## How Do I Become A Member Of The Lord's Church?

**Hear** God's Word: *Romans 10:17*
**Believe** Jesus is Lord: *Acts 2:36, John 3:16*
**Repent** of your sins: *Luke 13:3-5*
**Confess** Jesus as the Son of God: *Romans 10:9-10*
**Be Baptized** for the remission of sins: *Acts2:38, Romans 6:3-4*

And then

**Remain Faithful:** *Revelation 2:10*

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## NOTES

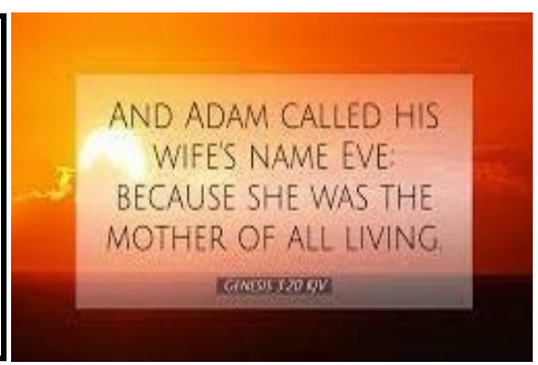
## Bible Trivia Quiz

**(Try to answer without looking in your Bible.)**

**OT 1. Who was the mother of Joseph and Benjamin?**

**NT 2. Who was Timothy's mother?**

**Answers to last week's quiz:**
**1. his sister 2. seven**



## WELCOME, VISITORS!

***YOU** are our most honored guests and we want to get to know you and answer any questions you may have. Please fill out one of the visitor cards found on the back of the pew and stay a few minutes after service so we can meet you.*

Elders: Bob Bliss and Gene Newton

### May 14, 2023

**9:30 Adult Class:**

**"Words, Words, Words. . . . . and The Word"**

*Phillip Hammond*

**10:30 Worship:**
**Scripture Reading: Luke 3:7-10**

**"And So It Begins"**

*Bob Bliss*

**5:00 Evening Service**

**7 :00 Wednesday Bible Classes**

## Purpose

Recently a study was published by the scientists at Boston University School of Medicine, Harvard's School of Public Health, and the University of British Columbia called "Purpose in Life and 8-Year Mortality by Gender and Race/ Ethnicity among Older Adults in the U.S." in a journal called *Preventive Medicine*. The paper outlined a study on people having a "purpose in life" and what that does for them. The study defines purpose as "the extent to which someone perceives a sense of direction and goals in their life." The study concluded that this "purpose" provides health benefits, including "improved physical functioning, lower risk of cardiovascular disease, and a lower risk of cognitive decline." Sounds pretty good!

The study also concluded that "purpose" offers a lower risk of death. The study says, "people with the highest sense of purpose displayed the lowest risk of death (15.2 percent) in comparison to others with the lowest observed sense of purpose (36.5 percent)." So, if you have a well-defined purpose, you can expect to live a healthier and longer life. It would have been interesting to know what each individual in this study had as a "purpose." Was it religious? Was it job related? Was it about helping others? Was it health related? What exactly did these folks focus on? But the general take-away is clear – having a purpose is good for a human being.

There are lots of verses in the Bible that I could quote that show we have a purpose. I think 1 Corinthians 10:31 sums up our overall purpose as Christians, "Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God." When this is our overall purpose in life, it controls everything we do. We can then evaluate each action, thought, and word as to whether it brings glory to God. We can then thank God that this purpose helps our physical health and then thank Him that this helps our eternal health.

-Bob-

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## Bible Classes & Events

### Sunday Morning @ 9:30
**Adults—Auditorium—Phillip Hammond**
**All children in Room 2—Sharon Stein**
**Spanish Class— Room 6—Octavio Imaña**

### Wednesday Evening @ 7:00
**Adults in the Auditorium—Bob Bliss**
**Spanish Class— Room 6—Octavio Imaña**
**All children in Room 2—Pat Bliss**

### Monday Morning @ 10:30
**Body Builders in Room 6**

### Thursday Morning @ 10:00
**Ladies' Bible Class**
**will resume in September**

### 2nd & 4th Tuesday Evenings @ 7:00
**Sisters' Bible Study - in Room 6**

### 4th Friday Each Month @ 8:00
**Men's Fellowship Breakfast**
**at Perkins Restaurant**

## Serving Our Family

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**Worship Coordinator/May**
Robert Thornhill

## For The Record

May 7, 2023

**Attendance**

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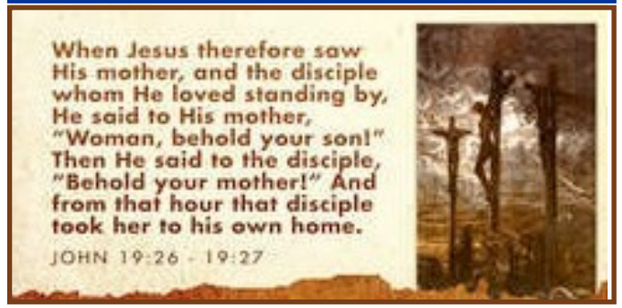
|---|---|
| Bible Study | 40 |
| AM Worship | 55 |
| PM Worship | 40 |
| Wednesday | 30 |

**Contribution - $2,592**
**Weekly Average - $2,892**
**Goal - $2,986**

**May 20**

**Armed Forces Day is a joint celebration of all five branches of the U.S. military: the Army, the Navy, the Coast Guard, the Marine Corps and the Air Force. The day honors all people currently serving in the U.S. armed forces.**

**Thank you for your service!**




## Please pray for . . .

### . . . our church family
Dave & Judy Alexander, Donna Arman, Betty Badley, Betty Bolton, Dew Drop Begley, Gail Chandler, Robert Cutlip, Trish Inman, Brenda Matchett, Dorothy Osmon, Glenn & Phyllis Schliebner, and Max & Jane Thomas.

**Dave Alexander** fell and cracked four of his ribs. He is home from the hospital and is doing well.

**Betty Bolton** is scheduled for knee-replacement surgery this Tuesday, May 16.

**Kenneth Zackery** has requested prayers for his friend **Jeanette Smith and her family**.

**Donna Arman** will complete her radiation treatments this week.

### . . . our shut-ins
Roger & Treva Childress, Maxine Driggers, Eric Hansen, Jerry & Regina Kirk, Janet Lindsey, Ann Newton, Ed Stanphill, JoAn Wood, Richard J. Woody, and William Wycoffe.

**New Address for Richard J. Woody**

**3475 SW 87th Drive**
**Gainesville, FL 32608**

*". . . and let her rejoice who gave birth to you."*
*Proverbs 23:25*

## Elders' Corner

### PANTRY INFO
Thanks again for keeping our pantry stocked so we can give to families in need each month. The items needed for the giveaway on **June 10th** will be posted on the bulletin board and will be in next week's bulletin.

Thanks to all of you, this outreach is helping many families, both physically and spiritually.

WE ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!!
Bob and Gene

*"For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in; naked, and you clothed Me; I was sick, and you visited Me; I was in prison, and you came to Me."* *Matthew 25:35-36*

**Happy Birthday!**
**5/20 Laura Martin**

**Happy Anniversary!**
**5/19 Steve & Carol Shyers**
**(44 Years!)**