



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

**October 24, 2021**

## IT COULD BE BETTER

Daryl Denham

*<sup>15</sup> And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." Joshua 24:15*

"Of course it could be better. That's not the question, not really. The question is, "what are you going to do about it?" And, to follow up, "what effort are you willing to put in to make it better?" If you're not willing to make it better, it's probably going to stay the way it is. The changing of seasons is as good a time as any to say, "now, I'm going to make it better." The key word isn't 'better'. The key words are now and I." These are the words of Seth Godin, from his daily blog, and they ring true in every aspect of our lives; physical, mental, spiritual, work, or leisure.

In any given moment, there are thousands of things that we could do: go for a walk, exercise, call a friend, read a book, study, watch tv, listen to music, and on and on. So, we choose. Most of what we do is borne out of habit, and our habit is formed by countless choices in countless moments that came before. If we want things to be better our best path usually begins by acknowledging that we do, in fact, have a choice.

Joshua told the Israelites, in Joshua 24:15, to "choose this day whom you will serve... But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." We first make the decision to start serving the Lord. But we refine the decision by every choice we make. "Line upon line, precept upon precept," each choice we make draws us closer to, or further away, from the Lord. Where are your choices leading you?

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2021 VISION

"SEEK THE LORD"



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

Sunday 10am Bible Study

Sunday 11am Worship

Sun. 6pm Bible Study & Devotional

Wednesday 7pm Bible Study

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### Office Hours at Building:

Mon-Thurs: 9-1:30pm

Friday: 9-12pm

## ROOTED IN CHRIST

Robert Murphy

In Colossians 2:6-7, Paul commands us, "As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving" (NRSV). I want to focus on Paul's command to be "rooted" in Jesus.

When we root ourselves in Jesus, we receive nourishment and life from him. Just as the soil provides nourishment for the plant through the roots, so also Christ provides nourishment for us. Jesus himself says, "For just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself" (John 5:26) and "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life" (6:54). To truly live, we need Jesus, the source of life.

When we root ourselves in Jesus, we have a foundation that will not fail. If a tree

has a deep and broad root system, it will better withstand the storms to come. We will have many storms in life: Death of friends and family, sickness, political and social unrest, false teaching, injustice, and many other vices and unfortunate circumstances. Rooting ourselves in Jesus is the best way to prepare ourselves for these storms. As the old song goes, we will be "like a tree planted by the water, [we] shall not be moved" (cf. Ps 1:3).

To root ourselves in Christ, we need to strengthen our faith. We strengthen our faith by study, worship, service, and many other spiritual disciplines that focus our mind, body, and spirit on our Messiah. They will help us to remove the faltering foundation of faulty reasoning, mistaken trust, and sinful inclination. Simultaneously, they establish our foundation upon the Living Cornerstone (1 Peter 2:4-10). He alone is how we can weather the storm and he alone is how we can have life.

### MAKE PLANS NOW TO JOIN US FOR THE FALL SUMMIT RETREAT *Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp* *Hillsboro, Ohio* The Weekend of October 29th-31st, 2021

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



## TRUNK-OR-TREAT



This year's Trunk or Treat will be held on  
**Wednesday, October 27th at 7:30pm.**

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!

# News, Notes & Announcements...



## MONTHLY REPORT MEETING

Today at 12:30pm. Lunch will be provided.

## 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.

## 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.

## COMMUNION PREPARATION

Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

## BIBLES TO SIGN

Please stop by the round table in the foyer to sign the Bibles of those recently baptized.

## POTTER CHILDREN'S HOME GLEANER CANS

Available for pick-up. Please contact the office if you would like a can to fill.

## Note of thanks

*To our Summit Church of Christ Family,  
We want to thank you for the care packages, calls, funds, gift cards, and especially the prayers offered on our behalf during Spencer's time a Children's. We still have a bit of a tough road ahead of us, but we're thankful you have been here to support us.*

*Thank you again and we love each of you very much.*

*Love,*

*Ron, Julie & Spencer Harlow*

## 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!**

Bill Guin (Chris' dad) Had a pacemaker put in, doing well

Billie Rogers In Emerald Trace rehab for another 2 weeks

Dana Fuller In the hospital receiving treatment for an infection,

**will go to rehab when she's released**

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

Peggy Holt In a nursing home in Warsaw for the next few weeks

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

Thelma Rachford Health struggles

Zoey Cooper Recovering from hand, foot, and mouth disease

### 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- Back home in FL

• 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:** Billy Herald

*Call to Worship #768 Jesus, Let Us Come to Know You*

*Hymn #712 Jesus is Coming Soon*

**Opening Prayer:** Robert Murphy

*Hymn #831 Let Me Live Close to Thee*

*Hymn #701 My Jesus, I Love Thee*

**Lord's Supper:** Isaac Mayes

**Offering:** Malachi 3:8

*Hymn #699 I'll Be a Friend to Jesus*

**Scripture Reading:** Roy Gentry

**Message:** Neville Buchanan

*Invitation Hymn #662 I Surrender All*

**Closing Prayer:** Daryl Denham

### SERMON NOTES:

**O HOW I LOVE JESUS**

**ROMANS 5:8**

1. THE STORY OF THE SAVIOR'S S \_\_\_\_\_,

MATTHEW 1:21

2. THE STORY OF SIMON AND THE \_\_\_\_\_,

LUKE 7:39-43

3. THE STORY OF SIMON'S S \_\_\_\_\_,

JOHN 18:17, 25-27; JOHN 21:15-19

4. SERIOUS SCRIPTURES TO S \_\_\_\_\_, MATTHEW

22:37-38; JOHN 14:15; JOHN 5:42-43; 8:42

## ~ Wed., October 27th Service Leaders ~

**Song Leader** - Chis Guin; **Opening Prayer** - Adam Fuller

**Speaker** - Adam Fuller

## ~ For the Record ~

### Upcoming Events

Sunday, October 24

Wednesday, Oct. 27

October 29-31

Monthly Report Meeting

Trunk or Treat

Summit Retreat at Fort Hill

### 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 26, 2021

Oct. 03, 2021

Oct. 10, 2021

Oct. 17, 2021

### Class

97

69

71

65

### AM

171

138

117

122

### Wed

57

48

52

54

### YTD AVG Attendance

115

### YTD Baptisms

9

### CONTRIBUTION

Weekly Budget \$4,815.00

Over/Under: +\$8,926.80

Sept 26, 2021-\$4,138.00

Oct. 10, 2021-\$6,768.00

YTD AVG - \$5,027.53

Oct. 03, 2021-\$4,192.00

Oct. 17, 2021-\$3,355.00

### Serving the Nursery

10/24—Stephanie, Aubri and Alexa

10/31—Bettie Courtney and Debra Martin

11/07—Emma Doerr and Emma Guin

11/14—Laura and Lylah Doerr

### Communion Preparation

October—Bettie Courtney

November—Dalys Hill



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

OCTOBER 24TH—31ST

ROY HOLT

30TH



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If you have announcement items for the website, or any questions/comments in general about the website, please submit them to [nkychurch@gmail.com](mailto:nkychurch@gmail.com) too.