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Those Privileged to Serve: AM

Announcements: Dewayne McCormick Song Leader: John Bradford Opening Prayer: Mike Steele Lord's Table: Ross Ramsay Scripture Reading: Austin McCullough Sermon: Joseph Adams Closing Prayer: Randel Simmons Greeter: Roberta Wheeler

<u>PM</u>

Song Leader: Ed Burdick Opening Prayer: Jonathan Adams Sermon: Joseph Adams Closing Prayer: Larry Wheeler

Wednesday Speaker: Benjamin Adams

Sick-Prayer list (as of Wed. P.M.)

Billy Danbert-surgery; Eva Asselstine-Pneumonia; Ed Burdick-work accident; Milt Brown-heart; Kevin Taylor-growth; Autumn-surgery; Lynn Sexton-prayers; Joe Ellis-infection; Helen Jones-Hip; Abby-leukemia; Larry Sipley-prayers; Penny Jones-Fall; Hazel Hayes-Sickness; Tammy Plank-Neck; Dewayne McCormick-Bladder Cancer; Sandy Petty-Colon Cancer; Arnold Family;

Military Prayer List

Military: Robert Bradford; Case Maulden; Bryan Hammond; Richard Harris; Rett Lambert; Dillon Morris; Phillip Toole, David Brogan III: James McDonough. **Please pray for our military and their families.**

Permanent Prayer List

Bill Berryhill; Hazel Hayes; Charity Fountain; Josephine Arnold; Jennifer Bradford; Sandra Adkison; Penny Jones; Carol Probost; Bill Holladay; Archie Rogers; Spence Berryhill; Michael Rose; Sam Brown; Tim Maulden's brother; Charles Snider; Joe Adkison. *Welcome*—to each of our visitors here today. We appreciate your taking the time to stop by and hope you will come again to worship with us. You honor us with your presence, and we would love to answer any questions you may have.

Special welcome and grateful thanks to our veterans attending; you are among friends.

Sunday's Sermons

AM: Into the Wilderness

PM: Psalm 119

12/29/24	Building	Zoom	Total
AM BC	31	3	34
AM W	51	6	57
PM W	24	5	29
Wed BC	N/A	N/A	N/A

Micah 6:8 "He has shown you, O man, what is good; And what does the Lord require of you But to do justly, To love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God?"

Local Evangelistic Efforts:

-Compassion Cards: Sundays 5pm

-House to House/Heart to Heart

-Walton County Fair

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<u>Times of Services</u> Sunday Morning Bible Class....9:00 am Sunday Morning Worship10:00 am Evening Worship......6:00 pm Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 pm Zoom Meeting ID: 659 336 9317 Password:121643

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Call it Joy

We begin a New Year. A Joyous Occasion a New Year can be. We often feel we can start the year off fresh, we can make changes in our lives to get better and do better. One thing I would really like us to think about is "what can I do to bring joy this year".

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and hid; and for **joy** over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." Matthew 13:44

To begin, Joy is not just a feeling we get of extreme happiness. Joy is closely related to gladness and happiness, although joy is more a state of being than an emotion, a result of choice. In the Old Testament, joy is closely related to victory over one's enemies. For example, in 1 Sam 18:6 when David returned from killing the Philistine, he was met with joy and dancing

Furthermore, the prophets speak of joy, both its being taken away on account of exile (Ezek 24:25; Joel 1:12) and of the joy that will return when the people are restored. In the New Testament, "joy" is still used for victory, as shown by the disciples returning with joy since even the evil spirits listened to them (Luke 10:17). However, the victory focuses more on salvation (Luke 15:7)

You see, Jesus defeated Satan, joy is expressed because it happens. When a human being puts on Christ, Satan is defeated again. We are now part of the winning team. Every day when we choose God as we walk in Christ, evil spirits are defeated. When we gather together with the Saints, evil spirits are defeated. We express Joy (Worship) because of what God has done in Christ. We worship because Satan has been defeated, we worship because evil spirits are defeated in our lives. We express joy because we found the hidden treasure in the field, and we give Him our all because He gave His all for us at that cross of Calvary.

How can I bring Joy this year? First and Foremost, gather with the Saints and Worship, every Sunday Morning and Evening and Wednesday Nights. Have those personal worship moments, where you break out in Song because how could you not because of what He has done. Joy is not an emotion but a result of choice, it is an expression of all the good God has done. Satan is defeated!

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What's Happening at College Avenue Mark Your Calenders!

Potluck

This Sunday is our Monthly Potluck after services, we would love for everyone to stay and fellowship with us.

• Lads to Leaders Meeting

Today right after Potluck we are having a Lad's to Leaders meeting. We will discuss different things about convention and what we will be doing this year. Anyone that is interested in learning more and signing up please plan on staying.

• Wednesday Night Meal Sign-up

Don't forget to sign-up for Wednesday night meal in the foyer.

• Family Game Night

Our next Family Game Night is Thursday January 9th starting at 6:30PM, please bring a dessert to share as we fellowship together.

• Ladies Day

Our Ladies Day will be on Saturday the January 25th starting at 9AM - 1PM. The theme is the Fruit of the Spirit and Lunch will be served. Please see Shirley Steele to RSVP or if you would like to help.

• Emerald Beach Ladies Day

Emerald Beach in Panama City Beach is hosting a Ladies day on February 15th starting at 9AM.Speaker is Cindy Colley and the theme is "Craving Protein?" See Flyer in the Foyer for more info!

• Yes Weekend

The Yes Weekend theme for 2025 is, "7 Truths" Mark your calenders for February 21st-23rd 2025. More information will come soon.

Prayer Updates:

Please pray for us as we head into a new year as we

spread the Gospel, edify one another, and grow together as One congregation.

Stephanie's mom fell and had to go to the hospital last week please pray for her and her family.

