



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

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2021 VISION  
"SEEK THE LORD"



*Christ Came, Died, was Buried,  
Resurrected, & will Return*

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## "SHALL YOUR BRETHREN GO TO WAR WHILE YOU SIT HERE?"

Steve Proctor

Just before Israel entered the promised land the tribes of Reuben and Gad asked to settle in the land east of the Jordan. Reuben and Gad had a lot of livestock and the land of Jazer and Gilead were great for raising it. So, they wanted to stay where they were instead of crossing over with the rest of the nation.

In Numbers 32 we find Moses' response, "Shall your brethren go to war while you sit here?"

We often find ourselves where we are comfortable and at ease. It's easy for us to look around and see that we pretty well have it made. We have a great deal of freedom to worship and teach as we please. We find a great deal of comfort in our current situation. Generally speaking, we find comfort in the work of others. Someone else takes care of the heavy lifting and we are happy to sit where we are; not going backwards, but not moving forward. We're all guilty of it from time to time, including myself- more often than I'd like to admit. But we must answer Moses' question, "Shall your brethren go to war while you sit here?"

A spiritual war is raging around and within us. We can't sit by and watch others fight while we sit in safety. Many saints have fought bravely up to this moment. We must be among them. We must take up arms, the word of God, and fight on.

Sitting out only discourages those who fight. Not fighting with our brothers and sisters is just as bad as taking up arms against them.

Be active. Be involved. Fight. Let's not let our brethren go to war while we sit.



## From Neville's Desk...

### **SUFFERING CAN LEAD TO STRENGTH**

When Satan sought to annihilate Christ via the cross, he was actually setting himself up for failure. The same is true when he causes Christians to suffer. Paul describes this in Romans 5:3-4 (ESV). "Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that SUFFERING produces ENDURANCE, and endurance produces CHARACTER, and character produces HOPE," ...

So, how exactly does this work?

1. SUFFERING: Accept the reality of the suffering. Our first instinct is to deny what is happening. We say and believe lies like: Our loved one did not really die; We did not really lose our employment; Or our addiction will not cost us everything.

2. ENDURANCE: On the path to healing, keep moving through all the uncomfortable emotions and/or

cravings. Express the hopelessness but do not live there. Move through it.

3. CHARACTER: Look for or discover your new normal. This means, if the suffering was alcohol, then endurance stops the cravings. The new normal is a person who no longer has alcohol urges as part of his/her character. In this stage resist the urge to return to the past.

4. HOPE: Find hope in this new normal. For David, after the agonizing loss of a child, his new normal was a hope that he was going to be reunited with his innocent baby in heaven.

On December 1st, 1984, I stopped drinking all alcohol. I endured through the change. Today my character has no yearnings for that past life. My new normal is a life without that addictive, depressing, liver, and memory destroying crutch.

Friend, what is causing you to suffer today?



### **WORDS OF HATE OR HEALING: WHICH WILL YOU CHOOSE?**

Robert Murphy

Like all married couples, sometimes Rachel and I have disagreements. On occasions these disagreements can be sharp or heated. A couple of weeks ago, Rachel grew angry with me because of my failure to keep a commitment I made to her. Her anger made me feel defensive and angry back. It made me want to yell and say hurtful things back to her. I even said some things that, while not being directly spiteful, were irrationally defensive of my behavior. So, the verbal battle continued.

At this point I had a choice. I could continue to act on the burning anger I felt within myself. I could defend my actions with reasonable excuses. I could tell her off and attack her to take the sting of her rebuke off me. Or I could take a step back and evaluate my own actions. Instead of

acting on my emotions, I could act like Christ. I could be gentle toward my wife instead of retaliating.

Who was wrong or right does not matter here. There are times for harsh rebuke and times to defend yourself against unjust remarks. However, those occasions are seldom for Christians. Instead of being defensive, when reviled, we need not revile in return (1 Pet 2:23; cf. Isa 53:7). Additionally, Solomon says, "A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger" (Prov 15:1). Instead of speaking harsh words back, I decided to humble myself and apologize for my lack of commitment. Instead of looking at how she hurt my feelings, I looked at how I hurt her through my failure. I hope that we can take this story and reflect on our struggle with defensiveness and controlling our tongues. Instead of crushing the other person's spirit, I hope our healing words can be a tree of life (Prov.15:4).

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# News, Notes & Announcements...



## COLLEGE AND YOUNG ADULT BONFIRE

Robert and Rachel Murphy cordially invite college students and young professionals to their home on Friday, October 22nd for a dinner and campfire at 6:00 PM.

Address: 20 Drexel Ave. Florence, KY 41042

## MONTHLY REPORT MEETING

Sunday, October 24th at 12:30pm. Lunch will be provided.

All the men of the congregation are encouraged to attend.

Deacons and ministry leaders please bring your dreams, plans and budgets for 2022.

## SOCKTOBER

The Denhams are collecting socks and cold-weather gear for the homeless throughout the month of October. There is a labeled container in the foyer for donations.

## TRUNK OR TREAT

Wednesday, October 27th directly following an abbreviated service. Please plan to decorate your vehicle's trunk and bring treats to hand out (we will allow those decorating their trunks some time before we "release" the kids). Costumes (nothing scary please) can be changed into after service, before we head out to the parking lot. Please invite your friends, family and neighbors!

## SUMMIT FALL RETREAT

Please join us Friday, October 29th - Sunday, October 31st at Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp in Hillsboro, Ohio.

