

GREATER SALEM BAPTIST CHURCH

GOODNEWSLETTER

MAKING DISCIPLES FOR CHRIST - ONE HEART AT A TIME - ONE FAMILY AT A TIME

FULL-LENGTH MIRROR



Reverend Carl and Mrs. Carmen Jones

My granddaughter recently asked me to install a full-length mirror for her. She wants to see how she looks from head to toe. This got me to thinking about what the apostle James wrote in his epistle:

“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.” James 1:22-25

According to James, the word of God functions like a mirror. A mirror reflects an image of objects placed before it. We use mirrors to help us see ourselves and our blind spots. We use them to help us adjust, change, and correct what is shown to be unsatisfactory or adverse. When we look into God’s word, the Bible, read and hear it, it reveals things about us that we otherwise cannot and do not see. The more we read and hear it the more we see. The Bible shows us both good and bad, right and wrong. It is a lot like a full-length mirror in that it shows us our total spiritual condition. It tells us where the spots and wrinkles (moral flaws and faults) are and what is good and right in our lives. It also tells us what to do about what we see - “Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good.” We are to dislike the things we see that are displeasing and unsatisfactory so much that we stop doing them. And continue doing what is good.

James says when we read the Bible and fail to do what it tells us to do, it is like looking into a mirror and seeing something that we need to do something about; like combing our hair, or wiping away a smudge, or fastening a loose button. We see what needs to be done, but don’t do it.

In order to be at our spiritual best, we must never stop looking into God’s word. We must not ignore or forget what the Bible reveals to us about us and do what it says. If we listen and obey God, He will bless what we do. A great way to live a happy, rewarding, and fulfilled life is to look into God’s perfect law of liberty and follow its instructions.

Rev. Carl Jones

Happy THANKSGIVING! We Have So Much to Thank God For November 23rd

REMINDER: THIS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH, IS ELECTION DAY - VOTE

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November

BIRTHDAYS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 <i>All Saints Day</i>	2	3 Herschel Pitts	4
5 <i>DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS</i> Charles Forbes	6 Yvonne Leslie	7	8	9 Henrietta Newby	10	11 <i>Veterans Day</i> Ra'Nya Handley Monica Thurston Destiny Williams
12	13	14	15 Jayden Mitchell Teewon Payne	16	17 Mary Ann Shepard Louise White	18
19	20	21 Jaden Dennis	22	23 <i>Thanksgiving Day</i> Pearline Ferguson	24	25 Theosious Fuqua Ann Harris
26 <i>Christ the King Sunday</i>	27 Alexis Sanders	28	29	30	31	

Thanksgiving humor (Don't groan too loudly)

Need to lighten the mood at your holiday dinner table? Share some laughter with these Thanksgiving-themed jokes.

Why did the turkey decline dessert?
Because it was stuffed.

Why did the turkey cross the road twice?
To prove he wasn't a chicken.

What smells the best at Thanksgiving dinner?
Your nose.

Why didn't the chef season the turkey?
There wasn't enough thyme.

Why did the turkey leave the band?
People were fighting over the drumsticks.



Special November 2023 Dates

- All Saints' Day, November 1
- Daylight saving time ends, November 5
- Veterans Day, November 11
- Thanksgiving Day, November 23
- Christ the King Sunday November 26

November Sunday School Lessons At-A-Glance



The Leacocks



We salute Deborah and Ricardo Leacock Sr. on their 38th Anniversary. They were married on November 16, 1985.

Likewise, we salute Lynn and Zel Fleming who will celebrate their 31st Anniversary on November 13th



The Flemings

WEEKLY LESSONS

November 5, 2023: Week 10 1-2 Chronicles

The Ark Comes to Jerusalem

1 Chronicles 15: 1-3, 14-16, 25-28

King David was seeking to deliver the Ark of the Covenant to a temporary tent where it would be housed. The ark itself is a symbol of the importance of worship in the lives of God's people.

November 12, 2023: Week 11 Ezra- Nehemiah

Nehemiah: The Captive Cupbearer Rebuilds a Nation

Nehemiah 2: 11-20

People are often contemplative before they make major decisions. How does one or should one react after careful consideration of a major decision? Nehemiah set out to rebuild the wall after praying and surveying the ruins.

