The Palm Beaches







December 19, 2021

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Monday—Thursday

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TIME OF SERVICES:

Sunday Bible Study: 9:00am

Sunday Worship: 10:00am

Sunday Evening Worship: 6:00pm

Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00pm

If you are interested in a home Bible study or would like a free Bible correspondence course with which to study by mail, please inform the minister or of the men leading worship services We are glad you are here:

Is the Devil Responsible for our Sins?

Satan desires one thing, which is the spiritual demise of all humanity. He wants every soul to end up in hell with him (Mat. 25:41). Satan accomplishes his mission by getting people to live their lives in sin. Satan "entered in" Judas and caused him to betray the Lord (Jn. 13:27; 18:1-5). Satan "filled' Ananias' heart to lie to the Holy Spirit (Acts 5:3). Satan "deceived" Eve to disobey the Lord (1 Tim. 2:14; Gen. 3:1-6). Jesus told Peter that "Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat. But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not" (Lk. 22:31-32). The devil is always busy trying to "devour" people with sin (1 Pet. 5:8; 1 Jn. 3:8; Jn. 8:44; 2 Cor. 2:11). So when we sin, is the devil responsible for our transgressions because he caused us to do it? The devil does tempt us to sin. He even tried to tempt Jesus to sin (Mat. 4:1-11; Luke 4:1-13). However, if the devil is responsible for our sins, then why will we one day be held accountable for them (2 Cor. 5:10; Rom. 14:12; Jn. 5:28-29; Rev 20:11-12)? It is because the devil cannot "make" us do anything. He only plays a part in our sin by dangling the carrot. James said, "Every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin.." (1:14-15). The devil only tempts, and it is we who either resist or transgress. This is why God "will render to every man according to his deeds" (Rom. 2:6). We have the ability through Christ (Eph. 6:1); (Phil. 4:13) and the responsibility as Christians to "Resist the devil, and he will flee from you" (Jam. 4:7). After resisting, the devil leaves "for a season" (a while, but never for good) (Lk. 4:13). Nevertheless, we have "endured' that temptation to sin (Jas 1:12). Furthermore, with every temptation we are given all the help necessary to withstand the devil; as God will not allow any temptation beyond our individual power to resist, and also gives each and every one of us a faithful way out (1 Cor 10:13). So when we give in to sin, it is our fault!

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WELCOME!

Welcome to the services of the church of Christ of the Palm Beaches: You are our honored guest:

We are a congregation of the church of which you can read in the Bible. We strive to do Bible things in Bible ways and to call Bible things by Bible names; to be Christians and Christians only. It is our goal to simply and plainly preach and teach New Testament Christianity.

You will find our worship simple and according to the New Testament pattern. We worship the same way that Peter, Paul, and John worshipped—In spirit and in truth (John 4:24).

Our Headquarters is in heaven, our Creed is Christ and our book is the Bible. The Bible only will make Christians only and that is our plea.

We certainly hope that all we do will be encouraging and uplifting to you. Please take a moment to fill out a visitors' card located in the pew in front of you and place it in the card holder at the end of the pew.



The Christian and the World

Do you know what you look like when you dress like the world? The world. Do you know what you sound like when you speak like the world? The world. Do you know what you "smell" like when you commune with the world? The world. Do you know what you become like when you act like the world? The world. Note the following combined verses from the Bible concerning the Christian's relationship to the world and worldly things, and consider the way you dress, speak, associate, and act: "Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God...Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him...And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever...For whatever is born of God overcomes the world...But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world...Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this:...to keep oneself unspotted from the world...that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world." (Verses in order of wording: Jas. 4:4; 1 John 2:15, 17; 1 John 5:4; Gal. 6:14; Jas. 1:27; Phil. 2:15) Christians are to be separate from the world and her lost ways. "Therefore 'Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you." (1 Cor. 6:17).

Yes, we are in the world, but we should never be of the world.

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PRIVILEDGED TO SERVE

Sunday Morning Worship

SONG LEADER: Norman Delong

OPENING PRAYER/ SCRIPTURE

READING: Richard Gathright

PRESIDING: Ron Cullom

SERVING: Richard Gray, Chuck

Canteen, Tom Ramsey & Javon

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CLOSING PRAYER: Brett Gray

Sunday Evening Worship

SONG LEADER: Norman Delong

OPENING PRAYER/SCRIPTURE

READING: Jim Bowman

PRESIDING: Joe Lewis

SERVING: Gary Lester

CLOSING PRAYER: Chuck

Canteen

Wednesday Bible Study

SONG LEADER: Tom Ramsey

OPENING PRAYER: Heath Johnson

CLOSING PRAYER: Chuck Canteen



Robin Landen, is still recovering from her stroke.

