



## Prayer Requests

**Cancer**

**Levi Burke.** 5year old nephew of James' coworker.

**Ralph Jones.** Friend of Lovell's. Leukemia.

**Louie Rakes.** Sandra Lester's brother.

**Penny Shropshire.** Friend of Dave's Daughter

**Nursing Home & Home Bound**

**Anita Hopper.** Health concerns.

**Sharon Teschendorf.** Dementia .

**Eddie Thompson.** Dementia & other health issues.

**Virgil Thompson.** Parkinson's Disease.

**Special Needs**

**Eli Clark.** Special needs.

**Ryan Kendrick.** Special needs.

**Shep Knight.** Special needs.

**Jaydan Patrick.** Special needs.

**Sympathy**

**Family of Barbara Kendrick.** Lisa's mom.

**Family of David Teschendorf.**

**Need for Prayer**

**Robby Eversole.** Heart issues.

**Matthew Hollandsworth.** Health concerns.

**Peter Kice.** Co-worker of James. Health concerns.

**Rita Lawless.** Health concerns.

**Karen Lovell.** Recent surgery.

**Sheryl Newton.** Brad's mom. Health concerns.

**Ernest Parenteau.** Brad's stepdad. Health concerns.

**Carolyn Roop.** Recovering from a fall.

**Randy Underwood.** U.T. blockage.

**Those Not Listed with Long Term Health Concerns.**

**Prayers for our Country.**

**Prayers for the Ukraine.**

**Prayer.**  
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COLOSSIANS 4:2



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### Times We Meet:

#### Sunday:

Bible Study: 10:00 a.m.  
Worship: 11:00 a.m.

#### Thursday:

Ladies Class: 10:00 a.m.  
Mid-Week Online  
Bible Study: 12:30 p.m.

### Office Hours:

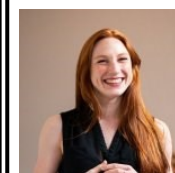
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9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

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## *A Spiritually Productive New Year*

The following is a biblical formula for having a spiritually productive New Year in 2023:

**“H”**old fast to the faith (1 Corinthians 16:13; cf. 2 Timothy 1:13; Titus 1:9)

**“A”**ssemble for worship (Hebrews 10:25; cf. Acts 2:42)

**“P”**ray without ceasing (1 Thessalonians 5:17; cf. Acts 12:5 KJV; Romans 1:9)

**“P”**urify our heart (James 4:8; cf. 1 Peter 1:22; 1 John 3:2-3)

**“Y”**ield not to temptation (*1 Corinthians 10:13*)

**“N”**eglect not doing good (James 4:17; cf. Acts 10:38)

**“E”**xemplify Christ (1 Corinthians 11:1; Gal. 2:20)

**“W”**ork in the vineyard (John 15:1-8; cf. John 4:34-35; Acts 8:4-13; Acts 20:17-27; 1 Corinthians 15:58)

**“Y”**ield ourselves first to God (Matthew 6:33; cf. 2 Corinthians 8:1-5; 1 Timothy 1:15-16)

**“E”**xercise unto godliness (1 Timothy 4:7-8 KJV; Hebrews 5:14)

**“A”**nswer to others (*1 Peter 3:15*)

**“R”**edeem the time (Ephesians 5:15-16; Colossians 4:5)

Brethren, If we will put the above biblically tested formula into practice, we will experience a spiritually productive New Year, doing the Lord's will! (Matthew 7:21).

—Mike Riley



## Rev. 18:1-8



1. "After these things I saw another angel coming down from \_\_, having great \_\_, and the earth was illuminated with his glory."
2. This angel cried mightily, saying, "\_\_ the great is fallen..."
3. "Come out of her, my people, lest you share in her \_\_, and lest you receive of her \_\_. For her sins have reached to heaven, and God has remembered her \_\_."
4. "\_\_ to her just as she \_\_ to you, and repay her double according to her works; in the cup which she has mixed, mix double for her."
5. In how many days would her plagues come?

