

May 2, 2024

FAITH IS THE VICTORY

Legend has it that a man was lost in the desert, just dying for a drink of water. He stumbled upon an old shack. It was a windowless, roofless, weather-beaten old shack. He looked about this place and found a little shade from the heat of the desert sun. As he glanced around he saw an old rusty water pump about 15 feet away. Maybe it would yield fresh, cool water from down deep in the well. All the water he wanted. Beside the pump he saw an old jug. There was an old faded note on the jug that said “pour this jug of water in the pump to prime it and the pump will bring fresh water”. He studied the possibility of both options, what should he do? Pour it into the old pump and take a chance on fresh, cool water or drink what is in the old jug and ignore the message. Should he waste all the water on the hopes of those flimsy instructions written no telling how long ago? Reluctantly, he poured all the water into the pump. Then he grabbed the handle and began to pump. Still nothing came out. He continued to pump. Finally a little stream came out followed by a gushing amount of cool fresh water. Eagerly he filled the jug and drank from it. He filled it another time once again and drank it’s refreshing content. Then he filled the jug for the next traveler and put the cork back on. Before he left he added this little note: “believe me, it really works. You have to give it all before you can get anything back!”

Our faith in God and his word is the same way. Sometimes we are afraid that we may put all we have into something and not get anything back. We are afraid to put our faith in a book that was written no telling how long ago. However we must give everything to be able to receive anything back. We must fight with all the energy and strength we have to lay hold of eternal life. **1 Timothy 6:12** says, “Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.” If we want to take hold of eternal life, then we must be fighting. We

can also look in **James 1**, he tells us to be prepared to have our faith tested and to be willing to suffer. Sometimes our faith will be tested but if we put all of our faith into the Word of God then our faith will be the victory.

I am always amazed when I read through the Old Testament, and in **Hebrews 11**, when it comes to how much faith that some men had. Think about Job who lost everything and never lost faith in God. There is also Abraham who left his home, land, and pretty much everything he knew to follow God. I would consider myself a firm believer in God, but I would find it hard to leave everything that I know to go somewhere I have never been. Another person who had tremendous faith was Noah. Can you imagine what Noah went through when he was building the ark and there wasn’t a cloud in the sky? Because of the endless faith in God these men became victorious in the end and we, like them, will be victorious if we keep the faith. As **1 John 5:4** says, “For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.” As long as our faith is strong, we can do wonderful things. We can truly be a light to the world. (**Matthew 5:14-16**)

Andrew Spivey
(from April 30,2020—Bulletin)

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS will be held **June 2 - 5, 2024**. Please mark your calendars for those dates. More information will follow on theme and time schedule. *We already have enough donations for the snacks. Thank you to everyone that gave. What a blessing!*

SENIOR GROUP

The Senior Group will meet on **Thursday May 16th at 5:00 pm**. Please bring finger foods and drinks.

**NEXT LADIES BIBLE CLASS IS
TUESDAY MAY 14, at 6:30pm**

COORDINATED BIBLE CLASS STUDIES

Sunday Read – 1 Timothy 5 & 6
Wednesday Read – Titus 1-3



Questions for last week's reading of;

Timothy 1- 4.

Questions:

1. How does Jesus mediate between us and God?
2. Name the qualifications for an elder.
3. Describe the qualities of a deacon and his wife.
4. How can we train to be godly?
5. How can young people be an example to others?

GRADUATE BULLETIN

If you have a student or students that will be graduating from high school, college or technical school at **any time** during **2024** (January-December), please provide the office with a picture, their name, the school they attended, future plans to further their education or work. You may bring a picture with their information and give to the office or email the office at secnashroad@comcast.net with a picture and information. Please have these turned in by May 26th for this year's graduate bulletin.