November 19, 2023 Week 12 Esther

A Time for Courage

Esther 3:2-3, 5-6a; 4:7-16

Haman was infuriated when Mordecai refused to bow down to him. In retaliation he ordered not only that Mordecai be killed, but all the Jews of the kingdom. Mordecai gave this message to Esther, the queen, who was his cousin/niece, Mordecai told Esther to plead the cause of the Jewish people before the King.

November 26, 2023 Week 13 Job

When Tragedy Occurs

Job 1: 14-15, 18-19, 22; 3:1-3, 11

These Scriptural passages deal with the age-old question, "Why do Christians or good people suffer?" It acknowledges the fact that even God said that Job was "perfect, upright, and eschewed evil" (Job 1:1), However, these facts did not keep Job from being tried in the crucible of suffering.

NOVEMBER HEALTH NOTES FROM THE NURSES MINISTRY

November 2023

FOODS THAT HELP YOUR HEART HEALTH

Ever heard that food can be medicine? It's true . . . what we eat has an effect on our bodies and heart health.

Eat to help lower your cholesterol and blood pressure.

Cut the salt. Too much salt causes fluid to build up in your body which puts extra pressure on your heart. Choose low-or no-sodium foods. Cut back on foods that are cured, smoked or pickled. Limit processed foods because they are often high in sodium.

Eat your grains. Whole grains like bread, oatmeal, popcorn, etc. provide needed fiber.

Load your plate with veggies – Four or five servings per day. They give you fiber, vitamins, and minerals but with few calories or fat and help to control blood pressure.

Don't Forget Fruit . . . Many contain potassium and magnesium, which help lower blood pressure. Eat four to five servings every day.

OTHER FOODS THAT HELP HEART HEALTH:

- Go for lean meats and fish. A good rule is to have no more than 3 ounces of meat at a meal – about the size of an iPhone.
- Add nuts and legumes, but not too much. A handful or less of nuts is enough. Add beans to your salads or soups.
- Cut back on oils and fats. Eating too much fat can cause high cholesterol and heart disease. When cooking, use vegetable oils like olive oil instead of butter.
- Watch the sweets. You don't have to skip all sweets. Try to limit to five or less (1/2 cup servings) a week. Choose fruit instead of high-fat desserts when possible.
- Get enough potassium. Foods like potatoes, sweet potatoes, avocado, bananas and cooked spinach help to lower your blood pressure.

If you're trying to make a change, start by keeping a food diary for a few days. Aim for around 2,000 calories a day.

Ask your doctor or nurse practitioner for advice if needed.

WHY CUCUMBERS ARE GOOD FOR YOU

Hydration – Cucumbers are about 95% water, so they help your body to get the water it needs to work right. A cup of sliced cucumbers has just 16 calories.

Nutrients and antioxidants – These help to protect your cells from damage. They also lessen inflammation that is linked to arthritis and other long-term conditions.

Heart Health – They are good for your heart because of the mix of nutrients and the “seeds” could help to improve your cholesterol numbers.

Keeps you regular – Cucumbers have a fair amount of fiber as well as water which aids in keeping things moving along.

CALL THE COVID-19 HELPLINE: 502-574-8207 IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS

- ◆ Not sure what to do if you test positive? When can you go back to work or school after testing positive or being in close contact of someone who tested positive? Need to find a place to get tested? Want information on the COVID-19 vaccines?
- ◆ Need support to safely stay home if you tested positive or were around someone who was positive?

NEWS FROM THE PEWS



Brittany Taylor Excels!!!

On October 17, 2023, Simmons College of Kentucky held their Awards Ceremony. One of the 50 students honored was Brittany Taylor who earned a 4.0 Grade Point Average (GPA) and thus received the President’s List award.

Brittany is a member of the ADA Society and the Simmons Marching Band. She also happens to be the youngest granddaughter of our own Joy Ford. Sis. Joy is very proud of Brittany’s determination and achievements.