**Solution:** heaven, authority; Babylon; sins, plagues, iniquities; Render, rendered; one  
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## WORDSEARCH

Baptism of Jesus (Matthew 3:13-17)

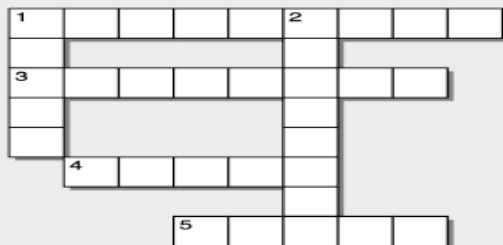
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## Priests Consecrated

Exodus 29

### Across

1. \_\_ oil was to be poured on his head.
3. A wave \_\_.
4. "Take one \_\_ bull and two rams..."
5. Aaron and his sons were to be washed with \_\_.

### Down

1. Smell
2. Time of evening offering.

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## Announcements and Upcoming Events



### JANUARY BIRTHDAY

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### Ladies Digging Deep

Our next Monthly Ladies Digging Deep Class is: Sunday, January 8, 2023.  
3:00 p.m. — 5:00p p.m. in our fellowship hall.



### Singspiration!

The Kannapolis Church of Christ is hosting the 27th Singspiration, January 27-29. Brother Pete Lovell is going to the 28th's session. If you would like to join Pete that day, please see Pete!



### Pizza & Movie Night!

Our next Monthly Movie Night on Feb. 4th will be a Pizza & Movie Night! The fun will start an hour earlier at 5:00 p.m. in our Fellowship Hall. Everyone please bring your favorite Pizzas to share. Candy and Popcorn are provided. Hope to see you there!

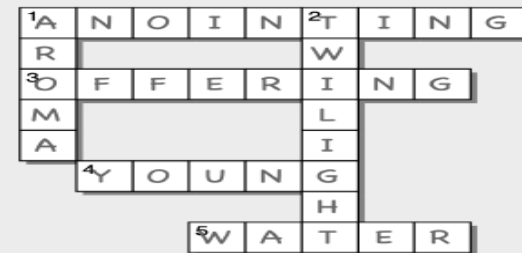


## WORDSEARCH

Solution: Baptism of Jesus

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### What is Your Focus?

A New Year is before us. What your heart is focused on is eternally important. Jesus said, “For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also (Matthew 6:21). Are you passionate to have a heart like Jesus, and to focus on what He was focused on? A heart like Jesus is a pure heart. “Blessed are the pure in heart, For they shall see God” (Matthew 5:8). Purity of heart requires patience, decency, and discretion. A heart like Jesus is meek and humble. “Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls” (Matthew 11:29). Christians must take heart or take courage (John 16:33). Life has difficulties and where you heart is will determine your reaction. A strong spiritual heart will get you through life and prepare you to be with God eternally. Is your heart right with God and loving toward man?

—Charles Box



### And Where Are Your Parents?

Prosecutors in Knox county Tennessee decided to do something about a numbers of students that had been chronically absent from school. Under Tennessee law, parents can be held responsible for their children’s missed days. So they sent a letter to 582 parents of habitually truant students telling of a meeting they could attend to learn about the law and avoid being arrested. But 241 parents, 40 percent of those contacted, failed to show up! It is not hard to figure out why their children don’t show up to school either. The Bible tells us in Proverbs 22:6, “Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.” Part of that training is setting an example to follow. A child that is told proper behavior but never sees it modeled will never put that behavior into practice. Children will listen to what we say but will do what they see us do.

—Barry Haynes



### Spiritual Bucket List

Creating the proverbial “bucket list’ can be a lot of fun. Coming up with a list of things you would like to do one day in the not-too-distant future is also a good way to take the first step in accomplishing your goals.

As disciples of Jesus Christ, we are expected to be growing (1 Peter 2:2; 2 Peter 3:18). We are also expected to be a positive influence on those around us, pointing people toward God (Matthew 5:13-16).

