

Church News

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Wednesday, July 25 - 6-8:30pm

Irvine Free Methodist Bible School

The Irvine Free Methodist Church concludes their Vacation Bible School on Wednesday night, July 25th, 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

We will be enjoying "splashing" through Bible Stories, Crafts, Games, Snacks, Skits and Puppetry!

Imagine going down the "coolness" of the river in a raft, the exhilaration, the cooperation of a team, using their

oars together navigating that river. COME ALL, to experience the FUN we are having at "SPLASH CANYON" - God's Promise on Life's Wild Ride!!!

On Wednesday night, we will have multiple inflatables.

We look forward to seeing, and welcome EVERYONE!

Please call 606-531-0465, for more information or questions.

Thru Friday, July 27 @ 6:30pm

VBS at Ivory Hill Baptist Church

Ivory Hill Baptist Church is having Vacation Bible School Wednesday through Friday, July 27, from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

"Camp Moose on The Loose" is the theme. There are

classes for all ages, including Bible Study, music, crafts, and refreshments.

Pastor Mike Hetrick and congregation invite everyone to attend.

Sunday-Wednesday, July 28 - Aug. 1

Revival at Stacy Lane Pentecostal

Stacy Lane Community Pentecostal Church of God will be in revival, Saturday, July 28th through Wednesday, August 1st, starting at 7:00 p.m. Evangelist will be Kelly

Blankenship with the Faith in Grace Singers.

Everyone come out and let the Good Lord to help you. For more information, call 606-975-8209.

Saturday, July 28th - 12:00 Noon - 3pm

Panola Baptist Bible School

Panola Baptist Church at Waco, would like to invite everyone to their one-day Vacation Bible School on Saturday, July 28, 2018, 12:00 Noon un-

til 3:00 p.m.

The theme is "Game On" and there will be classes for everyone. Refreshments will be available. Everyone welcome.

Sunday, July 29th @ 11:00am

Calvary Baptist hosts Tim Lovelace

Calvary Baptist Church hosts Tim Lovelace on Sunday, July 29, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

Lovelace is a nationally sought after storyteller and musician. Tim has been described as the most versatile comedian on stage today. His award-winning musical tal-

ents, coupled with his crystal clean humor, have people of all ages laughing their ribs loose! He is also the host of the Music City Show on RFD-TV.

Everyone is invited. A love offering will be collected. For more information, call 606-723-2416.

Sunday, July 29th @ 6:00pm

Gospel Singing at Wms. Memorial

Williams Memorial Baptist Church on Poplar Street in Ravenna, will be having a Gospel Singing on Sunday evening, July 29, 2018, start-

ing at 6:00 p.m.

The Hall Family will be the featured singers. There will be refreshments afterwards and everyone is welcome.

Sunday, July 29th @ 6pm

Salem Baptist Praise at the Pavilion

Salem Baptist Church at Spout Springs in Estill County invites everyone to Praise at the Pavilion, an evening of worship and praise at our outdoor pavilion.

The service starts at 6 p.m., Sunday evening, July 29, with

Bo Warren, Worship Pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church in Lexington, and Phillip Smith, Minister of Music at Boone's Creek Baptist Church in Lexington.

Bring a lawn chair and enjoy an evening with us.

Thursday, August 2nd - 7:30am-2:30pm

St. Elizabeth Basement Sale

The St. Elizabeth Church, 322 5th Street in Ravenna, will be having its August Basement Sale on Thursday, August 2, 2018, from 7:30

a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

There will be clothing for all the family, household items and much more. Everyone is welcome.

Friday & Saturday, August 3rd & 4th

Missionary Ladies Yard Sale

The Missionary Ladies from the Irvine First Church of God will be having a yard sale at the church fellowship

building behind the church on Friday, August 3rd from 9 to 3 and Saturday, August 4th from 9 to 2. Hope to see you there!

Sunday, August 5th @ 10:30am

"Help the Drug Addicted" Service

Epperson First Church of God on Irvine Road (KY-89) in Clark County, will be having a special service to help the "Drug Addicted" on Sunday, August 5, 2018, starting at 10:30 a.m.

Speaking will be Sergeant Bret Kirkland of the Kentucky

State Police. Kentucky State Representative James Tipton, and Kelli Schooler for the Kelli Schooler Former Drug Users.

Everyone is welcome to this very important service. Call (859) 398-0020 for more information.

What is True Membership?

by **BOB CASEY**, preacher
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In 1 Corinthians 12:12, the Apostle Paul wrote, "For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ." He goes on to say in 13-14, "For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit. For the body is not one member, but many."

Today, we will examine the question, "What is required of one to become a member of the church that you can read about in the Bible?" In the Book of Colossians, 1:13-24, Paul calls the church, "the kingdom of his dear Son" (verse 13) and says "he is the head of the body, the church" (verse 18); then in verse 24, he again calls the body, which is "the church." So today, I am not talking about the churches of men, with unscriptural names, rules of membership.

Did you hear on the news this week about the preacher who sent out many letters to the names on the membership roll who had not been attending. Some have said, "Well, the very audacity of that man who did this awful thing. Who does he think he is?" Well, I believe I know who he is. He is a man that is called a pastor of a man-made installation. He is standing alone as the leader, guide; boss, even.

This is not the Church that you can read about in the Bible. In Acts 14:23, "And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed." Again, in Ephesians 4:11-12, "And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:"

Notice that the offices of Apostles and the Prophets have passed away with the completing of the New Testament scriptures. 1 Corinthians 13 confirms this. But the responsibilities of the evangelist, which are the preachers, and the offices of the pastors, which are the elders, more than one in all the churches in the Bible; and then the teachers of the Scriptures.

