



MESSENGER

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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 any of the men leading worship services. We are glad you are here!

Is Life Like a Box of Chocolates?

In the movie “Forrest Gump,” Forrest meets a nurse while sitting on a park bench. He asks her if she would like a piece of chocolate from his box of chocolates. She doesn’t respond. He then tells her, “My mama always said that life is like a box of chocolates; you never know what you’re gonna’ get.” Was Forrest Gump’s mama right? Is life like a box of chocolates? In some aspects, it is — for we never know what we’re gonna’ get. But from the apostle Paul’s perspective, life was more like a box of challenges — some presenting greater degrees of challenge than others. In 2 Corinthians 11:23-28, Paul presents a list of challenges that confronted him, but he was determined to endure them all for Christ’s sake (2 Corinthians 12:10). He knew that the trials and tribulations he endured would only last for a moment of time in comparison to the joys that he would experience in eternity (Philippians 4:4; cf. Romans 12:12; 1 Thessalonians 5:16; 1 Peter 4:12-13). In fact, he classified them as a “light affliction” in comparison to those things which are eternal (2 Corinthians 4:17-18; cf. Romans 8:18; 1 Peter 1:3-9). How will we respond to life’s many challenges? Hopefully, we’ll respond in the exact same way that the apostle Paul did by truly trusting in the Lord (Philippians 4:6), totally relying on Him for our strength to endure any and all challenges that life confronts us with (Philippians 4:13). Knowing the above, let us therefore “press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 3:14 ESV).

Mike Riley

Offerings That Cost

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.

“And the king said unto Araunah, Nay; but I will verily buy it of thee at a price; neither will I offer burnt-offerings unto Jehovah my God which cost me nothing. So David bought the threshingfloor... “ 2 Samuel 24:24 David, the king of Israel, had sinned grievously against God and His people by proudly numbering the mighty men of his army, in spite of the Lord’s prohibitions. As punishment for this sin, God sent a terrible pestilence upon the land and thousands of the people died. When David realized the gravity and consequences of his actions, he set out to build an altar upon which he would make burnt offerings and peace offerings unto the Lord. In searching for a suitable place for the altar, David approached the threshing floor of Araunah. And when Araunah saw the approach of the king, he graciously sought to donate everything that David might need for his sacrifices. But as kind and generous as this offer was, David rejected it. While the king was willing to pay Araunah for the things he would use for sacrifice, he strongly refused to offer unto God that which had cost him nothing. David understood that it would have been no real sacrifice on his part to offer that which had been freely given to him. He would only offer that which cost him. Wouldn’t it be wonderful if every child of God had this attitude today? Too often we want to get by as cheaply and easily as we possibly can. This is revealed not only in the pittance some contribute, but also in the unwillingness to sacrifice time and energies to work in the kingdom. Some are willing to give a little, work a little, and worship only a little, as long as it doesn’t cost too much. And if some kind modern-day Araunah is willing to do more than his share of the sacrificing, they are happy to be relieved of the cost -- let God have what others give to Him. May we remember that when it costs nothing, that is all it is worth – nothing! Let us be sure that we are offering God true sacrifices

Bob Dickey

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

Sunday Morning Worship

SONG LEADER: Norman Delong

OPENING PRAYER/ SCRIPTURE

READING: Chuck Canteen

PRESIDING: Ron Cullom

SERVING: Justin Ford, Carlos Echeverria, Mike Morakis & Richard Gathright

CLOSING PRAYER: Brett Gray

Sunday Evening Worship

SONG LEADER: Norman Delong

OPENING PRAYER/SCRIPTURE

READING: Joe Lewis

PRESIDING: Jim Rogers

SERVING: Warren Sparks

CLOSING PRAYER: Terry West

Wednesday Bible Study

SONG LEADER: Jim Rogers

OPENING PRAYER: Richard Gathright

CLOSING PRAYER: Jim Bowman



Keep in your prayers...

COCOPB Members

Robin Landen, is still recovering from her stroke.

Monica Sinclair, is going through a very difficult time and needs our prayers.

Helen Quintero, is doing better but continues to need prayers.

Jon Jordan, had a procedure on his neck.

Roberto Naranjo, Has been in pain and need our prayers.

Warren Sparks, is having cataract surgery on March 8th.

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 doing better but continues to need our prayers.