In light of these things, it may be helpful to create some sort of “spiritual bucket list.” A list of things you know you should be doing as you mature in the faith.

Here are a few suggestions to help you get started:

**Teach Someone.** Have a real Bible study where you sit down, open Bibles all around, and you present the life-saving message of the Gospel (Matt. 28:19; 2 Tim. 2:2).

**Reconcile a broken relationship.** For many of us, there is at least one person out there that needs to hear, “please forgive me” from you (Rom 12:18).

**Really study on your own.** Away from the church building, pick a book of the Bible or a topic and really dive in and learn (1 Tim. 2:15).

**Memorize.** Maybe favorite passages or chapters, maybe several verses that pertain to a certain subject (for example, numerous verses deal with forgiveness).

**Determine to lead.** Men, if you never lead a public prayer, determine to do so. Same goes with leading singing, teaching a Bible class, or even presenting a lesson before the congregation.

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**Go on a Mission Trip.** We go to places near & far, be a part of that! Put into practice the things you have learned. Nearly everyone I know who has gone on such a trip such as this always says that it made a significant impact on their lives.

**Go to more funerals.** People are in desperate need when they are grieving. Few things help as much as knowing you are loved when your heart is broken (Rom. 12:5).

**Bake more casseroles and cakes.** Go to more fellowship meals and spend time with your brothers and sisters in Christ. Encourage those who are sick or hurting in any way.

You could add many more. But remember: You are not too old! Today is the day! Get started!  
—*Bart Warren*




### Stop Worrying and Hurrying

In Lewis Carrol’s classic *Alice’s Adventures In Wonderland* we see Alice confronting the white rabbit. The rabbit scurries quickly by proclaiming, “Oh dear! Oh dear! I shall be too late!” In this statement we have two of the greatest problems of people today: worry and hurry.

We live in a world of uncertainty and most people’s reaction is to excessively worry. We also live in a fast-paced world in which most think they must always be in a hurry just to keep up. But living in these ways makes our lives unsettled and miserable.

When Korah wrote the 46th Psalm, he addressed the solution to both of these problems. He opened by stating, “God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear...” (v.1-2, and may I add “nor worry”). The more we trust in God and that He is strong and in control, we will fear and worry less.




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**“Worrying” Continued from Page 4...**

He ends the Psalm by saying, “Be still, and know that I am God...God...is our refuge” (v.10-11). It is important to stop from time to time and reflect upon God. Take some time to meditate upon the Scriptures, contemplate God’s awesomeness, and soak in His love. It is then that we will appreciate God more and more and not see the need to be in such a frantic pace.

With God we can properly balance our mind and life. It is then that we will see that we do not need to worry or hurry so much – maybe even at all!  
—*Edd Sterchi*



### How Shall We Enter the New Year?

The year 2023 is upon us. How shall we approach it? No two people enter into the new year with exactly the same emotions. Some enter with fear and reluctance while others enter with optimism and enthusiasm. None of us can look into the future, for God in his great mercy and wisdom has kept the future veiled from our eyes. Thus, we must make our entrance into 2023 in faith. Paul stated,”For we walk by faith, not by sight” (2 Corinthians 5:7).

Looking to the future will be governed by the way we look at the present. Looking around us today we must not permit the successes or the failures of the past to defeat victorious living in the here and now. Neither must we allow the fear of the future to rob us of contentment today. The prayer of serenity should express our attitude: “God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; the courage to change the things I can; and the wisdom to know the difference.”

Today is all we have. The past is gone. The future never comes because it is always made up of todays. Thus, to insure that all of our todays are worthwhile we must be people of faith. The writer of Proverbs admonishes us: “Trust in the Lord with all your heart; and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths” (Proverbs 3:5-6). The psalmist wrote: “This is the day the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it” (Psalms 118:24).  
—*Roger Massey*