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submitted by Joy Ford

GSBC at St. Martin dePorres

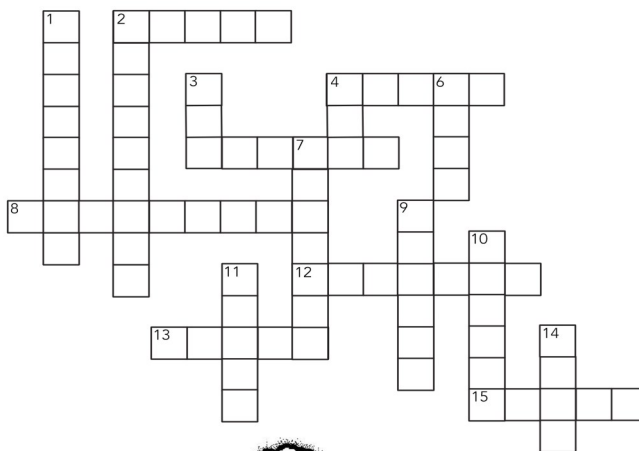
What A Wonderful fellowship was had with the members at St Martin de Porres on Saturday, October 21st during their 2nd Annual Tea Party!!! Theme : Life Is Brew-Tea-Ful with A Cup of Tea !!!

Pictured (L_R) DeBora Mapp, Lynn Fleming, Mona Fleming and Weddie Pitts.

Submitted by Lynn Fleming



Puzzle!



ACROSS

- 2. cause of Job's trouble
- 4. twinkling, heavenly lights
- 6. the Shuhite, a friend (2:11)
- 8. creature of the deep (41:1)
- 12. the Temanite, a friend (2:11)
- 13. sores
- 15. Job had 7,000

DOWN

- 1. the One who ever lives (19:25)
- 2. affliction
- 3. had seven sons
- 4. ocean
- 5. precipitation
- 7. Job had 500
- 9. the Naamathite, a friend (2:11)
- 10. Job had 3,000
- 11. Job's fourth friend (32:2)
- 12. Job had 500 yoke

Down 1. Redeemer, 2. suffering, 3. Job, 4. sea, 5. rain, 7. donkeys, 9. Zophar, 10. camels, 11. Elihu, 12. oxen
 Answers: Across 2. Satan, 4. stars, 6. Bildad, 8. Leivathan, 12. Eliphaz, 13. boils, 15. sheep;

MINISTRIES DAY – 10/15/2023

Being Faithful Stewards of God's Gifts 1 Peter 4:10

MORNING WORSHIP



Sis. Wheat

Deacon Head



Sis. Ellis

Deacon Toney



Sis Wilson & Deacon Austin

Bro. Cox



Pastor William Nelson

Order of Service

Sunday School - 10:00 AM

Worship - 11:15AM

Interim Pastor	Rev. Carl Jones
Worship Leader	Sis. Shannon Wheat
Call to Worship & Invocation	Rev. Jones
Opening Selection {I Love The Lord}	Mass Choir
Scripture Reading	Deacon Gary Head
Intercessory Prayer for the Church	Deacon Head
Welcome	Sis. Veronica Daniel
Ministries Recognition	Sis Wamda Ellis
Tribute to Dea. Marshall Merrill	Dea. James Toney
Recognition of Sis. Ruby Wilson	Dea. Larry Austin
Pastoral Remarks	Rev. Carl Jones
Selection {The Harvest Is Plentiful}	Mass Choir
Tithes, Offering & Prayer	Deacons & Ushers
Introduction of Speaker	Bro. Thadis Cox
Ministry Through Song (Lead Me Lord)	Mass Choir
Preached Word from	Rev. William Nelson
<i>"Addicted to Ministry" 1 Cor. 16:15</i>	Pastor- Greater Saint Mark Baptist
Call to Discipleship	Pastor Jones
Acknowledgements	Sis. M. Duckworth
Benediction	Pulpit



LEAD ME LORD - I WILL FOLLOW

It's hard to take the first step
 When I don't know the way
 Each turn is so uncertain
 I learn to walk by faith
 But You gave me a promise
 That You will never leave
 You will lead and guide me
 Lord I do believe

Sang by GSBC
 Mass Choir under
 the direction of Bro.
 Cleo Joiner during
 Ministries Day
 Services

Chorus

Lead me, Lord, I will follow!
 Lead me, Lord, I will go!
 You have called me, I will answer!
 Lead me, Lord, I will go!