THANK YOU

I want to thank everyone at Nashville Rd for all the prayers and cards that have been sent my way. You don't know how much that it means till you are on the receiving end. We Love you all,

Jerry & Pat Watson

*I WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills,
from whence cometh my help. My help
cometh from the LORD, which made
heaven and earth.
Psalm 121:1-2*

ORDER OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

May 5, 2024

9:00 AM

BIBLE STUDY

(Classes for Nursery – High School upstairs)

Song.....Matt Ellis
Opening Prayer.....Carl Newby
Auditorium Lesson.....Andrew Spivey

10:00 AM SERVICE

Welcome.....Rick Gallagher
Scripture Reading.....Mike Lyle
Song Leader.....Matt Ellis
Opening Prayer.....Bob Brown
Lord's Supper.....Ken Veale
Servers.....C. Suddarth, B. Sever, A. Williamson
M. Coley, Z Tooley, J. Sever

Sermon.....Andrew Spivey
Closing Prayer.....Tim Strickland

5:00 PM SERVICE

Welcome.....Rick Gallagher
Song Leader.....Matt Ellis
Opening Prayer.....Garrett Rowlett
Sermon.....Andrew Spivey
Lord's Supper.....Jonathan Senn
Closing Prayer.....Brent Smith

WEDNESDAY

May 8, 2024

7:00 PM

Welcome.....Rick Gallagher
Song Leader.....Matt Ellis
Opening Prayer.....Jim Cherry
Lesson.....Andrew Spivey
Closing Prayer.....David Johnson

Ushers for May.....Robert Buck & Lowell Clark
Communion Care for May.....David Johnson

Door Greeters – West Door.....C& P Newby
East Door.....L & J Clark
Visitor's Desk Volunteer.....Julie Cummins

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study 9:00 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship 5:00 p.m. - Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

SICK LIST

Sara Hosman is home now and recovering from surgery. **Ann Tyler** is now at NHC. **David Williams** is home and doing better. **Janice Johnson** is home now. **Pat Crump** cancer has returned and is having more tests done. **Faye Hart** had back surgery. Faye is now home. **JoAnn Williamson** is home and doing better. **Ottis Cothron** had abdominal surgery and is home doing better. **Pat Watson**, former member, health issues. **Virginia Long**, sister of Gary Stallcup, has a parathyroid illness and is bedridden. **Paul Gruber** neighbor of Bob & Sherry Sever has been diagnosed with bladder cancer. He is now undergoing a new drug therapy for the next few months. **Larry Bailey**, son of Tina Bailey a former member, has been diagnosed with liver cancer and had surgery on May 2nd to remove tumors.



PRAYER LIST

James & Mary Spivey; Ottis Cothron; Sara Hosman; Anita Cato; Shauna Lockett; Tony Perry; Jean Knowles; Zach Tooley; Mary Ann Reinhart; Shelby Ross; Sandi Jones; Lena Baggett; Maxine Cothron; Frances Catron; Charlie Cliburn; Heather Lemley daughter of Michael & Cathy Lemley. **Elaine Reynolds**, friend of Christie Coleman; **Alan Greene**, nephew of Carl & Pam Newby; **Bethany Shoulders**, granddaughter of Evelyn Harris; **Samantha Hager**, friend of June Thompson; **Bryan Grissom** cousin to Joyce Clark & Robbie Glover; **Vycki Puckett**, daughter of Jack & Anita Cato; **Ty Tyler** son of Ann Tyler; **Wade Kennedy** father of Diana Stephenson; **Ida Lou Sherrill**, mother of Alex Sherrill; **Taylor Lackford**, niece of Brenda Veale; **Dustin Lackford**, nephew of Brenda Veale; **Larry Conley**, friend of Wanda Proctor; **Harold Cole**, friend of Lena Baggett; **Bobbie Carter**, sister of Janice Johnson; **Walter Wooten**, brother of Wanda Sherrill; **Aza Topik**, grandson of Charlie & Wanda Seals.

SHUT-INS

Melba Hill; Jean Deaton;
Jane Hughes, 126 Seabury Dr., Greenville, SC 29615.

We depend on families and friends to help us update this list. Please notify us of any changes.

OUR RECORD THIS WEEK

Bible Study.....	84
Morning Worship.....	128
Sunday Evening.....	66
Wednesday Evening.....	74
Contribution.....	\$7,070.00
Youth Group Account.....	\$2,996.00

Elders

Tony Butler.....	615-452-0560
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David Johnson.....	615-300-9084
Alex Sherrill.....	615-289-9935
David Thompson.....	615-598-6621

Deacons

Carl Newby	Jonathan Senn	Brent Smith
Eric Stephenson	Adam Williamson	

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