



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

**January 22, 2023**

## **A STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE**

Andrew Ellis

Some standards have to be met by all of us regularly. Employees have to meet the standards that their employers set. Students have standards set forth by their respective academic institutions. Athletes have to meet the standards set by their coaches. No matter the titles we possess, there are standards we must achieve. Failure to meet the standards set for us could have repercussions.

While we strive to meet the expectations for us in our lives, do we strive to meet the standards set for us by God's Word? Do we ever prioritize the standards we have on Earth over our Spiritual Standards? How important is our faith to us? It can be easy to overlook what is important. While expectations of us are essential, we should not lose sight of other priorities. We should not lose sight of the standards God has set for us.

To adhere to the standards, we are called to live by, we must distinguish who we serve. Do we allow what is in this World to overtake our priorities? Do we serve our Father in Heaven, or do we serve the World? Jesus in Matthew 6 emphasizes the importance of serving one Master. Matthew 6:25 says, ***"No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money."*** Romans 12:2 says, ***"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."***

While it is essential to be the best we can be in all we do, we must have our priorities in check. We need to achieve balance. We can live a Christian life while taking care of other responsibilities. Our employers, schools, and teams need us to achieve a certain standard. Our Father in Heaven wants us to live to a certain standard. Are we doing our best to balance out our responsibilities? Are we achieving a Standard of Excellence?

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*Becoming Like Christ in 2023*



*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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Jeff Carnes - Facilities & VC

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Friday: 9-12pm



## From Neville's Desk...

### DETERIORATION OF CIVILIZATION

How in the world did we get to a place where a child can say to a parent, "While I would never do it, I don't think there is anything wrong with \_\_\_\_ (fill in the blank with smoking weed, skipping school, etc.)". I continually hear statements like this (even from the highly educated).

There are two obvious reasons for the fast deterioration of our civilization.

First, people believe they should be the hero of every story. There is not a movie, sitcom or advertisement that does not use this hero narrative. It is all about

### NEVER FORGET

Robert Murphy

We all know those who live in the past. Some reminisce about the 1950s, when times were simpler for most people. They grow nostalgic for a time when they could leave their doors unlocked and they could let their children roam free without fear of danger. It could be someone in their 20s or 30s always trying to remain in the "glory days" of their high school career, when they were popular and successful before they had to start at the bottom of the "grownup world."

When we do not share the nostalgia of these persons, we often pity them. They are stuck in the past and cannot live in the present day. The past, for us, is of little importance because the present is what is *real*. We agree with the words of Qohelet, "Do not say, 'Why were the former days better than these?' For it is not from wisdom that you ask this." (Ecc. 7:10; NRSV).

Sometimes we make the opposite mistake of forgetting the past when the past has a direct impact on how we live in the present. In Deut. 8:11–20, Moses warned the Israelites of forgetting what

"me". It used to be love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind. And love your neighbor as yourself.

Second, people believe they determine what is true. I heard Dr. Phil (S15E156) trying to explain to a 19-year-old that it was theft to take \$130,000 without consent. She absolutely did not get it. Why? Because she said it made her happy and was not harming anyone.

Friend, show your family the hero of your story by living the two most important commandments. And, maybe like Chuck Gambill, show your family where truth can be found by carrying your Bible wherever you go.



Yahweh had done for them in Egypt and the wilderness. He liberated them, provided for them, and conquered their enemies. Yet the comforts of the present may cause them to forget the past and grow arrogant. They would think that *they* had made themselves great and that *they* were the cause of their success.

Remembering the past can help us stay humble. We recognize all the help we received from others and know that we are not the key to our own success. Others have provided us with opportunities, and we merely took them. Like the Israelites, God has redeemed us from the house of slavery, he continues to guide us through the wilderness and provide for us, he has defeated our enemies in the past and will continue to do so. Sadly, we are also like the Israelites when we forget what God has done for us and his commandments that he has given to us. Therefore, we must remember Jesus' sacrifice *at least* once a week during the Lord's Supper. We must count our blessings every day and thank our Divine Benefactor. Forgetfulness leads to ingratitude, ingratitude to pride, and pride to sinfulness. Conversely, remembrance leads to thankfulness, thankfulness to humility, and humility to godliness.

# News, Notes & Announcements...



## LADIES 2023 PLANNING MEETING TODAY

Please join us for discussion following morning services.

## MID-WESTERN CHILDREN'S HOME GALA

\$60/person for dinner, live auction & silent auction fund raiser for the children's home.

Friday, February 10th, 5:30-9:30

Manor House Event Center

7440 Mason Montgomery Rd.

Mason, OH 45040

Please see Chris Guin if you plan to attend.

## DIRECTORY PICTURES

If you would like to update, please see Sheryl Herald after service and she will take your photo.

## GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAIN MARRIAGE RETREAT

February 15-19, 2023.

## 2023 COMMUNION PREPARATION

There is just one month left that needs someone to sign-up.  
The sheet is on the bulletin board.

## POTTER CHILDREN'S HOME CHANGE CANS

Please contact the office if you would like a can to fill.

