

09.25.2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS, REMINDERS AND EVENTS

Today -- Adult Ed and Sunday School Classes resume today. Children will meet in the education wing upstairs. The adults will meet with Pastor Jim in the fellowship hall.

Fall Small Group Bible Studies -- Small groups are organizing now for the fall. Take note of group times and places and consider plugging into one. You'll be glad you did!

Tijuana Missions Trip -- November 19-26. Contact Bill King if you are interested in joining the group going to Mexico in November. Mark your calendar now for a fundraiser for this group on October 23 -- a **Fiesta lunch** and a **Silent Auction**.

Ladies -- 5th Annual "Ladies Alive" Retreat, Saturday, November 12, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Coldwater. There's more information in the lobby or go to www.ladies-alive.org.

Church Library -- Check out the new selections of books from the library on the display rack in the lobby. The library is located up the stairs at the end of the hall.

For the parents of our little ones: There is a room behind the sanctuary (where you can hear and see the service) for parents of restless toddlers. The nursery (up the stairs, first door on the left) is also open and the service can be viewed there.

"Strings for Life" Awareness Concert -- Friday, September 30 at 6:30 p.m. at the Sturges -Young Center for the Arts. Free to the public. Pick up a flier in the lobby for more information.

Ways to Give: Offering plates are in the lobby. Donations can be made online by going to bethelgilead.org (Donate tab), or by scanning the QR code to the left and using PayPal. You can authorize a monthly debit from your bank account by completing a form (in the lobby)



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Be the Church

Live the Life

Extend the Kingdom

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Opening Worship: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing -- Hymn 2
This is My Father's World -- Hymn 58
Revelation Song
Build My Life

HANDLE WITH CARE

([1 Chronicles 12:32](#))

Introduction: RADICAL ENVIRONMENTALISM AND POPULATION CONTROL

I. The Ecology Movement.....The Problem of Pollution

The Problem of People (Too many!)

1798	Thomas Malthus	1974	World Population Conference
1952	The Population Council	1988	International Panel on Climate Change
1958	The Draper Committee Report	1991	Gates Foundation
1966	U.S. Agency for International Development		
1968	The Population Bomb (Paul Erlich)	2005	Clinton Global Initiative (CGI)
1970	Earth Day Established	2006	Better Never to Have Been (David Benatar)
1971	World Economic Forum	2017	UN Conference on Population

Statistics

II. Population Control

- 1859 Origin of the Species (Charles Darwin)
- 1883 Eugenics (Frances Galton)
- 1920 Planned Parenthood (Margaret Sanger)
- 1972 Roe v. Wade
- Carrying Capacity (Edward Wilson) 2016 Half Earth
- Thinning the Herd

Birth Control	Euthanasia	Starvation
Abortion	Natural Disasters	War
Sterilization	Disease	Bio Weapons

III. Decreasing Fertility Rates and "Population Collapse"

Replacement Rate = 2.1
183 nations

IV. Worldview Wars: Naturalism vs. Theism

In the beginning God.....([Genesis 1:1](#))

The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof....([Psalm 24:1](#))

Be fruitful, multiply, fill the earth and subdue it... ([Genesis 1:28](#))

The Noaic Covenant ([Genesis 8:22](#))

V. A Balanced Approach: Biblical Stewardship

It is required of a steward that he be found faithful ([1 Corinthians 4:2](#))

Test everything. Hold on to what is good ([1 Thessalonians 5:21](#))

Do not fear what they fear.....([1 Peter 3:14-15](#))

SHARE THE HOPE!

Live the Life with Prayer

Recent additions

Mary Ellyn Turner -- cataract surgery on 9/26
Al Miller - recurrence of cancer
Heather -- member of God's Choice, being treated for bone cancer
Lynn Mayer -- dealing with double vision

Praises

Bruce Kaufman -- recovering from surgery
Jonas Rigg -- recovering from hernia surgery
Norm Carpenter -- recovering from surgery and cancer free
Numerous members recently recovered from Covid

Continue to Remember Those in Need

Dawn Lane -- breast cancer
Don Rubley -- bladder cancer
Joyce Byler -- cancer
Tom Schoenherr -- bladder concerns
The Carpenter Family
Dale Davis -- dialysis and chemo treatments
Russ Heckathorn -- struggling with lung cancer
Lisa Franks -- pain management

Remember Our Homebound/Shut In Members

Norita Skinner -- Maple Lawn
Neil Hannah -- at home on hospice
Betty Carpenter -- Laurels

Pray for our nation and the world during these uncertain days

Our Mission

"We honor God through regularly assembling together to worship Him as Lord,
study and obey His word, and attend to the needs of His people.
When we leave, we go out commissioned as Christ's representatives
to a needy world."