

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

TODAY *Welcome Visitors. We are glad that you chose to join us for today's worship service. Please let us know if we can pray for you or be a help in any way.*

MINNET Meeting—

Today during Sunday School hour. Committee chairs and members please plan on attending. Sunday School will resume on Sunday, January 15.

MANY THANKS

Thank you —

Because of your generosity at the end of 2016, \$773.46 was collected for the Baby Bottle Campaign for *Beginnings Care for Life Center*. Thanks to Ronda Falknor for helping with this project.

Also because of your generosity, we were able to donate \$500.00 to *Tommy's House*, the new transitional home in Coldwater for women coming out of jail in Branch County.

Thank you for everyone who gave to these local ministries.

NEXT WEEK

“The Call” continues —

Community-wide time of prayer January 15, 2017 at 6 PM at First Baptist Church in Coldwater. Plan now on attending.

PLEASE NOTE

Recipe Book—

The Youth Group is looking for some great recipes for their upcoming recipe book. Please give them to Ronda or Bethany Falknor.

In Case of Inclement Weather—

Church closing announcements will be made on WTVB, by email or on the church website, www.bethelgilead.org by 8 AM

Church Calendar—

The calendar for January is available in the Narthex. Let the office know of items to be placed on the calendar for February. It will be made available at the end of January.

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JANUARY 8, 2017

SERVICE: 9:35 AM

JUNIOR CHURCH: 10:10 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 11 AM

ADULT ED CLASSES: 11 AM



MISSION STATEMENT

"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."

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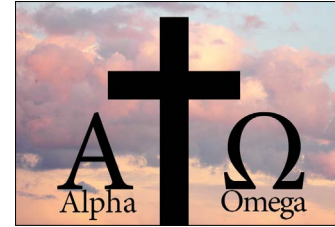
JANUARY 8, 2017

OFFERING PRAYER..... Paul Alger
GREETERS..... Steve and Jen Byler
NURSERYLinda Penn
SOUND ROOM.....Kenny Bennett, Brian Eley

ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE

WELCOME David Minard
OPENING WORSHIP Jim Erwin
Spirit Song..... Maranatha
Search Me O God..... Psalm 139:23-24
May the Name of the Lord Be Praised..... Job 1:21
OFFERING..... Paul Alger
SPECIAL MUSIC..... Melissa Houtz
JUNIOR CHURCH (TODDLERS-GRADE 5) Dismissal
MESSAGE..... Jim Erwin
May the Name of the Lord Be Praised..... Reprise

*New Year blessings
to you and yours!*



GOD'S STORY

JOB

Why do bad things happen to good people?

THE BOOK OF JOB: THE PROBLEM OF PAIN

Prologue ([Job 1-2](#)) Job put to the test
Dialogues ([Job 3-37](#)) Job consoled by friends
Epilogue ([Job 38-42](#)) Job confronted by God

* Key Verse ([Job 19:23-27](#))

I. AT ISSUE: WHY SERVE GOD?

- Pure and impure motives ([Job 1:9-11](#))
- Job's response = integrity ([Job 1:20-22; 2:3,9-10](#))
- "Even though he slay me, yet will I trust him." ([Job 13:15](#))

II. HUMAN LOGIC: CAUSE AND EFFECT

- Eliphaz ([Job 4:1-8](#)) The Voice of Experience
- Bildad ([Job 8:1-10](#)) The Voice of Tradition
- Zophar ([Job 11:1-6](#)) The Voice of Reason
- Elihu ([Job 34:5-10](#)) In Defense of God

III. DIVINE INTERVENTION

- Words without knowledge ([Job 38:1-3](#))
- Would you challenge God? ([Job 40:1-2, 6-8](#))

IV. REPENTANCE AND RESTORATION

God alone has power over everything. I have very little power over anything!