Kay Vaughn, is doing well, and continues to need our prayers.

Jon Jordan, needs our prayers.

Monica Sinclair, is doing well, and continues to need our prayers.

Helen Quintero, had her surgery and is recovering.

Family of COCOPB Members

Penny Hinton, Michelle Hinton's mother, is struggling with her health.

Laverne Byzek, John Smith's sister, continues to need our prayers.

Hazel Voight, Nancy Sparks' sister, is in hospice care and is suffering with bed sores.

Tony Flegert, Maureen machan's son in-law, is in the hospital.

David Echeverria, Carlos Echeverria's brother, is having difficulties and need's prayers.

Charles Maden, Nancy Sparks brother, is home from rehab.

Family of Justin Ford, Justin Ford's uncle Doni Hill, passed away.

Friends of COCOPB Members

Tina Wagner, Continues to need our prayers.

COCOPB Members Traveling

Sterling Fredrick (NY)

Shut-ins

Lena Morris Jack Lee







THE PREACHER'S FILES



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"If you are too busy to pray, you are too busy!."

-John Chowning

FOOD FOR THOUGHT:

There are: 163,898 deaths per day. 6,829 deaths per hour. 114 deaths per minute.

1.90 deaths per second.

How many are prepared for eternity?









PEARLS FROM PROVERBS

"He that answereth a matter before he neareth it, it is folly and shame unto him."

Prov. 18:13



ginosko (Verb). Gr. γινώσκω

"To learn to know, come to know, get a knowlege of, understand."

Used 223 times in the new testament ginosko is translated "to know." This word is used when Christ stated "I never knew (ginosko) you, deport from me" (Matt. 7:23). A frightening thought that one can believe they are doing the Lord's will, but he will say "I never even began to know you!"



WEEKLY BIBLE READING

| Dec. 19th | Psalms 94-98 | Rom. 5:12-21 |
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| 20 th | 99-102 | 6:1-14 |
| 21st | 103-104 | 6:15-7:6 |
| 22nd | 105-106 | 7:7-25 |
| 23rd | 107-108 | 8:1-17 |
| 24th | 109-112 | 8:18-39 |
| 25th | 113-117 | 9:1-29 |

By following this schedule, you will be able to read the entire

Bible in a year.









NEWS & NOTES









BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES









GARY LESTER 1217

ROBERTO NARANJO POLLARD 12/10

JIM BOWMAN 12/12

GFYDI VASQUESZ 12/20

RANDY CRAMBLET 12/28





NONE





ATTENDANCE Dec.12th

Sun. Bible Study: 24

Sun. A.M. 54

Sun. P.M. 26

Wed. Bible Study: 19

Contribution: N/A

Weekly Budget: \$4,147.00

Variance: N/A

TODAY'S SERMONS AM: "HAPPY NEW YEAR" PM:"QUESTIONS & ANSWERS"



Please do not take any pantry items out of the donation bin! Please see Maureen Machan if you need assistance with the pantry! Thank you.



This years Minister and Mocha is officially over! If you haven't gotten a chance to sign up, look for the new sign up sheets coming in January of next year!!



Tonight we will be having a Q&A! There are question slips on the table in the foyer. Please give your finished question slips to Heath or Halle.



We want to give our deepest sympathy to the family of Rick Reitano, in the passing of his mother Anna Parish.



The newest newsletter from one of our missionaries, brother Ronnie Gootam in Kakinada India, is on the bulletin board in the foyer!!



The pantry is in need of: beef stew, ramen soup, ravioli, canned ham, solid white tuna, toiletries such as toothpaste, brushes, hand soap, shampoo, etc. No canned vegetables at this time please! There's a donation bin located in the foyer. Thank you all for your help!



Dead?

A preacher found himself working hard with a struggling congregation in the west, Some of the members told him that they were surprised that he have ever come there—that it was a dead congregation. Then one day the community was astonished when they read a funeral notice in the paper. The church had died, and the funeral service was to be held on Wednesday of that week at 7:45 PM. Curious, the whole community flocked out to the service. There was funeral music. There was a funeral sermon in which the minister told of all the good the church had done in the distant past. There was an open casket up near the pulpit. Following the service, the minister invited the people to file by the casket and view the remains of the dead church. As the people filed by, they quickly turned away with red faces. What had they seen that made their faces turn red? A mirror had been placed in the bottom of the casket and as they peered into the casket they saw themselves. They were the dead church.

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GOSPEL PLAN OF SALVATION

Hear God's Word Romans 10:17

Believe the Gospel

John 20:30-31

Repent of Your Sins

Luke 13:3

Confess Faith in Jesus

Romans 10:9-10

Be Baptized

Acts 2:38

Live Faithfully

Revelation 2:10



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