Your plans for me are perfect
 I never need to fear
 For though at times I feel alone
 I know that You are near
 My heart just longs to follow
 I'm willing to obey
 Take my hand and lead me
 I follow all the way

Chorus

Lead me, Lord, I will follow!
 Lead me, Lord, I will go!
 You have called me, I will answer!
 Lead me, Lord, I will go!

(Repeat)

You have called me, I will answer!
 Lead me, Lord, I will go!
 (Repeat)

Refreshments and Fellowship followed the Morning worship
 In the lower level!!!!



UIC Clothes Giveaway

September 23rd 2023, What a beautiful and blessed first day of fall it was for

Unity in the Community's clothes give away. Thank you, Deacon Glover for starting our day out with a wonderful prayer. The Evangelism Ministry was there to minister to the community. Thank you, Deacon Johnson and Deacon Glover. Thank you, Taylor Garrison and Quita Lagannta for beckoning for cars to come join us. We know that Sister Betty Garrison was smiling down to have her granddaughter following in her footsteps serving our community. We had more than enough clothes to serve our community, even Charlie found something he liked. Thank you, Greater Salem, for all your donations and support. Thank you, Yahli and Derrick. Our Youth really came in handy helping us out!!!

We, the members of Unity in the Community, thank God for allowing us to serve and give back in our community. We thank him for such a generous gorgeously beautiful fall day. The clothes that were left over were taken and donated to a nonprofit organization to be distributed for free. If Unity can be of any assistance to anyone, please call us. We are here for you. Give and it will be given unto you. Luke 6:38

UIC beginning the day in prayer!!!



Derrick & Yahli



Taylor and Quita



UIC



Charles Forbes



A Thanksgiving Poem

The sun hath shed its kindly light,
Our harvesting is gladly o'er
Our fields have felt no killing blight,
Our bins are filled with goodly store.

From pestilence, fire, flood, and sword
We have been spared by thy decree,
And now with humble hearts, O Lord,
We come to pay our thanks to thee.

We feel that had our merits been
The measure of thy gifts to us,
We erring children, born of sin,
Might not now be rejoicing thus.

No deed of our hath brought us grace;
When thou were nigh our sight was dull,
We hid in trembling from thy face,
But thou, O God, wert merciful.

Thy mighty hand o'er all the land
Hath still been open to bestow
Those blessings which our wants demand
From heaven, whence all blessings flow.

Thou hast, with ever watchful eye,
Looked down on us with holy care,
And from thy storehouse in the sky
Hast scattered plenty everywhere.

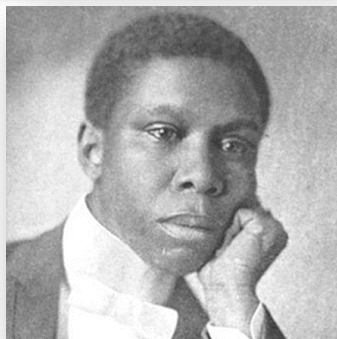
Then lift we up our songs of praise
To thee, O Father, good and kind;
To thee we consecrate our days;
Be thine the temple of each mind.

With incense sweet our thanks ascend;
Before thy works our powers pall;
Though we should strive years without end,
We could not thank thee for them all.

ABOUT Paul Laurence Dunbar

Paul Laurence Dunbar, one of the first African American poets to gain national recognition, was born on June 27, 1872, in Dayton, Ohio, to Joshua and Matilda Murphy Dunbar, both of whom were enslaved in Kentucky prior to their being emancipated. His parents separated shortly after his birth, but Dunbar would draw on their stories of enslavement and plantation life throughout his writing career. By the age of fourteen, Dunbar had poems published in the *Dayton Herald*. While attending Dayton Central High School, where he was the only student of color, Dunbar further distinguished himself by publishing in the high school newspaper, and then by serving as its editor-in-chief. He was also president of the school's literary society and was class poet. In his free time, he read the works of the [Romantic poets](#), including [John Keats](#) and [William Wordsworth](#), as well as the works of the American poets [John Greenleaf Whittier](#) and [Henry Wadsworth Longfellow](#).

