

Facts about Truth

Jesus said, "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free" (John 8:32). Consider five facts about truth:

1. We can know the truth. Even in a confusing, divided world, truth is available right before us in the Bible. It is understandable, discernable, and simple. Pretending it does not exist does not exempt us from it.
2. Truth will make us free from Satan, sin, addiction, hopelessness, selfishness, and guilt. Seek truth. Embrace it.
3. Truth can be painful and inconvenient (Matthew 16:21). It does not change based on personal feelings.
4. Truth is valuable. "Buy the truth, and do not sell it" (Proverbs 23:23). Denying the truth does not change it (John 12:48), so it is wise to be open to changing ourselves (cf. Acts 8:40).
5. Truth is powerful (Romans 1:16). It can "make us," or we can break ourselves upon it. It can change us and give us back the good life that sin and the devil took from us (Hebrews 4:12).

"Your word is truth." John 17:17

Bibles Like Cell Phones

Wonder what would happen if we treated our Bible like we treat our cell phones?

- What if we carried it around in our purse or pockets?
- What if we turned back to go get it if we forgot it?
- What if we flipped through it several times a day?
- What if we spent an hour or more using it every day?
- What if we used it to receive messages from the text?
- What if we treated it like we couldn't live without it?
- What if we gave it to kids as gifts?
- What if we used it as we traveled?
- What if we used it in case of an emergency?

This is something to make you go . . . "Hmmm . . . where is my Bible?"

Oh, and a few more things . . . unlike our cell phones:

- One Plan fits all
- Unlimited usage
- No roaming charges
- No weak signals, and
- We don't ever have to worry about our Bible being disconnected because **Jesus already paid the bill!**

Prayers and Concerns

- ♦ Lana Cockrum had an esophagus scope and stretch Friday.
- ♦ Lisa Goodnight's father Lloyd Ellis is having health problems.
- ♦ Remember the Deakins and Smith families as they deal with Cadyn having hip surgery Mar. 17 and Tead knee surgery on Mar. 23.
- ♦ Remember those with health issues—Rene Blackburn, Larry Butler, Dale Strong, Aleta Collins, Ruth Strain, Bob Robbins, Coe Hamm.
- ♦ All those battling cancer—Jamie Crisp, Ricky Langston, Lisa Langston, Tiffany Pleasant, Amy Myers, Don Luna, Jim Kirkland, Wayman King, Donna Shipley, Elaine Hunter (Larry's sister), Dawn (Chris Lemburg's sister), Lionel Daugherty, Jana Crisp, Richard Blackburn, Jenny James, Debbie Eslinger, Sharon Fox, Bill Agee, Joy Cutbirth, Dan Hardy.
- ♦ GHCC: Virginia Hambelton, Delphia Holmes. Clifford Lansdown at Hiram Shaddox; Wilbern Uchtman at Brook Haven.
- ♦ Homebound: Vernon James, Steve Siebels, Mary Piepergerdes.

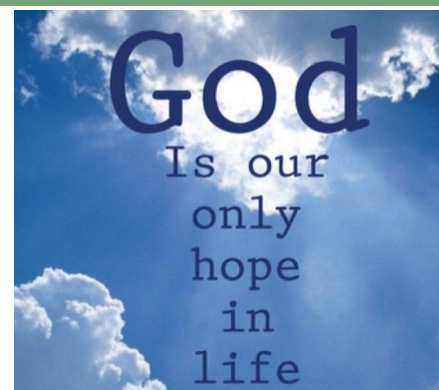
Blessings

- ♦ Tess and Cody Hudson are parents of a baby girl born Wednesday night. Ada Blake was 8 lb. 3 oz. and 21.5" long. Grandparents are Chuck and Amy Myers and great grandparents are Bill and Aleta Collins.

Registry information for Alyssa and Andrew's baby shower March 22:

<https://my.babylist.com/alyssa-eller>

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Community Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday April 4th

If you can donate candy to fill the eggs, please bring it by March 29. We will fill eggs Wednesday, April 1 at 5 p.m.

Birthdays		Anniversaries	
3-6	Melinda Abraham	3-8	Doyle and Peggy Johnson (40)
3-6	Tinker Langston	3-31	Dana and Marsha Crisp
3-11	Lauren Hillhouse	Birthdays	
3-18	Karen Langston	3-22	Renee Hambelton
3-18	D. E. Pleasant		

Pat Kirkland will be serving something delicious for our Wednesday night fellowship supper before classes. Please join us.

Date	Event	Details
Saturday, March 21, 10 a.m.	Ladies' Prayer Brunch	Theodosia Methodist
Sunday, March 22	Basket dinner and baby shower for Alyssa. She's having a girl.	Lunch followed by a baby shower for Alyssa and Andrew Eller—see Melinda.
Saturday, April 4	Easter Egg Hunt	Details will follow
Saturday, April 18, 10 a.m.	Ladies' Prayer Brunch	We are hosting. Jane Wade Reynolds is our speaker.
Saturday, May 2 8:30-1:00	Ladies' Day at Smith Chapel Church	Kara Hambelton Johnson is the speaker.
Saturday, June 13, 9-2	Vacation Bible School	Take a trip to Rainforest Falls

March Worship Assignments

Welcome & Shepherd's Prayer

3-15 David Stevens
3-22 Don Luna
3-29 John Abraham

Communion & Closing Prayer

Tinker Langston
Paul Wade
D. E. Pleasant

Song Leader: Titus Smith
Greeters: Dana and Marsha Crisp

The Family News

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A Place to Call Home

We welcome you and are so glad you could worship with us today.

Schedule of Services

Sunday

9:30 a.m. Bible Classes for All Ages

10:30 a.m. Worship Service: ***God's Gift***

Wednesday

6 p.m. Fellowship Supper

7 p.m. Bible Classes for all ages

Sunday Worship Outline

Welcome and Shepherd's Prayer

Kids Singing up Front

Worship God by Singing Praises

Communion Service

Song before Sermon

Sermon and Invitation

Invitation Song

Closing Song and Prayer

Offering baskets are located at the back.

We are a community of redeemed sinners who are following Jesus Christ, proclaiming the gospel of grace, loving our Lord and one another.

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Preacher

Halbert Smith 417-257-3880

Ministers: Every Member—Each One of Us