Schedule of Events

Outdoor meeting/VBS June 10th-15th

Think on These Things

Philippians 4:8

and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.

Ephesians 4:23-24 NKJV

Our Family News

Pray for / Danesa Nicholson, Emily Hatley, Alice and Paul Stone, Ralph Campbell, for the church family and continued evangelistic efforts, remember it is not one person's responsibility but ALL faithful members responsibility to share the gospel

Today's Scripture

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

Ephesians 4:4-6 NKJV

Wisdom for Today

Most men will proclaim each his own goodness, But who can find a faithful man? The righteous man walks in his integrity; His children are blessed after him.

Proverbs 20:6-7 NKJV

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God's Plan of Salvation

Hear Romans 10:17 Believe Mark 16:16, Hebrews 11:1-6 Repent Acts 2:38, II Corinthians 7:10 Confess Romans 10:9-10, Matt 10:32-33 Be Baptized Mark 16:16, Acts 22:16 Remain Faithful Matt 24:13, Rev 2:10, James 1:12

'For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth..."

Come join us!

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Radio Programs on KMBQ 99.7 "Searching the Scriptures" Our weekly radio program on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM.

Meeting Times

Sunday	
Bible Classes	10AM
AM Worship	11 AM
PM Worship	5PM

Wednesday Bible Study 7PM

Office Hours Call or check website

AM Sermon / George Jensen PM Sermon / George Jensen

Evangelist

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Visitors always welcome; Members expected

"I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

Finding Encouragement

By Joe Murdock

It is very easy to find ourselves focusing on the negative. In fact, it seems that no effort is needed to find bad news. You can turn on the news, look at social media or even listen to the radio. Just writing about the ease of finding negative information is causing me to feel bad. However, with just a little effort it does not take long to find encouragement. We just have to be willing to find and appreciate it.

Finding encouragement can come in simple gestures. We get so caught up in expecting some grand scenario to bring encouragement when all we might need to do is look at our family, look outside, or most importantly open our bibles. When I see my wife and kids, I thank God for blessing me with a wonderful family. Looking outside I am reminded of the great power and creativity of the Almighty Creator. When opening my bible, I am encouraged to read about the great love our Savior has for us. Remember it does not take much to be encouraged, we just have to be willing to find it.

Here are a couple passages that help encourage me when I start to think negatively or feel discouraged.

Colossians 3:1-4 NKJV "If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory." For those who are in Christ we can keep our minds set on things above, that is heavenly things. With that mindset we can look forward to the coming of Christ. What a splendid blessing!

John 10:27-30 NKJV "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand. I and My Father are one." Following after the voice of our Lord can bring us great assurance. This following is not just hearing the words of Jesus but living by the words of Jesus. With that we have eternal life. Why because the Father and the Son are one, and God cannot lie!

Philippians 4:6-8 NKJV "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things." How easily we find ourselves distracted and focusing on the negative. But friends not ALL things are negative IF you focus on Christ! Yes, life can have some challenges. Life can have problems and difficulties. However, we can still be encouraged by meditating on the things that are true, noble, just, pure, lovely and of good report.

When we take the time to be in bible study and prayer, our attitude can quickly become positive. So often we will try and look for some specific event to find encouragement, all the while we miss the greatest encouragement at our very finger tips. The word of God can and will provide the encouragement we need when negativity surrounds us. Are you missing the wonderful blessing of encouragement that comes from the Bible. If so, there is no better day than today to pick your Bible reading back up. You will find the encouragement you need!