Despite being a fine student, Dunbar was financially unable to attend college and took a job as an elevator operator in the Cal-



lahan Building in downtown Dayton. In 1890, he edited the short-lived African American newspaper, the *Dayton Tattler*, printed by his former high school classmate, Orville Wright, of the Wright brothers. Two years later, a former teacher, the poet James Newton Matthews, invited Dunbar to read his poems at a meeting of the Western Association of Writers. Dunbar's poetry impressed the audience to such a degree that the popular poet [James Whitcomb Riley](#) wrote him a letter of encouragement. In 1893, Dunbar self-published his first collection, *Oak and Ivy*. To help pay the publishing costs, he sold the book for a dollar to people riding in his elevator.

Later that year, Dunbar moved to Chicago, hoping to find work at the first World's Fair. He befriended Frederick Douglass, who found him a job as a clerk, and also arranged for Dunbar to read a selection of his poems at the exposition. Douglass said of Dunbar that he was "the most promising young colored man in America."

By 1895, Dunbar's poems began appearing in major national newspapers and magazines, including the *New York Times*. With the help of friends, he published his second collection, *Majors and Minors* (Hadley & Hadley, 1895). The poems that were written in standard English were called "majors," while those in dialect were termed "minors." Although the "major" poems outnumber those written in dialect, it was the dialect poems that brought Dunbar the most attention. The noted novelist and critic William Dean Howells gave a favorable review to the poems in *Harper's Weekly*.

Howells's recognition helped Dunbar gain national and international acclaim, and, in 1897, he embarked on a six-month reading tour of England. He also produced a new collection, *Lyrics of Lowly Life* (Dodd, Mead and Co., 1896). Upon returning to America, Dunbar received a clerkship at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. Shortly thereafter, he married the writer [Alice Ruth Moore](#). (Ed. Note) You can read about her at <https://poets.org/poet/alice-dunbar-nelson>) While living in Washington, Dunbar published a short story collection, *Folks from Dixie* (Dodd, Mead and Co., 1898); a novel entitled *The Uncalled* (Dodd, Mead and Co., 1898); and two more collections of poems—*Lyrics of the Hearthside* (Dodd, Mead and Co., 1899) and *Poems of Cabin and Field* (Dodd, Mead and Co., 1899). He also contributed lyrics to a number of musical reviews.

In 1898, Dunbar's health deteriorated; he believed the dust in the library contributed to his tuberculosis. He left his job to dedicate himself full time to writing and giving readings. Over the next five years, he would produce three more novels and three short story collections. Dunbar separated from Alice Dunbar in 1902 and, soon thereafter, he suffered a nervous breakdown and a bout of pneumonia. Although ill, Dunbar continued to write poems. His collections from this time include *Lyrics of Love and Laughter* (Dodd, Mead and Co., 1903); *Howdy, Howdy, Howdy* (Dodd, Mead and Co., 1905); and *Lyrics of Sunshine and Shadow* (Dodd, Mead and Co., 1903). These books confirmed his position as America's premier Black poet. Dunbar's steadily deteriorating health caused him to return to his mother's home in Dayton, Ohio, where he died on February 9, 1906, at the age of thirty-three.

NOVEMBER 2023 WORSHIP - STUDY - PRAY

Sunday	Monday	Tues- day	Wednesday	Thurs- day	Friday	Saturday
			1 Noon Day Prayer Service 12:00 PM in sanctuary Weekly Bible Studies 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary -Via Facebook Live or via conference call at 978-990-5000 Access Code 7032638 Prayer Service -7 PM in Sanctuary or via 605-472-5736 Access 2239663	2	3	4
5 Sunday School - 10AM In Sanctuary or via conference Call at 978-990-5000 access code 721799# Morning Worship -11:15 AM - In person or on GSBC Facebook Live	6	7	8 Noon Day Prayer Service -in the Sanctuary Weekly Youth* and Adult Bible Studies - Adults 6:00 PM Prayer Service - 7:00 PM In Sanctuary or via 605-472-5736 Access code 2239663	9	10	11 Men's Bible Study 10:15 AM In person or Dial-In at 605-468-8738 Access Code: 5398693 Women's Bible Study 12 Noon in person or dial-in at 605-313-5598 Access code 6671487
12 Sunday School -10:00 Am Morning Worship -11:15 AM Friends & Family Sunday	13	14	15 Noon Day Prayer Service 12:00 PM Weekly Bible Studies 6:00 PM Prayer Service -7 PM	16	17	18 Men's Bible Study 10:15 AM In person or Dial-In
19 Sunday School - 10:00 AM Morning Worship -11:15 AM	20	21	22 Noon Day Prayer Service 12:00 PM Prayer Service -7 PM	23	24	25 Men's Bible Study 10:15 AM In person or Dial-In Women's Bible Study 12 Noon in person or
26 Sunday School -10:00 AM Morning Worship -11:15 AM	27	28	29 Weekly Bible Studies 6:00 PM Prayer Service - 7:00 PM	30	12/01	12/02