([Job 40:4-5; 42:1-6](#))

"I repent" ([Job 42:6](#))

Restoration follows repentance ([Job 42:7-16](#))

OBSERVATIONS

1. Life in a fallen world includes suffering ([John 16:33](#))
2. Don't underestimate the devil's doings! ([John 10:10](#))
3. God can work together for good in all things. ([Romans 8:28](#))
4. Trials always test trust! ([James 1:2-4](#))
5. Suffering weans us from the temporal to the transcendent. ([Romans 8:18](#))



A Call to Prayer

Recent additions

- *Marcia Wilcox* -- sudden death of her brother, Karl
- *Cathern Burnside* -- hospitalized with pneumonia and stroke.
- *Farrell Family* -- recent death of Mike.
- *Wanda DeBolt* — hematoma on leg from two falls
- *Lee Bidwell and family* - loss of her father.
- *Chuck Shimp* is recovering from emergency gall bladder surgery.
- *Sherry McNees* is recuperating from surgery to remove her kidney.
- *Mary Jo Evans* — injection for back and leg pain
- *The family of Barry Hyliard.*
- *Paul Alger* has been diagnosed with prostate cancer and is praying about treatment options.
- *Ron Will* is recovering from his third surgery for a torn retina. Kathy continues to have foot problems.
- *Danielle Howe's* three-year old niece, *Alea*, is suspected of having a tumor. More tests are scheduled.
- *Sherie Ashley Ward* has kidney problems
- *Bill Long*, Tim's grandfather has health issues.

Continue to remember those in need:

- *The Kenneth Bennett, Sr. Family*
- *The family of Mary McGuire.*
- *Carmel Roberts* is battling infection and needs prayers for healing.
- *Bob Mayer* slow and steady recovery
- *Vicki Tappman* is undergoing Chemo treatments for breast cancer.
- *Martha Pauliukitis* is home. Her original diagnosis of pancreatic cancer has been changed to a non-cancerous cyst on the pancreas.
- *Shirley Bogen* is at Drews Place room #17.
- *Rick Wilcox* - Alzheimer's, failing health.
- *The family of Albert Zabolsky* a friend of Melissa Houtz.

January 8, 2017

JANUARY 1 - JANUARY 29: *Live. Grow. Serve.*

	<u>Worship Leader</u>	<u>Special Music</u>	<u>Giving Thanks</u>	<u>Musician</u>	<u>Tech. Support</u>
<u>Jan. 1</u>	<i>Rick Hollister</i>	<i>Donna Green</i>	<i>Solano deAraujo</i>	<i>Mary Butters</i>	<i>Scott Carpenter</i>
<u>Jan. 8</u>	<i>Jim Erwin</i>	<i>Melissa Houtz</i>	<i>Paul Alger</i>	<i>Lorinda Ratkowski</i>	<i>Brian Eley</i>
<u>Jan. 15</u>	<i>Praise Team</i>	<i>Mission Moment</i>	<i>Jim Wickey</i>	<i>Youth</i>	<i>Frank Cabrera</i>
<u>Jan. 22</u>	<i>Tim Butters</i>	<i>Mary Butters</i>	<i>Frank Cabrera</i>	<i>Mary Butters</i>	<i>Scott Carpenter</i>
<u>Jan. 29</u>	<i>Sharon McMeen</i>	<i>Heather Lytle</i>	<i>Solano deAraujo</i>	<i>Melissa Houtz</i>	<i>Brian Eley</i>

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	<u>Welcome Team</u>	<u>Nursery, Helper</u>	<u>Jr. Church Helper</u>
<u>Jan. 1</u>	<i>Frank and Flo Cabrera</i>	<i>Church Shanda Carpenter Anna Mae Wickey</i>	<i>Toddler Jennie deAraujo Grades 1-5 D. Minard, M. Ward</i>
<u>Jan. 8</u>	<i>Steve and Jennifer Byler</i>	<i>Church Linda Penn</i>	<i>Toddler Jennie deAraujo Grades 1-5 D. Minard, M. Ward</i>
<u>Jan. 15</u>		<i>Church Kristi Long Zarian McMeen</i>	<i>Toddler Jennie deAraujo Grades 1-5 D. Minard, M. Ward</i>
		<i>Sunday School Char Kaufman</i>	
<u>Jan. 22</u>		<i>Church Laura Jury Deb Springer</i>	<i>Toddler Jennie deAraujo Grades 1-5 D. Minard, M. Ward</i>
		<i>Sunday School Lorinda Ratkowski</i>	
<u>Jan. 29</u>	<i>Kerry and Elise Skinner</i>	<i>Church Bridget Mayer Sherry Neesley</i>	<i>Toddler Jennie deAraujo Grades 1-5 D. Minard, M. Ward</i>
		<i>Sunday School Sherry Neesley</i>	