Suggested pricing per person (age 2 and under are free).

Please note that cost should not be a barrier to attending:

\$20-Full Retreat

\$15-Friday Night & Saturday

\$15-Saturday & Sunday

\$5-Saturday Only

The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT KIDS' CLASS

If you'd be willing to help with the younger kids' class on Wednesday night, please contact Cori or the office for a link to the sign-up sheet.

All class lessons and materials are provided.

## UPCOMING EVENTS...

### COMMIT YOUTH RALLY

November 12-13, 2021, at the Richmond church of Christ.

All middle and high school students are welcome.

Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

### CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE (CYC)

February 25-27, 2022 at the LeConte Center, Pigeon Forge, TN.

Theme is *#forme: Creation, Redemption, Heaven.*

## Summit's Prayer List

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

Billie Rogers In Emerald Trace rehab for next 3 weeks;

IV antibiotics for next 6 weeks

Brent (**Kasey Jones' co-worker**) Pneumonia, home now and

improving- one side is healed

Debra Martin & Family Her brother-in-law, Mike Poyner, passed

away

Nancy Brown Glaucoma in right eye, more testing on Nov. 10

Phillip Steyn (**Douwene's dad**) **Doing better, home now on oxygen**

Thelma Rachford Health struggles

### Cancer

• Dan Read (**Dan McNeese's friend**) Tumor is shrinking

• Dave Hammer, Jr (**Sharon's son**) Cancer is stable

• Karen Osborne (**Norma's niece**) Radiation for brain tumor

### Long-term Needs

• Joey Adams- Needs a suitable group home

• Kerri Herald- Pray for her ability to be independent as an adult

• Raye Arroyos (**Melissa Denham's mom**) Recovery from her stroke is going well

• Spencer Harlow- Home now

• Stephanie Gilliam (**Mike Hein's friend**) Liver failure

### Shut-In Members

• Clara Downard

• Dana Fuller

• Shirley Holt

### 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



## ~ Order of Worship ~

**Song Leader:** Daryl Denham

*Call to Worship #577 We Bow Down*

*Hymn #590 Jesus is All the World to Me*

**Opening Prayer:** Billy Herald

*Hymn #745 Humble Yourself*

*Hymn: Sanctuary*

**Lord's Supper:** Steve Proctor

**Offering:** 2 Corinthians 9:10

*Hymn #853 When We All Get to Heaven*

**Scripture Reading:** Brad Herald

**Message:** Neville Buchanan

*Invitation Hymn: Pierce My Ear*

**Closing Prayer:** Billy Herald

### SERMON NOTES:

WHEN I LOVE THE BIBLE; PSALM 119:129-136

1. I K\_\_\_\_\_ / O\_\_\_\_\_ THE BIBLE - PSALM 119:129
  - THEREFORE, I GAIN W\_\_\_\_\_ - PSALM 119:130
2. I L\_\_\_\_\_ FOR IT -- PSALM 119:131
  - THEREFORE, I GAIN G\_\_\_\_\_ - PSALM 119:132
  - THEREFORE, I GAIN V\_\_\_\_\_ - PSALM 119:133
  - THEREFORE, I GAIN R\_\_\_\_\_ - PSALM 119:134
  - THEREFORE, I GAIN F\_\_\_\_\_ - PSALM 119:135
3. BUT I C\_\_\_\_\_ BECAUSE NOT ALL KEEP / OBEY THE BIBLE - PSALM 119:136

## ~ Wed., October 20th Service Leaders ~

**Song Leader** - Isaac Mayes; **Opening Prayer** - Steve Proctor  
**Speaker** - Robert Murphy

## ~ For the Record ~

### Upcoming Events

Friday, October 22

College & Young Adult  
Bonfire at Murphy's, 6pm  
Monthly Report Meeting  
Trunk or Treat  
Summit Retreat at Fort Hill

Sunday, October 24

Wednesday, Oct. 27

October 29-31

### Mark Your Calendars

Sunday, November 7

November 12-13

February 25-27

April 30, 2022

Monthly Fellowship Meal  
Commit Youth Rally  
CYC in Pigeon Forge  
Parenting Workshop

### Attendance

Sept 19, 2021

Sept 26, 2021

Oct. 03, 2021

Oct. 10, 2021

### Class

70

97

69

71

### AM

130

171

138

117

### Wed

56

57

48

52

### YTD AVG Attendance

114

### YTD Baptisms

9

### CONTRIBUTION

Weekly Budget \$4,815.00

Over/Under: +\$10,386.80

Sept 19, 2021-\$4,711.00

Oct. 03, 2021-\$4,192.00

YTD AVG - \$5,068.32

Sept 26, 2021-\$4,138.00

Oct. 10, 2021-\$6,768.00

### Serving the Nursery

10/17—Nancy and Ashley Brown

10/24—Stephanie, Aubri and Alexa

10/31—Bettie C. and Debra Martin

### Communion Preparation

October—Bettie Courtney

November—Dalys Hill



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

### OCTOBER 17TH—24TH

LYDIA MENETREY	17TH
VICTOR BAILEY	18TH
DAN MCNEESE	20TH
THELMA RACHFORD	20TH
DARYL TUCKER	20TH
BRETT DENHAM	21ST
DUSTIN TUCKER	21ST
SHERYL REAGAN	22ND
APRIL HENN	23RD



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