Please Note:

- * The Weekly Bible study is led by Interim Pastor Carl Jones
- * The Women's Ministry Bible Study Classes are led by Min. Monica Thomas
- * The Men's Bible Study is led by Bro. Walter Holbrook
- * *Youth Bible Study follows a 6:00 PM Meal prepared for them by the Kitchen Ministry.
- * Sunday Worship services begin at 11:15 AM
- * Tithes and Offerings can be delivered to the church office between 10 AM and 2:00 PM or placed in the Mail slot at any time. VANCO Online Giving can be accessed on the church website, greatersalembaptist.org under the HOME/GIVING heading. You can also call the church at 587-8869 if you'd like someone to pick up your offering.
- * The Lord's Supper is served on the 1st Sunday at the end of morning worship.
- * Paper copies of the GoodNewsLetter are available each first Sunday following the morning worship. Call the church office if you need a copy mailed to you. If you'd like to receive a digital copy please contact the editor via email at hegilmer1@msn.com

WORSHIP WITH US
IN-PERSON
OR
ONLINE

PUZZLE

THANKS-FILLED GIVING

The virtues of gratefulness and generosity are connected. When we're truly thankful for all God provides, we want to sow generous seeds in other people's lives. What will be the harvest?

Directions: Solve the clues associated with each picture. Then write the words in the correct spaces to complete 2 Corinthians 9:10-11, NIV.

This becomes a plant _____



Willing to give _____

The result of planting seeds _____



The act of gratitude _____

Food made from wheat _____



Now he who supplies _____ to the sower and _____ for food will also

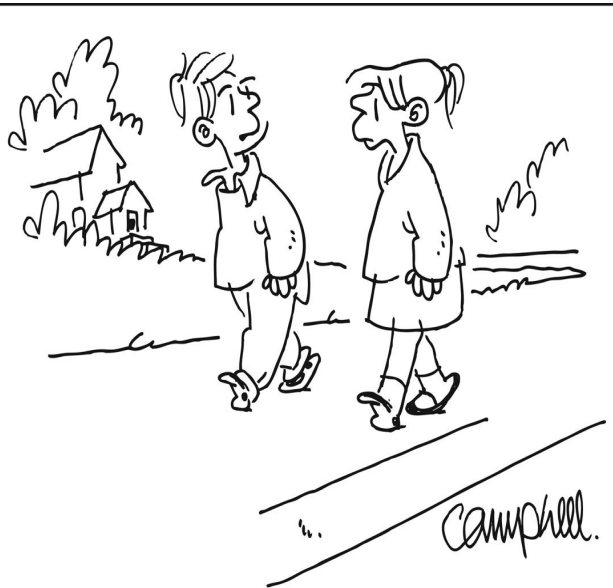
supply and increase your store of _____ and will enlarge the _____

of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way so that you can be

_____ on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result

in _____ to God. 2 Corinthians 9:10-11, NIV

Answers: seed, bread, harvest, generous, thanksgiving



"We're going to my Grandma's on Thursday to pig out ... and also be thankful."

Bible Quiz

Fill in the blank:

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give _____ in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

- A. alms
- B. praise
- C. thanks
- D. offerings



Answer: See 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, NIV

Christian Symbols



ROCK

We call Christ "the Solid Rock," remembering his parable about the wise and foolish builders (Matthew 7:24). Jesus changed his disciple Simon's name to Peter, meaning rock, saying he'd build his church "on this rock" (Matthew 16:18). Although some Christians understand Peter to be the rock-foundation of Christ's church, others interpret the foundation as faith in Christ, which, Jesus said, was revealed to Peter by God.



Handicrafts can spark appreciation for simple items. Weave this basket as a gift.