This is the only structure that the Bible teaches for the building up of the Lord's church. This man in the news that has sent out all those letters threatening to take their names off the membership rolls is in trouble because he is a single-man show. This would not be handled this way in the church that one can read about in the Bible. Notice in Acts 20:17, "And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church." Then, after he finished his testimony unto them, he gave them this charge in verse 28, "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood."

What is required to become known as a member of the church that you read about in the New Testament. First of all, one has to hear the truth (See John 5:25 and Colossians 2:13). Sinners have to be informed about sin, judgment, salvation. Then, one must exercise his freedom of will by believing in what he has heard about Jesus. In John 8:24, Jesus said, "... if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins." In Luke 13:1-5, Jesus said to the unbelieving Jews, "except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Next, our Lord calls us to publicly confess our faith in Jesus (Luke 12:8-9 and Matthew 20:31-32). To finish our obedience in conversion, we are to be baptized in enough water to cover us (See Acts 2:38 and Romans 6:4). Notice Colossians 2:12 says that this is the "operation of God."

Conclusion: so one cannot join the church in the Bible; only the Lord adds to the church and in Acts 2:45, see if I represent the truth.

Sincerely, Bob Casey, (1-859-369-4165), local

seeds of Hope



Whenever we go to a physician for care we are normally greeted by someone who takes our "vital signs" and then asks us to describe our "symptoms" - our reason for wanting to talk with a physician. These symptoms or vital signs are indicators - early warning signs of a deeper or more serious condition that describe an illness that requires some sort of treatment.

One of the gifts that we have through the grace and mercy of God is His love that surrounds us and His arms that protect us. "He guards the lives of His faithful," wrote the Psalmist, "and delivers them from the hand of the wicked." Our God is there to prevent the "illnesses" caused by sin that could destroy us who are faithful

to Him.

One of the most influential saints of God was C. I. Scofield. He is the author of Scofield Study Bible - no doubt one of the most widely used and perhaps more influential than any other study Bible ever published.

"Shortly after my conversion," he once wrote, "I saw a picture of Daniel in the den of lions. His hands were behind him and the lions were circling him. The one thing I was in fear of was that I might go back to my sins. But as I stood before that picture, a great hope and faith came into my heart. I said, 'Why these lions are all about me - my old habits and sins - the God that shut the mouths of the lions for Daniel can shut them for me.' And He did!"

God promises that He will guard us and guide us, protect us and defend us and deliver us from the "hand of the wicked." But only if we are faithful to Him!

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BIBLE WORD SEARCH

by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

PSALM 23:5

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

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God's Way

by Mabel Tipton
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You can ask the question, "Who is God?" or "Where did He come from?" The Bible is the only place where the answers to these questions can be found. I would like to share with you what I have found in the Bible. Yes, God is Real!

God is a spirit. "God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." (John 4: 24) He is not made of flesh, blood, bones, or physical matter. He is invisible to the human eye unless He chooses to reveal Himself in some way. (John 1:18). God has individuality, rationality, personality. He is self-existent, eternal, and unchanging. He is omnipresent (everywhere) He is omniscient (all knowing and all wise), and He is omnipotent (all powerful).

God's moral nature includes holiness, justice and righteousness, mercy and grace, love, faithfulness, truth and goodness. He is absolutely perfect in every way. 1 John 4:16 says "God is love;" no other religion identifies God so totally with love.

Since God is Holy, He cannot have fellowship with sin. GOD'S justice demands punishment for sin. But in His love and mercy, He gave His son to meet the requirements of His justice and yet provide salvation for repentant sinners. Those who reject His gracious provision of salvation will face His capitol judgment. God loves the sinner, but His holy nature will not allow Him to love, condone or ignore sin.

Often God is referred to as plural. This is not so. God is absolutely an indivisible one. "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:" (Deuteronomy 6: 4)

His eternal nature contains no essential distinctions or divisions. All names and titles of Deity such as, God, Jehovah, Lord, Father, Word and Holy Spirit refer to the one and same single being. Any plurality associated with God is only a plurality of attributes, titles, roles, manifestations, modes of activities or relationships to man. Many passages emphasize God's oneness. (Isaiah 42:8; 43:10-11; 44:6-8 and 24; 45:22-23; 46:6-9; Mark 12:28-30; Galatians 3:20; I Timothy 2:5; James 2:19, to name a few)

The title Father describes God's roles as Father of creation, Father of the only begotten son, and Father of the born-again believer. (Duet. 32:6; Mal. 2:10). The title Son refers to God coming in the flesh, for the baby Jesus was literally conceived by the Holy Spirit who was literally His Father (Matt. 1:18-20; Luke 1:35). The title of Holy Spirit identifies the fundamental character of God's nature. Holiness forms the basis of His moral attributes, while spirituality is the basis of His normal attributes. The Holy Spirit is specifically God in activity, particularly anointing, regenerating, and indwelling man -- works that God can do because He is a Spirit (Gen. 1:2; Acts 1:5-8).

These terms can also be understood in God's revelation to man: Father refers to God in a family relationship to man; Son refers to God incarnate; and Spirit refers to God in activity. For example, one man can have three significant relationships or functions - such as administrator, teacher, and counselor - and yet be one person in every sense. God is not defined by or limited to an essential "threeness". The Bible nowhere speaks of God as "trinity" or as "three persons" but often calls Him The Holy One.

The title of Word relates to God's self expression or self revelation. The Word is God Himself (John 1:1), particularly His thoughts, mind, reasoning, or plan. In the person of Jesus Christ, "the Word was made flesh," (John 1:14) "God was manifest in the flesh" (I Tim. 3:16).

I encourage everyone reading this to get your Bible and see for yourself.