## SUMMIT FAMILY MAILBOX

The mailbox is set up in the foyer. If you wish to send a greeting card to someone in the congregation, just place the card in the mailbox and raise the flag. *Postage is not necessary.* It will be delivered by the young ladies in the 6th-8th grade class between Bible study and worship every Sunday morning.

## WANTED: BULLETIN CONTRIBUTORS

We are looking for more members of the congregation to write devotionals for the bulletin. Please email the office if you are interested in contributing (nkychurch@gmail.com).

## UPCOMING EVENTS...

CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

February 24-26, 2023 in Pigeon Forge.

## GOSPEL MEETING

With speaker Matt Cook the weekend of April 23, 2023.

## Summit's Prayer List

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

Billie Rogers Still in the ICU recovering from fall and pacemaker surgery

Colleen Menetrey (Greg Sr's sister) In-home hospice

Jack Herald Recovering from tonsil and adenoid removal, surgery went well

Jerry Gorman Second surgery to remove blockages in his neck scheduled for March 9th

John Walden (Lucy Ferguson's brother) In Vanderbilt hospital with Parkinson's disease

Walter Peters (Sheryl's uncle) In hospice care at Carmel Manor

### Cancer

- Dale Turner (Ann Young's brother) Cancer in both lungs
- Edward (Mariville Dumlao's brother)
- Ethan Judy (friend of Fullers) Stopped all treatment
- Jazairy (friend of Rieras)
- Julie Harlow
- Kandi Horn (friend of Candy Proctor) Finished chemo
- Lamar Tackett (friend of Denhams) Stage 3 kidney cancer
- Marva Herald (friend of Buchanans)
- Rob Feldman (friend of Heralds) Radiation and chemo

### Long-term Needs

- Evon Herald- Onset of dementia
- Joey Adams- Needs a suitable group home

- Kerri Herald- Pray for her ability to be independent as an adult
- Lon Schindler (Hammer family friend) Second liver transplant
- Raye Arroyos (Melissa Denham's mom)
- Ruthann Taylor

### Shut-In Members

- Billie Rogers
- Dana Fuller
- Lloyd Eastham
- Peggy Holt
- Thelma Rachford

### 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 #103** *He Has Made Me Glad*

**Hymn #859** *When All of God's Singers Get Home*

**Opening Prayer:** Michael Braswell

**Hymn:** *Firm Foundation*

**Hymn #176** *Lamb of God*

**Lord's Supper:** Jeff Schaefer

**Offering:** 2 Corinthians 9:7

**Hymn #968** *O They Tell Me of a Home*

**Scripture Reading:** Kam Vickers

**Message:** Neville Buchanan

**Invitation Hymn #474** *Thank You, Lord*

**Closing Prayer** Billy Herald

### SERMON NOTES:

THE SAINT'S HEART

LUKE 6:46-49

1. WHAT A SAINT'S HEART W \_\_\_\_\_,

LUKE 6:20-26

2. HOW A SAINT'S HEART R \_\_\_\_\_,

LUKE 6:27-36

3. WHY A SAINT'S HEART NEVER J \_\_\_\_\_,

LUKE 6:37-42

## ~ Wed., Jan. 25th Service Leaders ~

**Song Leader** - Robert Murphy

**Opening Prayer** - Adam Fuller

**Speaker** - Andrew Ellis

## ~ For the Record ~

### Upcoming Events

Sunday, January 22

Ladies Planning Meeting

### Mark Your Calendars

Sunday, Feb. 5

Friday, Feb. 10

February 15-19

February 24-26

Weekend of April 23

Tuesday, May 30

September 15-16

Monthly Fellowship Meal

Mid-Western Gala

Great Smoky Mountain

Marriage Retreat

CYC in Pigeon Forge

Gospel Meeting with

Speaker Matt Cook

Hoxworth Blood Drive

Men's Retreat

### Attendance

Dec. 25, 2022

Jan. 01, 2023

Jan. 08, 2023

Jan. 15, 2023

### Class

59

77

88

87

### AM

106

138

120

151

### Wed

41

57

63

63

### YTD AVG Attendance

136

### YTD Baptisms

0

### CONTRIBUTION

Weekly Budget \$5,518.00

Over/Under: **-\$1,365.00**

Dec. 25, 2022-\$4,990.00

Jan. 08, 2023-\$5,837.00

YTD AVG - \$5,063.00

Jan. 01, 2023-\$5,217.00

Jan. 15, 2023-\$4,135.00

### Serving the Nursery

01/22—Laura and Carly Herald

01/29—Emma Guin, Josiah, Kameron

02/05—Morgan and Vana

02/12—Douwene and Sarah Watts

### Communion Preparation

January—Morgan and Vana



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

**JANUARY 22ND—28TH**

**KYLE PROCTOR**

**22ND**

**JEFF MCDOLE**

**23RD**

**GREG MENETREY JR.**

**27TH**

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email it to **[nkychurch@gmail.com](mailto:nkychurch@gmail.com)** by Thursday.

If you have announcement items for the website,

or any questions/comments in general about the

website, please submit them to

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