What you need:

- Paper plate
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Yarn (different colors)

What you do:

1. In the center of the plate, trace something round. Draw 9 lines (evenly spaced) from the circle to the plate's edge.
2. Cut along each line, stopping at the center circle. Trim more of the plate off so the cuts make a gradual V shape.
3. Fold the plate's sides upward to form basket sides. Keep these upright as you weave a bowl-shaped basket.
4. Begin weaving a length of yarn at the circle's base. Hold the end of the yarn in place as you spread the length over and under each side of the plate.
5. Switch colors to make a pattern. Keep the yarn tight as you weave up the sides.
6. To finish, bend down any remaining paper. Leave a tail of yarn and tuck it under a woven portion. Share your craft with a friend!

FROM THE EVANGELISM MINISTRY—REMOVE & SHARE THIS PAGE

KNOW YOUR FUTURE

WHERE WILL YOU GO WHEN YOU DIE???

4 steps- How to know for sure

STEP 1

Have you kept God's Ten Commandments???
(Let's look at a few of them)

"You shall not steal"

Did you ever take something that wasn't yours (even something small)?

"You shall not bear false witness"

Have you ever told a lie?

"You shall not murder" Hating a brother is murder.
Have you ever hated? See *1 John 3:15* **and** *Matthew 5:21-22*

"You shall not commit adultery"

But Jesus said that if you look with lust, you have committed adultery (*Matt. 5:28*) Did you ever lust?

How Did You Do?

"For whosoever shall keep the whole law (10 Commandments) and yet stumble in one point, he is guilty of all." *James 2:10*

"All have sinned and fall short of the Glory of God" *Romans 3:23*

If you died today and God judged you by His 10 Commandments would you be **Guilty** or **Innocent**???
Did you earn heaven or deserve hell?

STEP 2

God Loves You!!!

Although all of us have sinned by breaking God's Commandments, God provided a way for us to be forgiven, to know Him and to have eternal life.

Eternal Life - for You

"For God so loved the world, that He gave his only begotten son, That whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life." *John 3:16*

And Jesus Christ, God's son said: "I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly." *John 10:10*

"2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also." *John 14:2-3*

STEP 3

JESUS CHRIST, GOD'S SON, PAID OUR DEATH PENALTY WHEN HE DIED IN OUR PLACE

"8 But God demonstrated his own love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." *Romans 5:8*

"7 But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanses us from all sin." *1 John 1:7*

THEN JESUS PROVED HE HAD POWER OVER DEATH

Christ died for our sins... He was buried...He was raised on the third day... He appeared to Peter, then to the twelve. After that He appeared to more than five hundred... See *1 Corinthians 15:3-6*

JESUS IS THE ONLY WAY TO GOD THE FATHER

"Jesus said to him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the father, but through me." *John 14:16*

"For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus." *1 Timothy 2:5*

STEP 4

BELIEVE AND TRUST THAT JESUS CHRIST DIED ON THE CROSS FOR YOUR SINS. THEREFORE BY FAITH:

WE MUST REPENT (TURN FROM SINS)

"Unless you repent, you will all likewise perish." *Luke 13:3*

WE MUST RECEIVE CHRIST

"But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe on His name." *John 1:12*

WE MUST LOVE AND OBEY HIM

Jesus said, "If you love me, keep my commandments." *John 14:15*

BY FAITH YOU MUST OPEN THE DOOR OF YOUR HEART AND LIFE BY RECEIVING AND BELIEVING IN HIM

"8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: 9 Not of works, lest any man should boast." *Ephesians 2:8-9*

Would you like to invite Jesus into your life? HERE'S HOW...

Prayer: You can pray this prayer now: The words aren't so important, but you must mean it with all your heart.

Heavenly Father, I admit that I've sinned by breaking your Ten Commandments. I believe that your son, Jesus Christ, died in my place for my sins and rose again. I now open the door of my heart and life to receive Jesus as my Lord and Savior. I turn from my old ways to love, obey and follow Him. I pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Now Tell Others!!! -PROOF-

11 ... God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

12 He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.

13...that ye may know that ye have eternal life..." 1 *John 5:11-13*



Some Evangelism Team Members witnessing during UIC Clothes Giveaway

NEED TO TALK: Contact a member of the GSBC Evangelism team for further details at (502-587-8869)



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