temple that the Israelites carried around in the wilderness for forty years. Eventually, though, Solomon built the temple of the Lord upon a mountain top in Jerusalem, which later was called Mount Zion.

So where is God's holy mountain today? Where is our world center? It is none other than the "new" Zion, the church of God (Heb 12:22). It is here where God dwells. It is from here that life and blessings flow out into the earth. It is the church that is at the center of the world! Therefore, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord in order to learn his ways and walk in his paths (Isa. 2:3)!

# WHAT'S THE PROBLEM? Chris Ellis

We all have problems in life. A couple of weeks ago, it was a lovely and windy evening, a perfect time to cut the grass. I opened the gate to the backyard, propped it open with a stick, and started cutting the grass. A big gust of wind came along, and the entrance on the privacy fence slammed shut and locked. As you can see, there was a problem, either climb over the wall or figure out how to unlock the gate. I discovered that day, with a bit of work, the gate will open from the back.

This problem isn't the worst problem to have. What does the Bible say about having problems? In this life, we're all going to have problems; it's a given. Jesus promised us that we would face them. In the book of John, we see this promise.

"I have said these things to you that in me, you may have peace. In the world, you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world." (John 16:33, KJV)

In Romans 8:28, it is important to see the good in our problems. It might not be a good situation in the current state, but the reward will be better.

### SUMMIT CHURCH OF CHRIST SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Our Scholarship Program was established to assist Summit students seeking to attend an accredited school affiliated with the churches of Christ and approved by the eldership. The benefit is that it encourages our kids to go to a Christian College, and it sets up a vehicle for people to put this into their will. Some schools, such as Freed Hardeman and Harding, have a matching gifts program, so the donations from the

It is important to remember that we all are going to face problems. Christians can't escape them. God intended for us to encounter them in this life. Many are referenced in the Bible that had their problems. A couple of examples would be Moses and all the issues he faced leading the Israelites, and David's triumphs and tragedies. Problems are a growing opportunity.

Until we all attain to the unity of the faith and the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by deceitful craftiness in schemes. Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so

that it builds itself up in love. (EPH 4:13-16, ESV)

Our problems, with the right attitude and God's grace, can only cause us to grow. How will you look at your problems?

church are doubled by the school to benefit the students!

has several students Summit already enrolled at these schools and more going in fall. the would like you contribute to this scholarship fund, please make your check to "Summit Church of Christ" and designate in the memo "Scholarship Fund". You may also specify the school and/or student you want to support in the memo if you prefer.

## News, Notes & Announcements...



#### GRADUATION PICNIC

There will be a graduation picnic in honor of Jacob Doerr on Saturday, June 5th at 5:30 PM at Tower Park, Shelter #1 in Fort Thomas, KY. Please join us for food, fellowship and fun as we celebrate Jacob and the Class of 2021.

### SUNDAY AM SERMON:

### FAITH THAT OVERCOMES MATTHEW 10:24-42

I. L	: YOU WILL BE PERSECUTED,
	MATTHEW 10:24-24
II. T	: MY SOUL IS SAFE,
	MATTHEW 10:26-31
III. E_	: FAITH'S CONFESSION,
	MATTHEW 10:32-33
IV. O_	: CONFLICT REVEALS HEART
	CONDITION & RESULT IN
	COMPENSATION, 10:34-42
A. C_	, MATTHEW 10:34-36
B. HE,	ART'S C REVEALED,
	MATTHEW 10:37-38
C. RES	SULTANT C,

MATTHEW 10:39-42

### WE REJOICE WITH THE ANGELS!

**LYLAH DOERR** WAS BAPTIZED WEDNESDAY EVENING. ADDRESS: 33 RIVERVIEW AVENUE, FORT THOMAS, KY 41075

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# CONTRIBUTION Weekly Budget \$4 815.00

Weekly budget \$4,615.00	1 1D AVG - \$3,144.00
Over/Under: +\$6,593.80	
Apr 25, 2021-\$4,478.00	May 02, 2021-\$4,732.00
May 09, 2021-\$6,023.00	May 16, 2021-\$5,087.00

#### **Upcoming Events**

September 10-11	Ladies' Retreat at Potter's Ranch
September 24-25	Men's Retreat at Potter's Ranch



# Summit's Prayer List

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

Becky Treadway (friend of Laura Hutchings' mom) Remains in the hospital with complication from COVID

Dan McNeese Home from rehab: pray for a full recovery from the effects of COVID

Harold Painter Surgery to clear blockages & place stents on 5/24 Ken Bailey (Morgan & Paul's dad) If current medication does not work, will try targeted radiation

Kyleigh Cooper Surgery to remove tonsils & adenoids is on 5/26 at Children's Hospital

Nick Henson Six-week checkup showed his condition is stable; will re-check in 6 months

Sarah Webster Bedrest for pregnancy-induced high blood pressure; will be induced on 5/24 if baby Preston doesn't arrive before then

Spencer Harlow (Ron & Julie Harlow's teenage son) He has a large Solitary Fibrous Tumor pressing on his spine & vital organs. They will shrink it with medication prior to surgery.

Thelma Rachford Received good news from last week's heart tests; remains weak

#### Cancer

- Bev (Janie Hoskins' sister) Lung cancer; needs surgery
- Dan Read (Dan McNeese's friend) Cancer is stable
- Dave Hammer, Jr (Sharon's son) Cancer is stable
- **Dorothy Whorley** (friend of Sharon Hammer's son) Radiation for 4-6 months
- Jamie (Steve Proctor's co-worker) Cancer recurrence

- Linda Krebs (Brad & Faith's grandma) In the hospital, not doing well with chemo
- Sean Timmerding (Brad & Faith's grandma) Surgery to remove the brain tumor went well; will begin radiation
- Shellee Jenkins (Melissa Denham's cousin) Completed chemo treatments; struggling emotionally
- Tylene Clark (Sheryl Herald's cousin's wife) Cancer recurrence Long-term Needs
- Daniel Skinner (Amanda Robinson's brother) Recovering from an addiction
- Dennis Ratliff (Sheryl Herald's friend) Awaiting surgery for liver disease
- Joey Adams- Needs a suitable group home
- Julie Skinner (Amanda Robinson's mom) Struggling with caring for her parents who have dementia
- Kerri Herald— Pray for her ability to be independent as an adult
- Mandy (Candice's friend) Going through a divorce
- Nick Henson— Condition is being monitored for six weeks
- Raye Arroyos (Melissa Denham's mom) Recovery is going well
- Stephanie Gilliam (Mike Hein's friend) Liver failure
- Tom Smith (former Summit preacher) Recovery is going well Shut-In Members
- Clara Downard
- Dana Fuller
- Peggy Holt
- Shirley Holt