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

Jan Richardson, Marsha Morakis's mother, was diagnosed with stage 1 lung cancer.

Robert Martin, Linda Martin's husband, had a stroke and is home recovering.

Friends of COCOPB Members

Tina Wagner, continues to need our prayers.

Patti Jaquot, a former member, is struggling with her health and needs our prayers.

COCOPB Members Traveling

Mike & Marsha Morakis (Howie-in-The -Hills)

Shut-ins

Jack Lee

Lena Morris



THE PREACHER'S FILES



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“ I do not get up every Sunday morning and decide whether or not to go to church. I made that decision 50 Years ago.”

– Gus Nichols

FOOD FOR THOUGHT:

Don't let someone who didn't die for you affect how you worship someone who did.

GEMS FROM GREEK

merimnao (Verb). Gr. μεριμνάω

“To be anxious about, worried about a particular object or situation.”

In Matt. 6:25 Jesus stated “take not thought for your life, what you shall eat or drink.”

Jesus was not saying we are never to think about our physical needs. The phrase “take no thought” comes from Merimnao - “do not be anxious about your life.” “Be careful for nothing” in Phil. 4:6 it is translated from this same word.

PEARLS FROM PROVERBS

“A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold.”

Prov. 22:1

WEEKLY BIBLE READING

Mar. 6th	Isa. 56:9-58	2 Tim. 2
7th	59-60	3
8th	61-63	4
9th	64-66	John. 1:1-18
10th	Micah. 1-3	1:19-51
11th	4-5	2:1-22
12th	6-7	2:23-3:21

By following this schedule, you will be able to read the entire Bible in a year.

NEWS & NOTES

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

CHARLES VAUGHN 3/7

SARA FORD 3/7

OLGA DE LA ROSA 3/8

MELVA POLLARD 3/18

DON BRADBURY 3/25

ANNIVERSARIES

NONE

ATTENDANCE Feb.27th

Sun. Bible Study: 25

Sun. A.M. 62

Sun. P.M. 30

Wed. Bible Study: 30

Contribution: \$4,891.73

Weekly Budget: \$4,147.00

Variance: +744.73

TODAY'S SERMONS

AM: "FOUR TYPES OF SOIL:
SHALLOW GROUND"

PM: "THE 400 SILENT
YEARS"



If you are enrolled in our text service to receive scheduled worship serving texts, **please respond your availability to the text!** It is very important for us to have the knowledge of who will be unable and able to serve! Thank you.



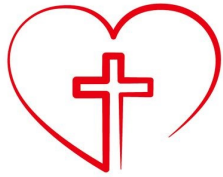
The Hungering for truth gospel series at **Palm Beach Lakes Church of Christ** will be starting this month on March 6th —March 9th! You can find more information on the bulletin board in the foyer.



The pantry is in no need of any items at the moment! Thank you for your donations!



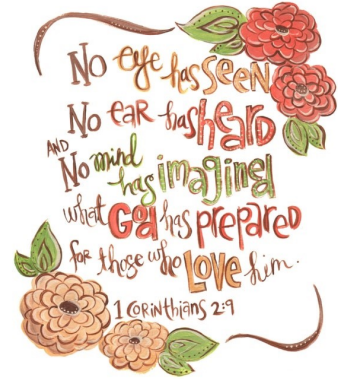
Don't Forget the board nomination date has changed from March 6th,2022 to **March 13th,2022!** Thank you for participating in this years board nomination!



I am a Newcomer Won't you please

Smile at me as I walk in the door. You are my first impression of the church, during the first few moments I am in your building, and this first impression will probably stay with me a long time. Help me find my place in the service. I will not find your help an intrusion. In fact, I will remember your kindness. Speak to me during the after-service fellowship time. I know you want to see your friends, but I may find it hard to believe that you truly care for each other unless I first see evidence that you care for the stranger in your midst. Tell me good things about the church, your elders, deacons, and ministers. I want to believe that I have come to a place where people love each other and where they believe that they are doing something exciting and important for the Lord. Notice me even if I am not family. I do not want to feel invisible just because I am unmarried, a single parent, a teenager, or an older person. Talk to me again the second week when I come back and the third and fourth. I am still not a part of your church family. Invite me to become a part of some church activity or small group. I need more contact with the church family.

Author Unknown



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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